#### THIS WEEK:

Mon — Sat: 10am Mass Exposition and Confessions to 11am unless other service to follow.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday (All Saints), Thursday (All Souls),

Friday: 6.30pm

SUNDAY OFFERTORY/TITHES

SEPTEMBER: £ 12,484.19 Week average: £3,121

(Donations by Contactless, SO

and online: £5,464.93)

Many thanks!

**SOCIAL APOSTOLATE:** Monday

(11am-3pm), Tuesday & Wednesday (1pm-3pm). Welcome to all.

READINGS: Exod. 22:20-26; 1 Thess.

1:5-10; Matt. 22:34-40

# **Joining the Catholic Church:**

Please contact our office if you wish to be baptised, or Confirmed, or to become a member of the Catholic Church.

Clocks back one hour last night.

## **NORMAL CHURCH TIMES**

Saturday Evening 6.30<sup>pm</sup> (Vigil);

Sunday Mass: 8, 9:30, 11

Polish (po polsku): 12.30<sup>pm</sup>, 6:30<sup>pm</sup>

Mass in Spanish: 4.30<sup>pm</sup>

Monday—Saturday: 10am Mass
Evening Mass Monday and Friday at

6.30<sup>pm</sup>

**Divine Mercy: every last Monday** 

after evening Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

in the church after 10am Mass each weekday, after the 6.30pm Mass on Friday, 6pm Saturdays, or by appointment at the Presbytery.

Rosary: 11am each weekday.

#### **PARISH STAFF & TEAM**

Contact them on: 020 8800 2121

Parish Priest: Fr. Andrew Cameron-Mowat SJ. Assistant Priests: Fr. John McCabe SJ,

Fr. Piotr Kropisz SJ

Resident Jesuits: Fr. Harry Elias SJ, Fr. John

Moffatt SJ (LJC), Fr. Jean Nyembo SJ (Congo), Fr. Michael Smith SJ (JRS).

Music: Ann Bennett

**Sunday Sacristan:** Kevin De Souza **Parish Secretary**: Judy Bronson.

Tel: 020 8800 2262 . M-Th 9am — 1pm Catechetics: Aga Wiecek 020 8800 2202

If you have any concerns about safety or well-being of a child or vulnerable adult in the parish, please contact our Safeguarding Representatives: Attracta Asika 079 0544 5938 and Aga Wiecek, 077 3681 9943





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### ALL SAINTS, ALL SOULS, REMEMBRANCE

This week we celebrate the feast of All Saints on Wednesday, and the Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed on Thursday, and a bit later we have Remembrance Sunday, in honour of those who died in the Two World Wars, and subsequent conflicts around the world, still lamentably going on in Ukraine and the Holy Land, where atrocities the like of which we thought we had put behind us are still being perpetrated on a daily basis with no end in sight. The first two are primarily religious observances, and the third will have a more secular character not confined to people of faith. But all three in their different ways look beyond this world: to the saints in heaven, both those officially canonised and the countless others who are not; to our loved ones who have died as we say 'marked with the sign of faith', for whom we pray especially throughout the month of November that they too may join the ranks of the blessed in heaven as described in the closing pages of the Apocalypse; and for those who gave their lives in the ultimate sacrifice, often in the bloom of youth, and perhaps including someone known to us, that others back home may live to rebuild their lives and make the world around them a better place. These various celebrations and commemorations remind us that 'there is a world elsewhere' which beckons us and towards which we are all moving in our different ways, confident that we will all be reunited in harmony in the 'new heaven and new earth' promised in the scriptures, where all divisions and rivalries will be forgotten, as St Thomas More put it (more eloquently).

Responsorial Psalm: I love you, Lord, my strength.

## POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION OCTOBER:



**For the Synod.** We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

**JUNIOR CHOIR:** Our Youth Choir which sings at the 9.30 Mass is looking for new members. If you are aged 11-25 and enjoy singing, please come along. Choir practices are on Fridays 6.15pm - 7.15pm in the weekday chapel. If you need more information, text/Whatsapp Ann on 07793 751261

**CONFIRMATION:** Soon we will begin a new edition of the Confirmation programme for teenagers from our parish. We have 47 candidates who will be preparing intensively for several months to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2024. We start the programme with individual interviews with candidates and their families on 10<sup>th</sup> November from 17:30. The catechist team is looking forward to meeting our young parishioners. All candidates will be introduced to the parish at the Mass of Enrolment on 26<sup>th</sup> November at 11:00.

# QR Code for your Sunday Offertory/ Tithe [with your phone]:

Please click on the code to make your donation. Thank you!

ALL SAINTS (holy day of obligation)

Mass Tuesday evening at 6.30; Wednesday 10am and 6.30pm. ALL SOULS Mass at 10am and 6.30pm

Next Sunday: Diocesan Retired Priests' Collection

"The challenge I had to face was to make sure that I would not become isolated and to keep active"

These are the words of Monsignor Tom Egan, reflecting on life as a retired Parish Priest in our Diocese. On 16 June last year, Cardinal Vincent Nichols was once again able to welcome Mgr. Tom, together with Patrons and Supporters of the Sick & Retired Priests Fund, to the special reception in the Cathedral Hall, following the celebratory Mass in Westminster Cathedral.

Thanking our generous Patrons and Supporters, Cardinal Vincent Nichols talked fondly of the Diocese's retired clergy, keen to note that although retired, they continue to serve in different ways. Reflecting on what it meant to be a retired priest, he said that a significant difference between a Priest and a lay person reaching retirement was this, "when you finally reach retirement age, and leave your job, you go home. But for a priest, on the day they retire, they leave their home. They leave familiar surroundings, setting out for something uncertain, somewhere different to what they have known".

Canon Gerard King, in speaking to our guests of the role of the Sick & Retired Priests Committee, and highlighting the tireless work of Sister Clement, explained that this vital support is thanks to your generosity. Your kindness ensures that our retired clergy have their basic needs for living, care in health emergencies or post-surgery, companionship and a host of other services, to ensure all their needs are met.

"I am grateful and thankful to all the Patrons of the Sick & Retired Priests Fund, for showing their interest and concern for the retired priest", said Mgr. Tom.

Please take an envelope with you as you leave the church today and bring it next week with your offering. Many thanks for your generosity.