



High Wycombe Catholic Parishes

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

27 September 2026



"A warm welcome to all parishioners and visitors joining us this Sunday."

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*OLG – Our Lady of Grace 29 Squirrel Lane, Booker, High Wycombe, HP12 4RY.

*SW – St Wulstan's Church Hollis Rd, High Wycombe HP13 7UN.

MASS INTENTIONS: DATES & TIMES

Saturday 26 Sep – *Sts Cosmas & Damian, Martyrs*
5:00 pm (OLG) – Foundation – J. J. Rutledge

Sunday 27 Sep – **26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
9:00 am (StAug) – Jaxon Horia Davidson Intentions
9:00 am (SW) – Frances Irene Fryer RIP and of family consolation
11:00 am (StAug) – Thanksgiving Mass, Joseph & Sincy Family
11:00 am (OLG) – Phil Thomas RIP
6:00 pm (StAug) –

Monday 28 Sep – *St. Lawrence Ruiz & Companions. Martyrs*
St. Wenceslas. Martyr.
9:30 am (StAug) – Jinu Chacko

Tuesday 29 Sep – *Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels*
9:30 am (StAug) – Philip Rake Intentions
10:00 am (SW) – Martin McDonagh RIP

Wednesday 30 Sep – St Jerome, Priest and Doctor
9:30 am (StAug) – Martin MacDonagh RIP

Thursday 1 Oct – *St Therese of Lisieux Virgin & Doctor*
9:30 am (StAug) – Thanksgiving Mass
7:00 pm (OLG) –

Friday 2 Oct –
9:30 am (StAug) – Anthony Samuel Intentions
10:00 am (SW) –

Saturday 3 Oct –
9:30 am (StAug) – Angela Campbell Intentions
5:00 pm (OLG) – Mary Aseervatham RIP

Sunday 4 Oct – **27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
9:00 am (StAug) –
9:00 am (SW) – Ihuoma Alichukwu Intentions
11:00 am (StAug) –
11:00 am (OLG) – Rowena Williams healing and recovery
6:00 pm (StAug) –

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Ezekiel 18:25-28

Psalms 25:4-9

Philippians 2:1-11

Matthew 21:28-32

Entrance Antiphon

All that you have done to us, O Lord,
You have done with true judgement,
For we have sinned against you and not obeyed your
commandments. But give glory to your name and
deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

Psalm Response

Remember your compassion, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord,
And I know them, and they follow me.

Eucharistic Acclamation

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and
Resurrection you have set us free.

Communion Antiphon

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by
which you have given me hope. This is my comfort
when I am brought low.

CONFESSIONS

OLG	Thursday 6:30-7:00 pm
StAug	Saturday 10:15-11:00 am
SW	Saturday 11:30-12:00 pm

MONEY MATTERS — Thank you! 😊

St AUGUSTINE'S: £948.29+ standing orders: c.£696

St J.H. NEWMAN: £727.21 + standing orders: c. £550

CHILDREN'S LITURGY 🙏

Children who have not yet made their First Holy Communion are warmly invited to join us for **Children's Liturgy** during the **11am Mass at St Augustine's** and at the Sunday morning Masses across our other parish churches.

TEA AND COFFEE

We warmly invite you to stay for a drink and a chat:

- After the 11:00 am Mass at St Augustine's (Upper Room)
- After Sunday morning Mass at both St Wulstan and Our Lady of Grace Churches
- After the Second Sunday of the month Vigil Mass at Our Lady of Grace Church
- On the second Tuesday of the month, after the Mass, at St Wulstan Church
- After Thursday Mass at St Augustine's (sacristy)

SVP WEDNESDAY FRIENDSHIP GROUP The SVP Wednesday Friendship Group meets at St Augustine's after 9:30 am Mass each Wednesday. All are welcome for a chance to chat, play board games, and enjoy tea and biscuits – or even cake!

OUR LADY OF GRACE – GAMES DAY on the **1st Wednesday** of the month, whatever your age (18–80+), for a time of chat, games, and refreshment from **1:00 pm** onwards. A contribution of £2 is requested to cover the cost of refreshments. All are welcome!

CONFIRMATION 2027

We are pleased to announce that **applications for Confirmation open this Sunday**. Application forms are available in the **church porch**. Please complete your form and **return it to the church by Sunday 29 November**.

Details of the Confirmation preparation sessions will be shared soon once the dates have been confirmed.

GROWING IN FAITH

MORNING PRAYER: Morning Prayer (Lauds) is usually said at 9:15 am, from Monday to Friday, at St Augustine's church. We use the *Universalis* App, which is available for smartphones and tablets. In the settings, select **England – Northampton Diocese**.



