



Our Lady of Grace & St Edward's Chiswick & St Dunstan's Gunnersbury with St Joseph's Grove Park

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at Our Lady of Grace & St Edward, Chiswick, London W4

27th September 2026

TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Canon Michael Dunne
Monsignor Roger Reader
Father Jakub Jozsko
Deacon Paolo Gambardella
Angela Pires

Outgoing Parish Priest
Incoming Parish Priest
Assistant Priest
Deacon
Office & Property Manager

Fr. Michael signs out and onwards:

In the Gospel parable today we learn of a father whom we know to be a provident father both because he owns a vineyard which provides for himself and his family but also because he wants his two sons to benefit and grow in responsibility too, to learn to be provident in their turn. In order to fulfil his hopes for his sons they are both sent into the vineyard. One says he will not go, having in his own mind, presumably, that he has better things to do, but he does eventually go to the vineyard. The other son says he will go but doesn't go at all. We know very clearly that one son will thrive, albeit eventually, and that the other son has failed both in filial love and duty, but more tragically still, has failed himself, and walks in a trajectory of selfishness and decline. In our discipleship, in our following of Christ each of us is called and each of us is sent by our most provident Almighty Father to the vineyard of the Kingdom of God for our thriving. What form that sending takes is according to our vocation, our calling, lived out in the circumstances of our lives. What a joy for me it has been over these last 10 years to have had the privilege, too, of sharing our life and discipleship together as we all respond with a yes to the Lord's sending us into His vineyard, here as we have lived it in Chiswick, Gunnersbury and Grove Park. Just as I was sent here so I am now sent on, even as Monsignor Roger is sent here for his and parishioners' thriving and takes up office on Thursday, 1st October, the Feast of St Thérèse of Lisieux, Patron Saint of Mission, of being sent for the good of others and ourselves. Let us all give thanks to God for His provident care for us above all in giving us His Son and Holy Spirit and continue to to pray for one another. *Thank you!*

ADOREMUS:

National Eucharistic Congress, London, Sat 10th October.

Why not make a beautiful thing of it this coming Saturday week? This national celebration of Eucharistic love is between St George's Cathedral Southwark and our own Westminster Cathedral of the Most Precious Blood. No booking is needed for the 6.00pm *Saturday Vigil Mass* at Westminster Cathedral. The Holy Hours following are at 7.30pm, 8.30pm and 9.30pm together with the All-Night Vigil from midnight to 6.00am on Sunday! Booking is essential: www.westminstercathedral.org.uk/adoremus/ Or earlier perhaps accompany the 3.00pm Saturday Eucharistic Procession from St George's Cathedral, Southwark, to Westminster Cathedral where at 5.00pm Bishop James Curry will give Pontifical Benediction. *O come, let us adore Him!*

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 26/9 6.30pm	FERIA	Lupton Family Etta McGarrigle	INT RD
6.30pm	Grove Park		
Sun 27/9 8.30am	26th SUNDAY OT	Frank O'Brien Mary & Michael Carrigan People of the Parish Kathy Kelly-Birthday Elaine Daub Edward Reynolds	INT ANN INT INT RD ANN
9.45am	Gunnersbury		
10.00am			
11.00am			
12.15pm 6.30pm			
Mon 28/9 10.00am	FERIA	Dickie & Annie Williams	ANN
Tue 29/9 10.00am	STS. MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL	John Lardner	RD
6.00pm	PIME Convent	Tony Murray	RD
Wed 30/9 10.00am	SAINT JEROME	Desmond Etherson	2 nd ANN
Thur 1/10 10.00am 12.00pm 6.00pm	SAINT THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS PIME Convent	Angelina Lops Wedding Christy Flynn	RIP RD
Fri 2/10 10.00am	HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS	Teresa Swiden	INT
Sat 3/10 10.00am 11.00am 2.00pm 5.00pm	FERIA	William Aquilina Confessions Wedding Confessions & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Margaret Purves G.C Plunkett O'Donnell	ANN ANN ANN
6.30pm 6.30pm	27th SUNDAY OT Grove Park		

For those who are sick: Sandra Bocca, Alex Tuffy, Mary Frain, Greta Gribben, Romeo Monthy, Benjamin White, Anne Beglane, Margaret Niwczyk Bejnarowicz, Pearl Fernando, Clare Burke, Gerry Hynes, Pascale Murphy, Claire Goacher, Fr. Eamon Conerty, Celeine Duignan, Mike O'Farrelly, Michael O'Reilly, Delight Goodfellow, Alberto Viveros, Emma Eliot, Kay Senior, Monica McGowan, Layan Nasir, Lalin Karunatilka, Andrea Peri, Maureen Barney, Catherine Dawson, John King, Peter Chesney, Norman Richardson, Jordan McClaren, Richard (Dickie) Dunne, Margaret Farrell, Florence Fegen, Catherine Gibson, Rod & Scott Daynes, Jasmine Sarker Poly, Dorina Archer, Judith Languine, Margaret Farall, Eileen Hempenstall and Michael O'Farrelly.

