

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

Leoma Thomas; Adwoa Gyempeh; Fletcher Merkel; Harper Moyski;
Alex and John McKee; Lucy Connor; Virginia Rocha; Laura Dray;
Francis O'Connor
and all the faithful departed.

**OUR SATURDAY MORNING MASS IS OFFERED FOR
THE SICK AND THE HOUSEBOUND**

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 2025

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Saturday 30th August

	6.00 pm	Alex and John McKee (RIP)
SUNDAY 31st	8.30 am	Lucy Connor (RIP)
	10.00 am	The People of the Parish
22nd SUNDAY	12 Noon	Virginia Rocha (RIP - anniv)
IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00 pm	Laura Dray (RIP)

Monday 1st Sept 9.30 am Fletcher Merkel & Harper Moyski RIP

Tuesday 2nd

9.30 am	-
10.30 am	Tuesday Morning Prayer Group
2.30pm	St Anthony Prayer Group

Wednesday 3rd *No Mass today. Church is closed.*
St GREGORY THE GREAT
Pope & Doctor of the Church

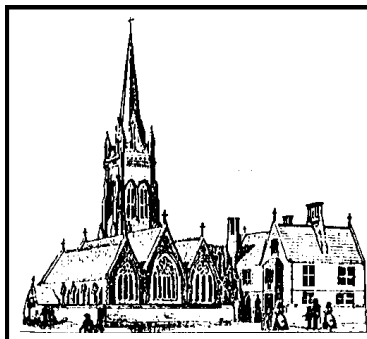
Thursday 4th **9.30am Francis O'Connor (RIP - anniv)**
St Cuthbert, Bishop **12.00pm Funeral Mass of Leoma Thomas RIP**

Friday 5th **9.30 am** -
St Teresa of Calcutta

Saturday 6th **10.00 am The sick and housebound**
10.30am Adoration and Benediction

**CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY 10.30 - 11.20AM ; 5.00 - 5.40PM
OR BY ARRANGEMENT**

**THE PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY
11AM - 3PM, (Closed on Wednesday)**



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Dear Friends

At the end of August, as a key contribution to the Jubilee Year, a national walking pilgrimage will take place that will trace an enormous sign of the Cross that spans England and Wales. The 'Pilgrimage of Hope' offers four main routes, or 'Ways' – north, south, east and west – that converge in Nottingham at the city's Cathedral on Saturday, 13 September 2025.

The following day, the Cathedral will host a Solemn Mass for the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross at 11:15am.

"I'd really like to undo some of the work done by Thomas Cromwell and Henry VIII to see walking pilgrimage re-established as an important part of the Christian heritage and practice in this country." says Phil McCarthy, Pilgrimage organiser

The main routes are named after the Evangelists, Saints Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. The first and longest route, St Matthew's Way, is the western route that starts in Cardiff on 28 August from St David's Metropolitan Cathedral. Next to start, on 1 September, is the southern route – St John's Way. The group will walk from Southwark's St George's Cathedral and pass by Westminster Cathedral. On 4 September the eastern route – St Luke's Way – starts at the Cathedral of St John the Baptist in Norwich and passing by the National Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham. Finally, the shortest route – St Mark's Way – departs from Leeds in the north of England. Leaving St Anne's Cathedral on 6 September. Find out more at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/jubilee-2025-pilgrimage/>

Here in Westminster we have the "Westminster Way", a pilgrimage route from Tower Hill to the Cathedral, taking in a number of significant sites of Catholic history. We hope to find a Saturday in the autumn to walk this way as a parish group for the Jubilee. Watch this Newsletter for details, and find out more at <https://rcdow.org.uk/jubilee-2025/> Pilgrimage walking has always been an expression of Catholic piety and each diocese has a similar initiative.

Fr James

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN GIVING

Don't forget you can also make an offering via the 'Touch & Tap' at the door. For details of methods of Planned Giving, see the leaflet at the door of Church. Parish bank account details are below, and on the website *Donate* page.