EXPOSITION & ADORATION:

St Augustine's: Saturday after Mass, finishing at 11:00 am.

St Wulstan's: First Tuesday of the month after Mass until 11:00 am

Our Lady of Grace: Thursdays from 6:30–7:00 pm

HOLY ROSARY ON MONDAYS & FRIDAYS:

After the 9:30 am Mass at St Augustine's.

ONLINE ROSARY: All are welcome!

Thursday evenings 8:00–8:30 pm *via* Zoom. For joining details, please contact Deacon Brin on 07931 607249.



PRAYER GROUP at St Augustine's:

28 September	–	Zoom, 8:00 pm
5 October	–	Zoom, 8:00 pm
12 October	–	Zoom, 8:00 pm
19 October	–	Upper Room, 7:30 pm

For Zoom details, please contact Deacon Brin.

LECTIO DIVINA via Zoom – Our Thursday morning sessions reflect on the Word of God for the forthcoming Sunday. They run on Thursdays from

11:00 am to 12:30 pm, and you can join from 10:45 am. For details of how to join, please contact **Anne Freier** at freier1961@gmail.com, or **Kathy Russell** at karussell143@aol.com. All are welcome!

Second Wednesday Worship at OLG – The Source Community Worship with Adoration at Our Lady of Grace from 7.30-9.00pm – followed by coffee and cake. All welcome. For more info or lifts call Dominic 07754 051840

GENERAL NEWS & INFORMATION

SICK & HOME VISITS – If you know of anyone who is ill or housebound, please ask them to call Fr Jonathan so we can arrange a visit and, if they wish, receive Holy Communion.

CHURCH CLEANING ROTA (St Augustine's)

30 September : Winston & Prem
7 October : Liz & Mari
17 October : Valentina & Kennedy
21 October : Pauline & Tony

St Augustine's – Wednesday Cleaners Needed

St Augustine's Parish is seeking new volunteers to join the church cleaning team, especially those who are able to help on Wednesdays. If you are able to assist, please speak directly to **Fr Jonathan Hill**.

Support for Asylum Seekers – Many thanks for the generous response so far! The St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) in Maidenhead needs **good-quality clothing, trainers, children's toys, toiletries, unopened make-up, suitcases, and old mobile phones or laptops** (with data removed) for asylum seekers housed in a local hotel. Please bring your donations to the parish. Your support makes a difference. Thanks!

UNBOUND – Book Study

"Unbound" is a gently guided healing-prayer ministry of Catholic origin, widely endorsed by the Catholic Bishops. Its purpose is to help people experience the True Freedom that Christ won for us.

Northampton Diocese has recently authorised a team to offer this ministry under the patronage of **Our Lady Undoer of Knots**. We warmly invite you to join us for a reflective study of the **Unbound** book by **Neal Lozano**. Over eight weeks, we will read and reflect on the first seven chapters, one chapter each week. Prayer ministry will be available at the end of the course for those who wish to receive it. Please purchase the book (via Amazon or the Unbound UK website) and read Chapter 1 before the first session.

Wednesdays, 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm, Upper Room at St Augustine's. Starting: 16 September. Refreshments provided. For more information, please email:

unboundoluk@gmail.com. Flyers are available at the back of the church.

NYMO Family Day – Sunday 27 September

Families across the Diocese are invited to the **NYMO Family Day today**, held at the **Holy Ghost Parish Centre**, Luton, from **2.15pm–6.00pm**. The afternoon includes **Mass at 3.00pm**, refreshments, and sessions for adults and children – a joyful chance to grow in faith and community together.

There is no charge, but donations are welcome, and **booking is essential**. Families can **register** here: <https://sioncommunity.churchsuite.com/events/no5fkk9f>

ST VINCENT DE PAUL FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS

Come and celebrate the Feast Day of St Vincent de Paul with us! This is a wonderful opportunity to meet old friends, make new ones, and learn a little more about the work of the SVP in our parish community.

Wed 30 Sep — Breakfast Bap following the 9:30 am Mass at **St Augustine's**.

Sun 4 October—Celebration Lunch (soup, bread and cakes) following the 11:00 am Mass at **Our Lady of Grace**. Everyone is warmly welcome. We look forward to celebrating together!

EMMAUS – Opening the Scriptures – We are delighted to highlight the next session in this year's series, offered by the South Bucks Pastoral Area. These monthly talks provide an opportunity to deepen our love for Scripture and grow together in faith.

