

SERVICES THIS WEEK – October 2026

SUNDAY 4 October	9.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Mass	27th Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>The 11.00am Mass is livestreamed</i>
MONDAY 5 October	9.15am	Mass	St Faustina Kowalska
TUESDAY 6 October	9.15am	Mass	St Bruno
WEDNESDAY 7 October	7.30am 12 noon	Mass Mass	Our Lady of the Rosary
THURSDAY 8 October	9.15am	Mass	
FRIDAY 9 October	9.15am 6.00pm	Mass	St John Henry Newman
SATURDAY 10 October	9.15am 6.00pm	Mass	<i>First Mass of Sunday</i>
SUNDAY 11 October	9.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Mass	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>The 11.00am Mass is livestreamed</i>

ROSARY	After 9.15am Morning Masses Monday to Saturday
EXPOSITION/private prayer	Wed: 10 – 11.50am; Fri: 10-11am, 5-5.50pm; Sat: 10-11am
RECONCILIATION	At the above time of adoration & on request
PRAYER GROUPS (in Chapel)	Charismatic Prayer Group - Monday evenings 7pm.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Pope Leo as he prepares for his visits to Uruguay, Argentina and Peru next month.
- The Repose of the soul of Frank Hope, Pauline Deegan & Michael Coleman whose funerals took place last week. We pray also for their families/friends at this time.
- Prime Minister Andy Burnham and all the Government, as they try to tackle a number of challenging issues at the moment.
- All who dedicate themselves to defending the sanctity of life in our country.
- Peace & reconciliation in all countries/communities living under the shadow of war.
- All Christian and people of faith being persecuted around the world.
- All who work in our local hospital and care homes.
- For greater cooperation across nations to tackle the causes of climate change.
- The homeless, refugees and migrants – that they may find a place of sanctuary.
- All the sick, housebound and most vulnerable members of our parish community.
- The work of CAFOD, Mary's Meals, Caritas and the Catholic Children's Society.
- Local school communities and families in these early weeks of the new school year.
- All those who have just started or re-started at university.
- For our parish community as we prepare for Archbishop Richard's visit this month.



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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Back in the Vineyard...

Over the last 3 Sundays Jesus has told 3 different parables about the vineyard. Today we hear the most dramatic of these parables. This is the shocking story of the ungrateful and rebellious tenants who try to take over the landowner's beautiful vineyard for themselves, and kill his servants and then his son. This is, of course, a story about God and the human race and how we have treated God and His creation. The vineyard is an image which runs all the way through the Bible from Genesis to the Book of Revelation – it is a symbol of the joy & blessing which God desires for our lives. But in the ways we abuse & even destroy the vineyard, it also reveals our ingratitude, negligence and rejection of God's blessings. Jesus calls us to be true partners to God and each other. How does this connect with our lives today? Two things to consider:

1) One of God's great gifts to us is our parish. This is a vineyard where God blesses us and gives himself to us in so many ways. He feeds us and nourishes with his living Word and his own Body and Blood in the Eucharist. He strengthens us and protects us through the gift of our community, and he calls us into an ever-deeper relationship with him both as individuals and as members of the parish family. This month is a very special month for our parish as we prepare for Archbishop Richard's visit on Sunday 25th October. May this be a time to re-commit ourselves to a deeper connection with God and to our parish. May we be fruitful and faithful labourers in God's vineyard here in White City!

2) Part of our mission is to care and reflect the abundant love of God through our generous support for those most in need in our global family. This weekend is the **CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY** appeal. CAFOD **urgently** needs our help to support people facing devastating poverty around the world. See www.cafod.org.uk for more information about the life-saving, world-changing work which CAFOD does on our behalf.

With prayers and blessings - Fr Richard, Fr Ephrem and all the parish team

IN THE PARISH...