PARISH BANK DETAILS: HSBC

Sort code: 40-05-20

Acct. No.: 11263137

Acct name: WRCDT ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY FULHAM

DEACON WAYNE: Mark your diary for Sunday 7 September (NEXT SUNDAY!). As you will have heard from Dcn Wayne or read in this Newsletter, 7 Sept is his last Sunday with us formally in his Deacon's ministry. (Dcn Wayne continues as our Parish Catechetical Coordinator.) To mark this we'll have a Reception with a chance to spend a little time with Dcn Wayne after the 12Noon Mass. Can you help? Contact Katrina at katrinagoodwinmurphy@gmail.com

SOCIETY OF St VINCENT DE PAUL (SVP): Thanks to everyone who came to either information evenings with a view to setting up a Conference of the SVP in the parish. The SVP provides an umbrella structure to organise voluntary work in the parish. There will be a follow-up meeting to take this further on **TUESDAY 9 SEPTEMBER at 7.30pm in No.62**. Still open to any interested, or just curious, but at this meeting we hope to formally sign up members to start the actual founding of a local Conference. In the meantime, ask Fr James for info, and visit svp.org.uk

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM SATURDAY 20 SEPT: We have booked a coach together with Holy Cross parish for the **Jubilee Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Our Lady**. £40 per seat includes pilgrimage contribution. £20 for those under 16 Years. Mass with Cardinal Vincent, Reconciliations, Rosary procession on the Holy Mile, Benediction in the old Abbey grounds. Costs of coach hire are becoming very expensive, but this is a lovely day. Whether you are a Walsingham veteran, or have never been before, come for the day! There's a sign-up sheet in church, payments can be made to the Office or Fr James.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR CANONISATION OF St CARLO ACUTIS: At Our Lady of Dolours, Fulham Road on Saturday 13 Sept at 3pm with Cardinal Vincent. (St Carlo was baptised in Our Lady of Dolours).

MARCH FOR LIFE UK SAT 6 SEPTEMBER: Events at Emmanuel Centre, Marsham St SW1 10.00am - 1pm. This consists of a Pro-life Human Rights Summit, sessions for children of all ages, prolife stalls from organisations across the country and much more; Mass at the Cathedral 10.30am; March to Parliament Square 1.30pm. See posters/ flyers in church for contact info. *This is a growing annual act of witness and resources and is right on*

our doorstep. Join Catholics and others from across the UK. Contact: info@marchforlife.co.uk. Tel: Isabel: 07773 501721 or Ben: 07885 505116.

MESSAGE FROM "RIGHT TO LIFE UK": The Leadbeater assisted suicide Bill is expected to have its Second Reading in the House of Lords on Friday 12 September. Right To Life UK has launched an *EasyAction* tool to help you write to a few Peers with a tailored message to highlight key concerns with the Bill.

Please take action now and visit www.righttolife.org.uk/aspeers to ask Peers to oppose assisted suicide - it takes just 30 seconds!

A MESSAGE FROM CAFOD: Your donations to Gaza since the start of the conflict have been a vital lifeline. Right now, CAFOD's partner, Caritas Jerusalem, is delivering essential medical treatment to displaced people and providing medicines to treat chronic illnesses. We have helped 1,400 households with cash to buy supplies in the last month and we are currently feeding 2,000 people with new stocks of flour and rice. Despite the restrictions on aid coming into Gaza, CAFOD's local partners are working tirelessly to help people. With your support, they will do all in their power to keep doing so. Find out more about how you can make a difference in Gaza at cafod.org.uk.

CARDINAL VAUGHAN SCHOOL OPEN EVENINGS: Year 7 open evenings will be held on Thurs 11 Sept and Weds 17 Sept. The Headmaster will address parents and pupils at 4.30pm and again at 6.00pm. Following each speech, parents will be taken on a tour of the school. The online application link is available at www.cvms.co.uk/admissions

WIMBLEDON COLLEGE OPEN EVENINGS: See the poster in church for full details. The College invites prospective parents and pupils for admission into Year 7 in September 2026 on 25th Sept from 5pm to 8.00pm. Full details at www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk/openevents.

WEBSITE "E-ALERTS": On the Website Home Page you can now subscribe to "E-Alerts." This means we will send an email weekly with the Newsletter and any notices, and send out any other short-notice information as it happens.

CHURCH TOILET: At present, the toilet in church is open all day as the church is open. Over the year I have been here I have had to put on my Marigolds regularly to clear up mess (shall we say) in the hand basin and the toilet bowl, not to speak of our heroic weekly cleaners. I'm considering whether this is a service we should offer the public and it may be time to start locking the loo outside of Mass times. I would welcome any observations on this. - Fr James.