7 October – Faith in the Middle of Doubt – Meeting God in our questions — Speaker: Fr Theophilus Nyamali OCD

Venue: St Joseph's Church, Gerrards Cross (SL9 8RY)
Time: Wednesday, 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm

All are warmly invited to attend in person or online.

Register: www.stjosephs.org.uk/Emmaus

Watch online: youtube.com/@Emmaussouthbucks

St John Henry Newman – 9 October

On **9 October**, the Church celebrates the memorial of **St John Henry Newman**, a convert, priest, cardinal and influential Catholic thinker. His life and writings continue to inspire us to grow in faith and holiness.

Quiz Night in aid of Bega Kwa Bega — A Quiz Night in Aid of Bega Kwa Bega Uganda will be held on **Friday 30 October at Our Lady of Grace, Booker, Squirrel Lane, HP12 4RY**.

Doors open at 7:30 pm, with the quiz starting at 8:00 pm. Tickets are £10 per person. For further information or tickets, please contact **Dave Russell** on **07951570351** or **Karussell** on **07956221954**

For more information about Bega Kwa Bega Uganda , please visit www.BkBUganda.org.

John Rutter Christmas Celebration – Friday 4 December 2026, 7:30 pm, Royal Albert Hall, London.

We are delighted to share an opportunity to attend this much-loved annual Christmas concert at the Royal Albert Hall. A limited number of **discounted stall tickets are available at £58 each**, (usual price £80). **Coach transport** will be arranged from **West Wycombe** or **Turnpike Roundabout**. Final cost will depend on numbers travelling. To reserve tickets or enquire about travel, please email **Michèle** at: machoddy@gmail.com. All welcome — a wonderful way to begin the Advent and Christmas season.

Adoremus – National Eucharistic Congress

The Diocese of Northampton will be represented at **Adoremus 2026** on **Saturday 10 October**, as Catholics gather in **Southwark** and **Westminster Cathedrals** for a national celebration of the Eucharist. Our Diocese has **50 places**, and we ask you to keep our representatives in your prayers. Parishes are encouraged to mark the weekend locally with **Holy Hours, Adoration**, or a **Eucharistic Procession**, joining spiritually with the national gathering.

CAFOD Harvest Family Fast Day: Friday 2 October

Friday 2 October is CAFOD's **Harvest Family Fast Day**. We are invited to pray, fast and give to support communities facing hunger and a lack of safe water.

Sunday 4 October – CAFOD: There will be a **Harvest Fast Day collection** for the **Catholic Agency for Overseas Development (CAFOD)**. **CAFOD donation envelopes are available in the porch**. Please give generously to support CAFOD's work with communities in need.

Harvest Day – Sunday 4 October

As we celebrate **Harvest Day**, we warmly invite you to bring donations of **non-perishable food items** to any of our Masses:

- **9:00 am** – St Wulstan's Church
- **11:00 am** – Our Lady of Grace Church
- **11:00 am** – St Augustine's Church

Donations may include **tinned foods, pasta, rice, cereals, tea, coffee, biscuits, long-life milk** and other store-cupboard essentials. **Donations will be given to local food banks.**

Thank you for your kindness and generosity as we give thanks for God's gifts and share with those in need.

FOR OUR YOUNGER MEMBERS

YOUTH CLUB

For the latest information from the Northampton Youth Ministry team, NYMO, about upcoming events

for teens, young adults and those working with young people in our diocese, please visit <https://nymo.org/news-2/>. **YOUTH CLUB** for those aged 9-15 meet up at St Wulstan's parish room on Saturday afternoons in term time 4pm-5.30pm. If interested in joining or volunteering, please contact **Leticia** on **07506 421908** or email her at lrcadenuga@yahoo.co.uk. All are welcome!

Useful Website Links:

- northamptondiocese.org
- northamptondiocese.org/donate
- catholicreadings.org
- cafod.org.uk
- cbcew.org.uk - (Catholic Bishops' Conference for England & Wales)
- walsingham.org.uk
- www.heavensroadfm.com

Let us pray...

Prayer to St Michael

Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust down to hell Satan and all the wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.



Prayer of Spiritual Communion

(This prayer can be said by anyone not receiving the Eucharist at Mass.)

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and I unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Prayer for Peace of Pope Saint John XXIII

Lord Jesus Christ, who are called the Prince of Peace, who are yourself our peace and reconciliation, who so often said, "Peace to you", grant us peace.

Make all people witnesses of truth, justice, and brotherly love. Banish from our hearts whatever might endanger peace. Enlighten our rulers that they may guarantee and defend the great gift of peace. May all peoples of the earth become as brothers and sisters, that the longed-for peace may blossom forth.