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Pg 137 in Parish Mass book) 1st reading Isaiah 5: 1-7; Psalm 80 Response: **The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.** 2nd reading Philippians 4: 6-9. Gospel: Matthew 21: 33-43 The ungrateful & rebellious tenants of the vineyard

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Pg 140 in Parish Mass book) 1st reading Isaiah 25: 6-10; Psalm 23 Response: **In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for length of days unending.** 2nd reading Philippians 4: 12-14, 19-20. Gospel: Matthew 22: 1-14 The wedding feast and the reluctant guests.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION: £2,088.64; Loose Plate: £336.70; Planned Giving: £354.50; On-line donations: £1045.44; Contactless machine: £352.00. We calculate it costs at least £3,000 a week just to cover the basic expenses of running the parish. We do not receive money from the diocese or the Vatican (!), but rely totally on your support.

- This weekend we mark **CAFOD HARVEST FAMILY FAST DAY**. This year's campaign focuses on helping those who struggle to have clean/safe water, such as Tayla & family in Zimbabwe. Please take an envelope and return next week with your donation. Gift aid if you can...

Online Donations Account Name: WRCDT White City Sort Code: 40-05-20 Account No: 31264990. A regular standing order is a great way to support the parish. Use the parish bank account details above. Add your surname/first name as a reference. Taxpayers can gift aid your donation! For help with this, email Collise on whitecity@rcdow.org.uk.

- **THE THURSDAY CLUB** for our wonderful over-60's local residents this week is celebrating **'Silver Thursday'** – an annual event celebrating our older generation in Hammersmith & Fulham. 11am to 1.30pm in our parish centre – a fun social with music, movement & light refreshments. Limited spaces so please register@ Cheryl.Oteng@lbhf.gov.uk

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY FOOD PROJECTS

FoodCycle's community lunch Saturdays 1-2pm in our parish centre. The amazing FoodCycle team cook a 3-course veggie lunch. It's free & a great way to meet local people.

Our Monday morning White City Community Food Hub offers free, nutritious food to those in need. Open to residents living in the W12 postcode. To register please bring proof of address & ID. Doors open @ 10.30am for teas/coffees and the food is distributed from about 11am.

- **2026/27 CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME REGISTRATION is now complete.** We will be contacting candidates & families this week with first steps...

- **GIFT programme for children of primary school age** Leaflets/registration forms are available at back of church for our Growing in Faith Together group for families with children of primary school age. We meet monthly to deepen their faith & grow in the life of the parish. See Mary C/Fr R...

- **BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE** – 1st session **next Saturday 10th October, 4-5pm in the church.** We will agree together on the day/time for the 2nd session on that day. Please collect a registration form from Fr Richard.

Season of Creation 2026 *The Season of Creation unites Christians every autumn in prayer & action for the protection of our common home. We are invited to pray/engage in community events to help deepen our relationship with God, our neighbour & the earth we share.*

- Today Sunday, 4 Oct, **the second of three 30-minute 'Eco Shorts' talks after 11am Mass.** This week, **Astrid Winkler-Studd** shares her experience of a pioneering project to reclaim peat lands and forests in Finland. A real story of hope and inspiration! **12.30pm, midweek chapel**

- Today, we will have a sale of home-made produce and items after the 9am/11am Mass to raise money for CAFOD. Cakes, home-made jam/chutney, or fruit/veg from the allotment, children's friendship bracelets...

- **CERTIFICATE of CATHOLIC PRACTICE** – Fr Richard has now completed his scheduled appointments. If any parent still wants to arrange an appointment, please email Fr Richard @ nesbitt@rcdow.org.uk

- **The ADOREMUS 2026 National Eucharistic Conference** takes place **next Saturday** starting with 10.30am Mass @St George's Cathedral, Southwark, then a Eucharistic procession to Westminster Cathedral & all-night vigil. For full programme see: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/adoremus-2026/>

- **A DAY with MARY** returns to our parish on Saturday 17 October, 10am–5pm A beautiful day of prayer & devotion. See flyer for full programme.

A Date 4 your DIARY! Our **BIG PARISH CELEBRATION SUNDAY 25 OCTOBER.** Archbishop Richard Moth, our new Archbishop of Westminster, is coming to celebrate **a special Mass of Thanksgiving at 10.30am on Sunday 25th October.** This is the first Sunday of the half-term holiday so please do all you can to be here!!! During/after the Mass Archbishop Richard will bless the 6 new windows in the church and our newly renovated parish centre. Please take a special invitation card for yourself & for others. We will also be inviting you from this weekend to sign up to contribute food/drink...