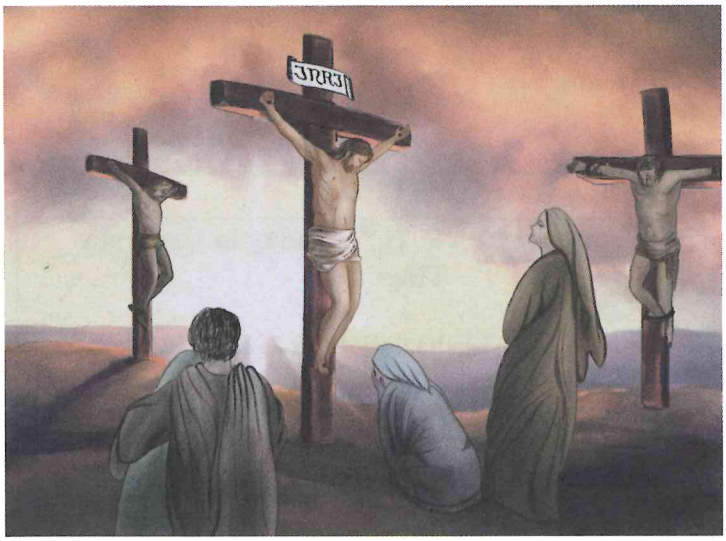


ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All that you have done to us, O Lord,
you have done with true judgement,
for we have sinned against you
and not obeyed your commandments.
But give glory to your name
and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

COLLECT

O God, who manifest your almighty power
above all by pardoning and showing mercy,
bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us
and make those hastening to attain your promises
heirs to the treasures of heaven.
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 Ezekiel.
'When a wicked person turns away from the wickedness he has committed, he shall save his life.' *18:25-28*
Thus says the Lord: 'You say, "The way of the Lord is not just." Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way not just? Is it not your ways that are not just? When a righteous person turns away from his righteousness and does injustice, he shall die for it; for the injustice that he has done he shall die. Again, when a wicked person turns away from the wickedness he has committed and does what is just and right, he shall save his life. Because he considered and turned away from all the transgressions that he had committed, he shall surely live; he shall not die.'
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps.25(24)

Remember your compassion, O Lord.
O Lord, make me know your ways.
Teach me your paths.
Guide me in your truth, and teach me;
for you are the God of my salvation. **R.**

Remember your compassion, O Lord,
and your merciful love, for they are from of old.
Do not remember the sins of my youth,
nor my transgressions.
In your merciful love remember me,
because of your goodness, O Lord. **R.**

Good and upright is the Lord;
therefore he shows the way to sinners.
He guides the humble in right judgement;
to the humble he teaches his way. **R.**

SECOND READING

*(Shorter form between *)*
A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians.
'Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus.' *2:1-11*
Brothers and sisters: If there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy; complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia.
My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord,
and I know them, and they follow me.
Alleluia

GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.
And with your Spirit.
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.
'He changed his mind and went. *The tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you.'* *21:28-32*
At that time: Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What do you think? A man had two sons. And he went to the first and said, "Son, go and work in the vineyard today." And he answered, "I will not", but afterward he changed his mind and went. And he went to the other son and said the same. And he answered, "I go, sir", but did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?' They said, 'The first.' Jesus said to them, 'Truly, I say to you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes go into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him. And even when you saw it, you did not afterwards change your minds and believe him.'
The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant us, O merciful God,
that this our offering may find acceptance with you
and that through it the wellspring of all blessing
may be laid open before us.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

ANTIPHON AT COMMUNION

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord,
by which you have given me hope.
This is my comfort when I am brought low.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May this heavenly mystery, O Lord,
restore us in mind and body,
that we may be coheirs in glory with Christ,
to whose suffering we are united
whenever we proclaim his Death.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK		
Sat 26th	4.00 pm	Theresa, Alec Snr & Alec Jnr
Sun 27th	10.30 am	Nora Frances & Vincent Smith RIP
Mon 28th		**NO MASS**
Tues 29th	10.30 am	Peggy Regan RIP
Wed 30th	10.30 am	Dennis Moloney RIP
Thurs 1st	10.30 am	Jimmy McGill RIP with Holy Family School
Fri 2nd	10.30 am	Michael Raughter RIP
Sat 3rd	4.00 pm	Bridget Corcoran & Mick Connolly (Anniversary)
Sun 4th	10.30 am	Pauline Symons RIP (Birthday)
OFFERTORY COLLECTION: £454.89 **SECOND COLLECTION: £144.05 (Catholic Evangelisation))**		

27th September 2026: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FEASTS:

Tuesday	SS Michael, Gabriel & Raphael
Wednesday	St Jerome
Thursday	St Thérèse of the Child Jesus
Friday	Holy Guardian Angels
Sunday	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Adoration & Confession: Tuesday & Thursday (9.30 am – 10.20 am)

Altar Lamp – Matt Morley (Intentions)

Our Lady's Lamp – Nora Frances & Vincent Smith RIP

RECENTLY DEAD: Julie Mary Williams RIP. Reception Thursday 8th October at 7.00 pm; Requiem Mass Friday 9th, 11.30am
Dennis Moloney RIP. Funeral Service at Yardley Crematorium, Friday 9th October 2026 at 2.30 pm.
Catherine Ferguson RIP. Requiem Mass Tuesday 20th October at 11.00 am.
Vincent Quinn RIP & Fr Christopher Fitzpatrick RIP. Details to follow.

ANNIVERSARIES: Edward Connolly, James Martin, Ann Tobin, Harry Wilson, Ellen Bergin, James Hosty, Ray Byrne, Mick Redmond, Jason Philip, Amos Andrews, Mary O'Shea, Ann Thunder, Elizabeth Morris, Kathleen Horgan, Charles Cabena, William Murray, John Maher, Linda Clarke, William Walsh.

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: Father Hudson's Society **NEXT WEEKEND:** CAFOD (Harvest Fast)
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.
CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE meeting on Saturday 3rd October, 12.00 noon in the Presbytery. All women welcome.
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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