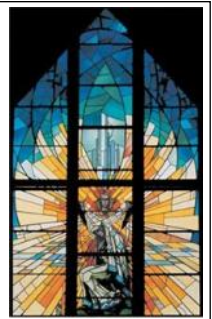




Our Lady of the Annunciation



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Monday - Saturday: Before or After 10am Mass or By Appointment

19th October Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (page 152 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR C

Wherever in the world you are, today, you can have access to emergency services just by 'dialling' a few numbers on your telephone. But How often have you called an emergency number in your life? Never I hope because it means you are likely to have experienced significant trauma. But for many of us we see prayer as an 'emergency call.'

In the gospel today we have a reminder about making frequent calls to God. Jesus is still on his way to Jerusalem – and is nearly reaching his final destination. He begins to tell us two stories about prayer. One about constancy in prayer; and another about our attitude in prayer. This Sunday we take up the first story, about the woman who went knocking at the door of the unjust judge. Though the woman in the parable today is seeking the help of the judge because she is in need, we should not lose sight of the context of the story. Luke tells us that Jesus "told them a parable, to the effect that they ought *always* to pray and not lose heart." It is not a story about the woman's emergency. Besides, this story comes after Jesus has been talking about the coming of the Kingdom of God (Lk 17: 20-37). And the story ends with the statement from Jesus, "When the Son of man comes, will he find faith on earth?" Therefore, the parable is about praying as long as we are on the face of the earth. It is about being faithful to our relationship with God through prayer in our daily life.



*** CENTENARY DINNER DANCE ***

Saturday 8th November 7pm - For our parishioners & their friends!

£35 per head - (Drink on arrival & 2 course meal - vegetarian option available)
Dancing to hit music across the decades!

Ladies, get your beautiful glad rags out!
Gentlemen, dress to impress!

TICKETS NOW ON SALE! Contact Marie Tross on: **07774 643159** or
tross.marie@gmail.com to secure your tickets
See poster in porch for more information

MEETINGS

Confirmation Rehearsal: Tuesday 21st at 7.30pm (Church)

SVP: Tuesday 21st at 8pm (PRC)

RCIA: Wednesday 22nd at 8pm (PRC) *The Sacrament of the Eucharist*

Ascent Group: Tuesday 28th at 10.45am (Small Hall)

SVP: Tuesday 28th at 8pm (PRC)



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays: 10.30am - 12pm

In The Sacred Heart Chapel

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 573.74
Loose cash	£ 607.91
S/Os (Approx)	£ 1340.00
Total	£ 2521.65

Mass Intentions This Week

18 October: Saturday SAINT LUKE

10:00 Michael, Harold & Harry Sweeney RIP

18:00 Celia Sweeney RIP ~

19 October: TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY

08:30 Ronald Rakusen RIP ~

10:00 Thanksgiving for Miriam Joseph ~

First Holy Communion Mass of Dedication

11:30 All Parishioners ~ +

20 October: Monday

10:00 John Walsh RIP 3rd Anniversary

21 October: Tuesday

10:00 Jack Tansley RIP

22 October: Wednesday

10:00 Dec. Mems. Of the Lavin Family RIP

23 October: Thursday

10:00 Neville Cornabe RIP

19:00 Rosary

19:30 Thanksgiving & Birthday Intentions
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24 October: Friday

10:00 Martha & Abraham Pereira RIP

25 October: Saturday

10:00 Welfare of Coloma &
All Catholic Education

18:00 Nora (Ann.) Paddy & John Walsh RIP

26 October: THIRTIETH SUNDAY

08:30 All Parishioners

10:00 Kathleen Finnegan RIP

11:30 Vincent O'Reilly RIP

+ *With Baptism*

~ *With Foodbank Sunday*

PLEASE NOTE:

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR NEXT WEEK
ARE SHOWN OVERLEAF**

*** DEFIBRILLATORS ***

There is a defibrillator located on the right hand side of the porch as you enter the church, and another on the wall outside the large hall entrance.

COLLECTIONS

This week there will be a Diocesan collection for **World Mission Sunday (Missio)**. See note overleaf.

Next week there will be an ACC second collection for **Barnabas Aid**.

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Jonathan Leiper, Marie Griffin, Christina Cahill, Ursula & Anthony Kennedy, Peggy Wall, Joseph Anand, Pat Joyce, Darren Ngasseu, Paddy Ryan, Jean Carpenter, Dave Freegard, Lorraine Quinlivan & all others

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: Mary Feeney, Laurence Ellis, Nellie King, Bernadette Petts, John Daly, Bianca Buchhaus, Margaret Linnane, Sheila Braim, John Walsh, James Clancy, Kathleen Brandon, Aileen Talbot, Veronica Locke, George Pichery, Merlyn O'Connell, Margaret Mary Gibbs, Barbara Stevens, Kenneth Nicholas, Richard Schenk, Anna Schalck, Mary Ann Fowler, Anthony Brunson, Maisie Wyatt, Abina Martin, Sophie Jones, John Davis, Walter Elfer, Anastazy Kachellek, Richard Allen Wilding, Kathleen Finnegan

SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

Sunday evening entertainment commencing at 8.00pm

19th October: Shane & Mervyn Owens

26th October: The Duets

2nd November: Kieran White

9th November: Frank Nelson

16th November: Theresa Rodgers

23rd November: Ally Harron & Marian Curry

30th November: TR Dallas

7th December: Shane & Mervyn Owens

14th December: Glen Flynn

- **J & M Country Dancing** will be facilitating a **Jiving Session** in the Hall on Sunday, 19th October from 5:00pm. For more information, please call **Della Reilly on 07403 227933**.