For Recently Deceased: Ann Edgar, Mary Green, Frank Heverin, Bill Lupton, Homero de Leon Urrutia Parra, Margaret Watt. May they RIP.

For Anniversaries Occurring: Elizabeth Mulhall, Mary & Michael Carrigan, Edward Reynolds, Dickie & Annie Williams, Desmond Etherson, William Aquilina, Margaret Purves and Plunkett O'Donnell. May they Rest in Peace.

THIS WEEKEND'S scripture readings, Mass Book p.134

1st Reading: **Ezekiel 18:25-28**

Psalm: **25(24):4-5b. 6-7.8-9.R.6a**

2nd Reading: **Philiippians 2:1-11**

Gospel: **Matthew 21:28-32**

NEXT SUNDAY'S scripture readings, Mass Book p.137

1st Reading: **Isaiah 5:1-7**

Psalm: **80(79):9, 12. 13-14. 15-16. 19-20.R Isaiah 5:7a**

2nd Reading: **Philiippians 4:6-9**

Gospel: **Matthew 21:33-43**

REPOSITORY - Is open today after all morning Masses with First Holy Communion cards and gifts plus Confirmation cards, sympathy cards, candles and rosaries and many more items.

CANON MICHAEL'S THANKSGIVING MASS & FAREWELL – 11.00am Mass Sunday 18th October will be Fr Michael's return to the parish to give thanks for his ministry of 10 years among us and also our chance to say thank you to him. Mass will be followed by a Reception in the Parish Centre with a finger-food buffet lunch to which all parishioners are invited whether attending the Mass or not. The 12.15pm Mass will be said Mass to enable the congregation to join the Reception at about 1.00pm with refreshed food. Speeches and presentation will be at 1.10pm or so. If anyone wishes to make a contribution to a thanksgiving collection please take an envelope marked 'Fr Michael's Collection' at the church doors. Envelopes can be returned into any parish collection (or the Priests' House letterbox) over the next few weeks. Cards with personal messages etc may also of course be given in to the Office.

SCHOOL APPLICATIONS, SECONDARY AND PRIMARY, 2027. To obtain a Certificate of Catholic Practice (CCP), *if your Catholic practice allows for it*, you should **firstly** contact the Parish Office to request an appointment and collect a self-assessment form (which can also be sent electronically). You should **secondly** complete the self-assessment form and bring it to your appointment with Canon Michael or Fr Jakub. You should not bring blank CCPs from schools. If you are a Catholic but not a *practising* Catholic, it will be impossible to issue a CCP as it is *certifying* actual Catholic practice of *habitually attending weekly Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation* over several years. It is also *perfectly feasible* to submit an application to a Catholic school *without* a CCP. The application would be categorised according to the admission criteria published by the school. **Phone or email the Office for a 10-minute slot.** Current availability: **Weds 30th Sept 3.00-6.00pm and Friday 2nd Oct 3.00pm to 5.30pm.** More in the following week.

BAPTISM – The next Baptism Preparation Course for those seeking their first baptism for a baby or infant is on Tuesday 6th October. Apply via Parish Office or: <http://www.ourladyofgracechiswick.org>

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2027 – Registration is now open online, via our website <http://www.ourladyofgracechiswick.org> **The closing date to register for First Holy Communion is Monday 28th September**, with the course beginning with the Enrolment Mass on Sunday 13th December at the 9.45am Mass. The course is open to parishioners' children living within the parish boundaries of Chiswick, Gunnersbury and Grove Park, and who regularly attend Mass. Exceptionally, others with good reason may apply but will need permission of their respective Parish Priest.

YOUTH CONFIRMATION 2027 - Registration for this year's academic year's course in preparation for Confirmation is now open online as via the parish website. It will be open to young people in Year 9 or above at school, resident and attending Mass in Chiswick, Gunnersbury and Grove Park. **The closing date to register for Confirmation is Friday 30th October.**

ADULT CONFIRMATIONS & RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) or THINKING ABOUT CATHOLICISM? – Registration for the course will be in October to start in November in the St Edward's Room, probably Weds 7.00pm for an hour. More info to come.

OLOG YOUTH GROUP AUTUMN SERIES IN OCTOBER! Calling all youth ages 14-17! OLOG Youth is back for our 4-week Autumn Series on 'Made in God's Image!' Come join us for games, faith building and fellowship in a relaxed and fun environment. Sessions will include food and are scheduled from 4:30pm-6:00pm in the Catholic Centre Main Hall on Sundays 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th October.

