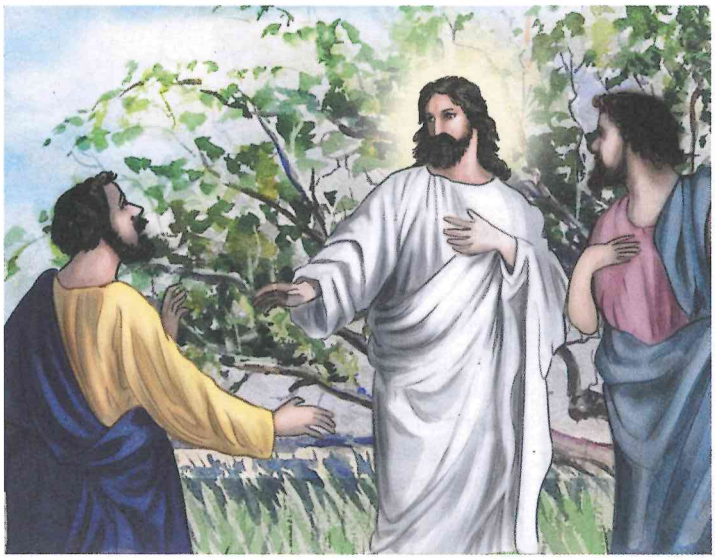


ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.

COLLECT

May your grace, O Lord, we pray,
at all times go before us and follow after
and make us always determined
to carry out good works.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.
'The Lord will make a feast, and he will wipe away tears from all faces.' *25:6-10a*

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death for ever; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, 'Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.' For the hand of the LORD will rest on this mountain.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL. PSALM

Ps. 23(22)

In the LORD's own house shall I dwell
for length of days unending.

The LORD is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me;
he revives my soul. **R.**

He guides me along the right path,
for the sake of his name.
Though I should walk in the valley of the shadow of death,
no evil would I fear, for you are with me.
Your crook and your staff will give me comfort. **R.**

You have prepared a table before me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **R.**

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the LORD's own house shall I dwell
for length of days unending. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians.
'I can do all things through him who strengthens me.' *4:12-14, 19-20*

Brothers and sisters: I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me. Yet it was kind of you to share my trouble. And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia.
May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
enlighten the eyes of our hearts,
so that we may know the hope to which he has called us.
Alleluia.

GOSPEL

*(Shorter form between *)*

The Lord be with you.
And with your Spirit.
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.
'Invite to the wedding feast as many as you find.' *22:1-14*

At that time: Jesus again spoke to the chief priests and the elders of the people, in parables, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son, and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, "Tell those who are invited, 'See, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding feast.'" But they paid no attention and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding feast is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the main roads and invite to the wedding feast as many as you find." And those servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good. So the wedding hall was filled with guests. 'But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment. And he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?" And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and cast him into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful
with the sacrificial offerings,
that, through these acts of devotedness,
we may pass over to the glory of heaven.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

ANTIPHON AT COMMUNION

The rich suffer want and go hungry,
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We entreat your majesty most humbly, O Lord,
that, as you feed us with the nourishment
which comes from the most holy Body and Blood of your Son,
so you may make us sharers of his divine nature.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK		
Sat 10th	4.00 pm	Mary C & John Lyons RIP
Sun 11th	10.30 am	Society of Divine Vocations
Mon 12th		**NO MASS**
Tues 13th	9.30 am	Mick & Astrid Mooney RIP
Wed 14th	9.45 am	Aidan Lawless RIP with St Bernadette's School (Harvest Mass)
Thurs 15th	10.30 am	Joe Reams RIP with Holy Family School (Harvest Mass)
Fri 16th	10.30 am	Paul & Cyril Costello RIP
Sat 17th	4.00 pm	Mary Savage RIP
Sun 18th	10.30 am	Patricia Mooney RIP

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: £379.90
SECOND COLLECTION: £175.38 (CAFOD)

11th October 2026: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FEASTS:

Monday	St Wilfrid
Tuesday	St Edward the Confessor
Wednesday	St Callistus 1, Pope
Thursday	St Theresa of Avila
Friday	St Margaret Mary Alacoque
Saturday	St Ignatius of Antioch
Sunday	**29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Adoration & Confession: Tuesday & Thursday (9.30 am – 10.20 am)
Altar Lamp – Peace in the World
Our Lady's Lamp – Tom Egan & Barrett Family Deceased

RECENTLY DEAD: Catherine Ferguson RIP. Requiem Mass Tuesday 20th October at 11.00 am.
Vincent Quinn RIP. Requiem Mass Friday 30th October at 10.15 am.

ANNIVERSARIES: Joseph O'Keeffe, Angelina Keating. Francis Black, Elizabeth carpenter, William McDonnell, Desmond White, Paul Murphy, Margaret arker, Arthur Dowling, Bridget Baker, Sean Coughlan, Herbert Abbott, Alexander Moore, Annie O'Brien, Christopher McAree, Esther Ali, John McGettigan, Declan Savage, Beatrice Shrawley, John Donovan, Patrick McGrady, Jeremiah Kavanagh, Brian Leek, John Chadwick, Robert Munce, Frank O'Looney, Jean Ryan, Noel Murphy, Rosemary Morrissey, Patrick Carton, Antonio Vanacore, Patrick Duggan.

SICK LIST: Anselm John Baptiste, Fr Morty O'Shea, John Garvey, Cath McGrath, Amie Faulkner, Clare Bergin, John Leo Daly, Fr Michael White, Everly Arnold, Eileen Carter, Dennis Moloney, Josephine Mary Doyle, Eddie Dunne.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER: For mental health ministry. Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.
SECOND COLLECTION: Society of Divine Vocations (Mission Appeal). **NEXT WEEKEND:** APF World Mission Sunday
ST THOMAS MORE'S: Afternoon Tea on Sunday 18th October 2026 at 2.00 pm. Tickets £12.00. Please contact Edel on 07836 704178 for tickets.
RCIA PROGRAMME: If you are enquiring about the Catholic faith or know someone interested in this programme, please see Father Fretch. Thank you.
DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: Our annual Bazaar will take place on Saturday 5th December 2026 in Holy Family School Hall.
FOR THOSE DISCERNING GOD'S CALL – Visit the National Office for Vocations at www.ukvocation.org or www.religiouslife.org or www.ukpriest.org

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Divine Jesus, Son of the eternal Father and Mary Immaculate, grant us and all the faithful true generosity in following your call and bestow on us the grace of your Holy Spirit to persevere in overcoming all obstacles to our vocations. Give the Church in this Diocese and throughout the world many holy priests, fervent religious and committed lay people. Through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, all the Angels, Saint Justin, and all Saints, we humbly ask you to hear our prayers and multiply the ministries by which we may serve You and one another in faith and love. Amen

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

"O my God and my all, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, may your will be done, your love reign, your glory shine always more in me and everyone as in yourself, O my God and my all." (Saint Justin Russolillo, SDV)

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