



## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established,  
and there is none that can resist your will.  
For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth,  
and all that is held within the circle of heaven;  
you are the Lord of all.

## COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God,  
who in the abundance of your kindness  
surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you,  
pour out your mercy upon us  
to pardon what conscience dreads  
and to give what prayer does not dare to ask.  
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 Habakkuk.

*'The righteous shall live by his faith.'*

1:2-3, 2:2-4

O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear? Or cry to you 'Violence!' and you will not save? Why do you make me see iniquity, and why do you idly look at wrong? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. And the LORD answered me: 'Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it. For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end — it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. 'Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him, but the righteous shall live by his faith.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

O that today you would listen to his voice!  
'Harden not your hearts.'

Come, let us ring out our joy to the Lord;  
hail the rock who saves us.  
Let us come into his presence, giving thanks;  
let us hail him with a song of praise. R.

O come; let us bow and bend low.  
Let us kneel before the Lord who made us,  
for he is our God, and we the people,  
the people of his pasture, the flock of his hand. R.

O that today you would listen to his voice!  
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,  
as on that day at Massah in the desert  
when your forebears put me to the test;  
when they tried me, though they saw my work.' R.

## SECOND READING

A reading from the Second Letter of St Paul to Timothy.  
'Do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord'

1:6-8, 13-14

Beloved: I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, for God gave us a spirit not of fear, but of power and love and self-control. Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God,

Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia.

The word of the Lord remains for ever  
and this word is the good news that was preached to you.  
Alleluia.

## GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.

And with your Spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

*'If you had faith.'*

17: 5-19

At that time: The Apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!' And the Lord said, 'If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you. 'Will any one of you who has a servant ploughing or keeping sheep say to him when he has come in from the field, "Come at once and recline at table"? Will he not rather say to him, "Prepare supper for me, and dress properly, and serve me while I eat and drink, and afterwards you will eat and drink"? Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, "We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, we pray,  
the sacrifices instituted by your commands  
and, through the sacred mysteries,  
which we celebrate with dutiful service,  
graciously complete the sanctifying work  
by which you are pleased to redeem us.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## ANTIPHON AT COMMUNION

The Lord is good to those who hope in him,  
to the soul that seeks him.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant us, almighty God,  
that we may be refreshed and nourished  
by the Sacrament which we have received,  
so as to be transformed into what we consume.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



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MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sat 4 <sup>th</sup>	4.00 pm	Bridget Corcoran & Mick Connolly RIP	<b>5<sup>th</sup> October 2025: 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>  <b>FEASTS :</b> Tuesday      Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Thursday      St John Henry Newman Saturday      St John XXIII, Pope Sunday      28 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  <b>Adoration &amp; Confession:</b> Tuesday & Thursday (9.30 am – 10.20 am)  <b>Altar Lamp</b> – Mary Ita Murphy RIP <b>Our Lady's Lamp</b> – People of the Parish
Sun 5 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Elizabeth McCaffrey (Anniversary)	
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup>	9.15 am	People of the Parish	
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Maria Dela Cruz	
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Elena Walsh RIP	
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Catherine & Alex McDonald RIP (Birthday)	
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Ann Hackett (Get Well)	
Sat 11 <sup>th</sup>	4.00 pm	Theresa & Alec Fullerton & Alec Jr (Anniversary)	
Sun 12 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Brigid & Hughie Reel (RIP)	
<b>OFFERTORY COLLECTION:</b> £571.66 <b>SECOND COLLECTION:</b> £169.07 (Father Hudson's)			

**RECENTLY DEAD:** Geraldine Walsh RIP. Requiem Mass on Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025, 12.00 noon.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Mary Ita Murphy, Rosa Gibbs, Cathal O'Reilly, Joseph Thompson, Nicholas Doyle, Sandra Matthews, Cathrine O'Brien, Ada Morrill, Teresa Bryan, Colin Stafford, Christina Madden, John Scully, Lil Kavanagh, Lawrence Balfe, Leonard McCauley, Nelson Blay, Florence Bodecott, Ann Corcoran, Matthew Creegan, Angela McDonald, Michael Smith, Joseph O'Keeffe, Angelina Keating, Francis Black, Elizabeth McDonnell, Desmond White, Paul Murphy.

**SICK LIST:** Anselm John Baptiste, Jim Deards, Fr Morty O'Shea, John Garvey, Cath McGrath, Amie Faulkner, Clare Bergin, Mary Bergin, Tommy Flynn, John Leo Daly, Fr Michael White, Everly Arnold, Pete McManamon, Mary McManamon.

**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER 2025:** For our relationship with all of creation: Let us pray that, inspired by St Francis, we may experience our interdependence with all creatures, which are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

**SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND:** Harvest Fast (CAFOD). **NEXT WEEK:** PACT

**RCIA PROGRAMME:** We hope to commence this programme on the 21<sup>st</sup> of October at 5.00 pm. If you are enquiring about the Catholic faith or know someone interested in this programme, please see Father Fretch. Thank you.

**FOR THOSE DISCERNING GOD'S CALL** – Visit the National Office for Vocations at [www.ukvocation.org](http://www.ukvocation.org) or [www.religiouslife.org](http://www.religiouslife.org) or [www.ukpriest.org](http://www.ukpriest.org)

**PACT:** This weekend, Elizabeth McDonald of the Catholic Women's League will speak at all Masses about their support for the Prison Advice Care Trust and how our Parish can help.

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:** Annual Bazaar, Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2025, 12.00 – 2.00 pm.

**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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