ST MARY'S OPEN MORNINGS - Is your child due to start Nursery or Reception next September 2027? Come and join us for an Open Morning, meet the headteacher and staff and see a typical day at St Mary's. Our Open Mornings run from 9.30-10.30am and will run on the following dates - Thurs 8th Oct, Thurs 22nd Oct, Thurs 12th Nov, Thurs 26th Nov, Thurs 3rd Dec. Please email office@stmarys.hounslow.sch.uk to register. If you are unable to make these times, please phone the school on 0208 994 5606 to arrange a tour. We do have spaces available in other year groups also. Please email or phone the school to enquire.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP – Those aged 18-35 are welcome to come to this evening's meeting after the 6.30pm Mass. See the parish website's Young Adults' page for more details: www.ourladyofgracechiswick.org/young-adults

FOODBANK NEXT WEEKEND – The next Foodbank collection will take place next weekend when we make our monthly collection of non-perishable items of food for families and individuals in crisis, together with a cash collection for those who prefer.

RENEWED CYCLEWAY 9 THREAT TO PAVEMENT IN FRONT OF CHURCH – Thank you to those who have written into the Council concerned about the lack of consultation pertaining to the proposed designs for C9 to mount the pavement outside church. The Council's reply is that the designs are 'at draft stage and are being reviewed internally and with TFL' and that 'once the public engagement information is ready in October' there 'will be an opportunity for residents and businesses to comment'. This is welcome news. The proposals were published on the W4 website: <https://new.chiswickw4.com/#!/pages/chiswickw4:info:cyclehiqhway102> The proposals would impede *all* pedestrians as well as parishioners gathering on the pavement before and after Mass, and funerals and processions, arguably undermining public safety for all not least for cyclists also with a sudden twist in the C9 route with a tree splitting the two C9 lanes as well as narrowing the pavement.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ROME - SPRING 2027! – From Sunday 11th to Friday 16th April, a fortnight after Easter 2027, a delightful pilgrimage to the Eternal City led by Fr Michael returning briefly to the Chiswick fold abroad. Elegant accommodation (half-board) within walking distance of St Peter's we'll have four full days in Rome (with air-conditioned minibus travel!). Flights from/to Heathrow. £2,360 per adult plus £240 single supplement. See posters on the church boards for the QR code or follow this link: <https://www.mccabe-travel.co.uk/?s=Chiswick> for further details and booking. Brochures and Booking Forms for those who prefer not to book online are available from the Parish Office.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY FRIDAY 2nd

Oct with collection Next Sunday - Please donate if you can to the *Family Fast Day* parish collection putting faith into action and sharing the Lord's love supporting our global neighbours experiencing shortages of food and safe water. Your gift can support pupils staying in school by helping communities and schools provide nourishing meals, improve access to water and grow food in school gardens. Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030.



CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF THE CARDINAL HUME CENTRE- A special Mass to mark the 40th anniversary of the Cardinal Hume Centre will be celebrated at **the Cathedral on Tues 13th Oct at 5.30pm.** **Cardinal Vincent Nichols will preside**, joined by Bishop James Curry and Dom Robert Igo OSB. The Mass is open to the public, and parishioners from Our Lady of Grace & St Edward's Church are warmly invited to attend in thanksgiving for the life and legacy of Cardinal Basil Hume and the Centre's 40 years of service.

SCHOLA CANTORUM CONCERT- will take place on Weds 21st Oct at 7pm at Notre Dame de France, Leicester Square. The Schola Cantorum of The Cardinal Vaughan Memorial School, joined by the Belgravia Chamber Orchestra, presents an evening of French music in the beautiful setting of Notre Dame de France, just off Leicester Square: Maurice Duruflé's sublime *Requiem*, performed in its chamber orchestra version, alongside works by Fauré, Poulenc and Messiaen, with Debussy's evocative *Danse sacrée et danse profane*. Tickets £20 (£12 Concessions) www.scholacantorum.co.uk

ST JOHN FISHER CATHOLIC CHURCH, PERIVALE warmly invites parishioners and visitors to a Mass for Children and Adults with intellectual disability, celebrated by Fr Peter Shekelton on Saturday 17th October at 11:00am. This special celebration is open to all, and especially welcomes those with intellectual disability, together with their families, friends, and carers.

THE ANNUAL MASS COUNT – is happening for three more Sundays not affecting Mass other than parishioners might see a fellow parishioner walking up and down the side aisles with a counter. The count provides statistics for the Diocese and Holy See.

TEA & COFFEE AFTER 9.45am SUNDAY MASS - in the Parish Centre **today, Sunday.** Families, children, visitors all welcome!

TEA AND COFFEE MORNINGS – Tues post-Mass coffee morning at 10.30am in the St Edward's Room each week and Fri coffee morning in the Parish Centre Lounge Bar at 10.30am. All welcome!

Collections for last weekend:

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20/09/26: **5,319.36**

St Joseph's Grove Park

20/09/26: **£226.50**

Thank you for your generosity.