### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

Marie Bernadette Coveney; Angelita Mendoza; Bridget Paice; Della McEnroe; Daniel Kennedy and all the faithful departed.

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

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Saturday 11th October

6.00 pm Marie Coveney (RIP - 3rd anniv)

SUNDAY 12th 8.30 am The People of the Parish

10.00 am Intentions of Pope Leo

28th SUNDAY IN 12 Noon Angelita Mendoza (RIP)

ORDINARY TIME 6.00 pm -

Monday 13th 9.30 am Bridget Paice (RIP)

St EDWARD THE CONFESSOR

Patron of the Diocese

Tuesday 14th 9.30am -

10.30am Tuesday Morning Prayer Group

2.30pm St Anthony Prayer Group

Wednesday 15th No Mass today. Church is closed.

St Teresa of Jesus, Virgin &

Doctor of the Church

Thursday 16th 9.30am -

Friday 17th 9.30 am -

St Ignatius of Antioch, Bp & Martyr

Saturday 18th 10.00 am The sick and housebound St LUKE, Evangelist 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)



## CATHOLIC CHURCH OF St THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, FULHAM

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Dear Friends,

October is the Month of the Holy Rosary, made so as the Feast of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary falls during the month. As you know, Pope Leo has invited all the faithful to each pray the Rosary every day of October for the cause of peace, and yesterday (11th Oct) was a day dedicated by His Holiness to the specific cause of peace in the Holy Land at the second anniversary of Oct 7. Now, whilst not every devotion or form of



prayer is for everyone, the Holy Rosary offers something for all. Do take up the Holy Father's invitation this month, and maybe make a new life habit. There are some leaflets about praying the Rosary, both for adults and children, in the literature racks. Below are some thoughts of Matthew Kelly of Dynamic Catholic to aid our endeavours:

"The beads are so small, but praying the Rosary is monumental, historic. It is ancient and new at once — a spiritual practice for the people of all ages. It rewards us a hundred times for our efforts. It has led countless people from all walks of life to the riches of peace, joy, clarity and contentment. But don't take my words for it. Try it for yourself."

"Every time you pray the Rosary, Jesus welcomes you into his life and you welcome him into yours. Only great things can happen when you invite Jesus into your life."

"Prayer doesn't change God. It changes us. It's not about convincing him of our will. It's about surrendering to his will. That is when our souls dance for joy."

"Mary's radical humility is an encyclopaedia of lessons about the inner life. Imagine how rich her inner life must have been. Imagine what it was like for the first Christians to seek her counsel and guidance. Now it is your turn. What an amazing opportunity."

#### 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

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING: Thanks to all who supported Alexandra last week. So far she's raised £900 for Macmillan Cancer Support! Updated from last week!

PRAYER FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY IMPRISONMENT: Today is Prisons Sunday and ahead a week of prayer for all affected by imprisonment. Visit www.prisonadvice.org.uk for how you can support PACT, the Catholic charity supporting those so affected. Newsletter also in church.

FRIENDS FOR FRIENDS HARVEST SUPPER & MORE: "Friends for friends2 nvites each and everyone for a night of food, drinks and music for our Harvest Day Party on the 18th of October. Tickets would be £5 for each adult. Kids go free. Celebrations would begin in the school hall, Estcourt Road, at 7pm after the 6pm mass." TICKETS ON SALE TODAY OR FROM THE PARISH OFFICE.- Come and spend some time together and maybe get your dancing shoes on.

**SOCIETY OF St VINCENT DE PAUL (SVP):** Next planning meeting is on *THURSDAY 6 NOVEMBER at 7.30pm in No.62*. Open to any who are interested. We are now at the stage of processing membership applications. Whether you want to be involved in the new Conference of the SVP or not, please pray for this initiative.

PLANNED GIVING: Today and next Sunday: the Finance Committee will be making a presentation about Planned Giving to the parish. The Cardinal asks every parish to review our Planned Giving every few years to take into account changed circumstances for households in the parish and to promote efficient ways to provide for our needs. Please do take home and read the leaflet handed to you on the way in to Mass today. Next weekend there will be a chance to renew Planned Giving arrangements and Gist Aid Declarations, and also to volunteer for and express an interest in many aspects of the life of the parish.

**PRAYING THE ROSARY IN OCTOBER:** Pope Leo has asked all the faithful to pray the Rosary in October for the cause of peace, and especially on 11 October. He said: "Dear brothers and sisters, the month of October is now approaching, and in the Church it is dedicated in a special way to the

Holy Rosary. Therefore, I invite everyone, every day of the coming month, to pray the Rosary for peace: personally, in the family & the community."

AN EVENING OF UKRAINIAN MUSIC SONG & VERSE: In aid of Krainian front line charities. 15th October at 7pm at St Cuthbert's Church, 50 Philbeach Gardens SW5 in Earl's Court. Poster in church.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY:** Thank you for your support of our anticipated appeal last weekend for WMS. If you still wish to add to this via regular envelopes or with Giftaid, there are particular envelopes for this in church, with a poster for further info. Put any envelopes in the regular offertory. Do also pick up a copy of *Mission Today*, the news magazine from *MISSIO* - the Holy Father's umbrella organisation for supporting missionary activity around the world.

WALK THE WESTMINSTER WAY: Our diocesan Jubilee pilgrimage - described as a gentle (ish) walk of about 5 miles from Tower Hill to the Cathedral, passing through Moorfields, Charterhouse, Ely Place, Maiden Lane and Westminster, taking in significant sites of Catholic history. Fr James proposes walking the pilgrimage on Saturday 8 November. More info to follow - mark the date! I hope to do a "recce" on this in the coming week - full practical details next weekend.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY: See the poster in church for more contact details. This year's harvest Fast Day is on 3 October. ENVELOPES AVAILABLE NOW for you to take part and return if you wish to take part in addition to the direct links to CAFOD, but this year we won't be having a collection additionally for this. Go to cafod.org.uk for further information about supporting work in Gaza.

**SACRED HEART SCHOOL HAMMERSMITH OPEN EVENINGS: Sixth Form Open Evening:** Thursday 16 October 2025: 4:00–6:00pm

**FAMILIES SEEKING ENDORSEMENT OF SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS:** Fr James will be available to discuss the endorsement of secondary school applications on Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 October. To make an appointment please telephone the Parish Office (during office hours). Please note that arrangements for applications to Primary schools will be available at a later date.

**DATES LOOKING AHEAD:** Note that this year the **SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS** is kept on Sunday 2 November. The **COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS' DAY)** is kept on Monday 3 Nov, with Masses at 9.30am & 7.30pm offered for the Holy Souls.