- The **Bee Gees & Barbra Streisand Tribute Evening** featuring all of their hits over the last 40+ years takes place on Friday, 5th December commencing at 7:30pm. All proceeds from this event will be given to **Anerley ACROSS: A Charity which takes a party of disabled people on a pilgrimage to Lourdes in June**.

Tickets at £15.00 each can be reserved by calling **Ben Cahill on 07958 903410**.

- We are sad to announce the recent passing of long standing club members **Eileen Harte & Mary Daly**. They will be sadly missed by all at the Ballroom of Romance. May they Rest In Peace.

BEREAVEMENT COUNSELLING TRAINING

www.thelisteningear.org.uk

Do you have a listening ear? Do you have a desire to help others? Do you have some spare time? Then why not consider joining our 50 hour Bereavement Training Course commencing 19th January 2026.

For an information pack, please email wbs@thelisteningear.org.uk

JOIN US: For your usual coffee and cake on **Wednesday**. In addition, we will have a **one off table top sale** to raise some funds for the Rev sisters at Daughters of Divine Love in SW London.

Venue: large hall. *Drop in for coffee after Mass and stay!*

OUR LADY'S CENTENARY TOTE BAGS - £5 each

On sale after all Sunday Masses!

Alternatively you can contact **Marie Tross** on **07774 643159**, or visit the parish office to purchase one.

UCM MEETING Wednesday 5th November - 8pm

Talk by Sister Sheila DMJ, about her work at Croydon University Hospital and teaching career. **All are welcome!**

AD MAJOREM DEI GLORIAM

ARE YOU HAVING TROUBLE WITH MATHS? We can help!

We will be offering Maths tuition for **years 1 to 'A' level**

On **Sundays** in **Our Lady's** small hall between **1 - 5pm**.

£25 p/h for years 1 - 9

£30 p/h for GCSE & A Level

To register your interest please contact:

Joseph 07714 203973 or Grace 07516 396009

CALLING ALL MARRIED COUPLES

The Southwark diocesan Marriage and Family life team are seeking married couples who are practising Catholics to join their growing team to present courses for Marriage Preparation, Building a Better Marriage and other initiatives in 2026. Salary: £30,000 pro rata (£7,000) per annum for the couple. Mileage paid in addition. All training given.

For a full job description and further details, please email: liamgallagher@rcaos.org.uk

Closing date for applications: October 31st.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE: The parish office will be closed on **Friday 24th October**, due to staff annual leave. Therefore the next newsletter will be published on 30/31st October.

Diocesan Safeguarding Office: safeguardingoffice@rcaos.org.uk

Baptism Certs: Please collect from the parish office

Rotas: Eucharistic Ministers (October) Readers (Nov/Dec)

Mass Intentions w/c 27th October

27 October: Monday

10:00 Sebastian & Maryla Gomez RIP

28 October: Tuesday SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE

10:00 John O'Sullivan RIP 1st Anniversary

29 October: Wednesday FUNERAL MASS

10:00 Eileen Harte RIP

30 October: Thursday

10:00 James Murphy RIP

19:30 Jim McHugh RIP (Birthday)

31 October: Friday

10:00 Mary Good RIP 19th Anniversary

1 November: Saturday

10:00 Holy Souls

18:00 Joan McHugh RIP

2 November: SUNDAY ALL SAINTS

08:30 All Parishioners

10:00 UCM: All Confirmandii

*****Confirmation Mass with Canon Gerard Bradley*****

11:30 Marie Josee Domah RIP 5th Anniversary

THANKS! FROM THE UCM

The UCM would like to say a huge thank you to all who supported their recent fundraising events. We have been able to send £300 to Mary's Meals following our coffee morning, and £1007 to Woodside Bereavement Service from the quiz night on Friday.

SILVER SUNDAY PART 2 CELEBRATIONS

Welderlies Shades of Autumn warmly invites Senior Parishioners to **'Welderlies Got Talent'** on **Thursday 30th October** as part 2 of Silver Sunday celebrations in the large hall from 1 - 4pm.

Come in Autumn colours, showcase your books and poems, arts / crafts you designed, or songs you composed. Also intergenerational session, light refreshments music and dance.

Text **Sylvia** on **07375 824615** to express interest. Many thanks

CLEANER REQUIRED FOR CHURCH HALLS

10 hrs a week (across 4/5days) £14 per hour

Cleaning and monitoring of all kitchens & toilets

& washing/sweeping all floors (requires use of heavy machinery)

Please see the job description and application form on our website:

Addiscombecatholicchurch.com

TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Today, parishes worldwide celebrate World Mission Sunday. By supporting Missio, the Pope's charity for world mission, we stand united in God's global family, in prayer, solidarity and action. We are called to be 'Missionaries Of Hope Among All Peoples' as everyone deserves to hear that God Loves them and to be strengthened by God's spirit. Please pray for missionaries and give what you can to this vital collection, bringing God's compassion, peace and justice to those in need.

To donate, use the **Missio envelopes**, call **020 7821 9755** (office hours) or visit **mission.org.uk** to give a gift, set up a Direct Debit, and Gift Aid your donation if possible.

PARISH ASCENT GROUP

Our Parish Ascent Group is part of "Life Ascending International". It is a Catholic Movement, a Confraternity, for men and women. The three aims are first, Friendship, then growing in Spirituality, and then finally supporting our Catholic Church's Mission at home and abroad. **All parishioners are very welcome to join us.**

We meet over tea and coffee to share, in different ways, an understanding and experience of our Catholic Faith, in the **Small Hall after 10.00 o'clock Mass on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.**

Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday 28th October**. In addition to our usual Ascent prayer we will pray in silence for three minutes and also read one of the Sunday Gospels, sharing our thoughts together.