



High Wycombe Catholic Parishes

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

11 October 2026



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

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***StAug** — St Augustine Church, 24 Amersham Hill, High Wycombe HP13 6NZ.
***OLG** — Our Lady of Grace 29 Squirrel Lane, Booker, High Wycombe, HP12 4RY.
***SW** — St Wulstan's Church, Hollis Road, High Wycombe, HP13 7UN.

MASS INTENTIONS: DATES & TIMES

Saturday 10 Oct — *St Paulinus of York, Bishop*
5:00 pm (OLG) — Annie & Patrick Geraghty RIP

Sunday 11 Oct — **28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
9:00 am (StAug) — Norah & Terry Doherty Intentions
9:00 am (SW) — Zbyszek Wilimowski Anniv.
11:00 am (StAug) — Johanna Hurley &
Maud Thomas RIP
11:00 am (OLG) — Maria Cullen —
Healing & Recovery
6:00 pm (StAug) — Peppi Fernandes

Monday 12 Oct — *St Wilfrid, Bishop*
9:30 am (StAug) — Cibelle, Renée & Rhea Intentions

Tuesday 13 Oct — *St Edward, the Confessor*
9:30 am (StAug) — Kathleen Duffy RIP
10:00 am (SW) — Margaret & Ronan Yovens Intentions

Wednesday 14 Oct — *St Callistus I, Pope & Martyr*
9:30 am (StAug) — Michael Hagerty RIP

Thursday 15 Oct — *St Teresa of Ávila, Virgin & Doctor*
9:30 am (StAug) — Holy Souls
7:00 pm (OLG) —

Friday 16 Oct — *St Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin*
9:30 am (StAug) — Cibelle, Renée & Rhea Intentions
10:00 am (SW) —

Saturday 17 Oct — *St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr*
9:30 am (StAug) — Foundation - Rutledge
5:00 pm (OLG) —

Sunday 18 Oct — **29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
9:00 am (StAug) — Tricia Jacob Birthday
9:00 am (SW) —
11:00 am (StAug) — Antonio & Carlo Ortinero RIP Anniv.
11:00 am (OLG) — Maureen Styles RIP
6:00 pm (StAug) — Cyril D'Souza

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 25:6–10 Psalm 23(22):1-6
Philippians 4:12-14,19,20 Matthew 22:1–14

Entrance Antiphon

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?

But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel

Psalm Response

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
For length of days unending

Gospel Acclamation

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
enlighten the eyes of our hearts,
So that we may know the hope to which he has
called us.

Eucharistic Acclamation

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.

Communion Antiphon

The rich suffer want and go hungry,
But those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

CONFESSIONS

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

MONEY MATTERS — Thank you! 😊

StAUGUSTINE'S: £984.11 + CAFOD collection:
£839.82 + standing orders: c. £696
St J.H. NEWMAN: £564.35 + CAFOD collection:
£839.35 + 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 **11:00 am Mass at St Augustine's** and during 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 5:00 pm Saturday vigil Mass at Our Lady of Grace on the second Saturday of each month
- 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!

Upcoming Second Collections:-

Next **Sunday, 18 October**, we will celebrate **World Mission Sunday**, supporting the **Pope's charity** for the Church's worldwide mission.

Funeral Mass - Anne Robertson

The Funeral Mass for the late Anne Robertson will take place at 1pm on Wednesday, 21st October at St Wulstan's Church.
May her soul Rest in Peace

CONFIRMATION 2027

We are delighted to announce that applications for Confirmation are now **open**. Young people who are currently in **Year 9** and wish to receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation** are warmly invited to apply.

Application forms are available in the church porch. Please complete the form and return it to the church by **Sunday 29 November**.

We look forward to accompanying our young people on this important journey of faith and preparation. Details of the preparation sessions will be shared soon once the dates have been confirmed.

Mobile Phones

To help maintain a peaceful and prayerful atmosphere during Mass, we kindly ask all parishioners to switch off their mobile phones upon entering the church, unless needed for an emergency, or to put them on silent. If you are unsure how to silence your phone, please consider whether you need to bring it with you. Should you require it, you may leave your phone securely in the Sacristy before Mass and collect it afterwards.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

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:

12 October	–	Zoom, 8:00 pm
19 October	–	Zoom, 8:00 pm
26 October	–	Upper Room, 7:30 pm
2 November	–	Zoom, 8:00 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 offers worship and Adoration at Our Lady of Grace on the second Wednesday of each month, from 7:30–9:00 pm, followed by coffee and cake. All are welcome. For more information or help with transport, call Dominic on 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)

14 October	:	Winston & Prem
24 October	:	Valentina & Kennedy
28 October	:	Liz
4 November	:	Pauline & Tony

St Augustine's – Wednesday Cleaners Needed

Volunteers are needed to help clean the church, especially on Wednesdays. Please speak to **Fr Jonathan Hill** if you can help.

Prisoners' Sunday – Sunday 11 October

This Sunday, we pray for prisoners and their families, victims and survivors of crime, and all those affected by the criminal justice system. Pact, the Catholic prison charity, supports people in prison and helps families stay connected.

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!

Preaching in the Light of the Quiet Revival

The Catholic Association of Preachers will host a webinar, *"Preaching in the Light of the Quiet Revival,"* on **Thursday 15 October at 4:30pm** via Zoom. Deacons, priests, chaplains, catechists and parish evangelisation leaders are invited. For the Zoom link, email admin@catholicassociationofpreachers.org.uk.

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

Doors open at **7:30 pm**, and the quiz starts at **8:00 pm**. Tickets cost £10 per person. For further information or tickets, please contact **Dave Russell** on **07951 570351** or **Kathy Russell** on **07956 221954**.

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

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.

Wednesday 4 November – Put on the Mind of Christ (Philippians 2:5) — Speaker: Fr Simon Penhalagan
Venue: St Joseph's Church, Gerrards Cross (SL9 8RY).
Time: 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

Big Sleepout 2026 – Friday 13 November –

Wycombe Homeless Connection's Big Sleepout 2026 will take place on **Friday 13 November, 6:00 to 10:00 pm**, at **The Walled Garden, West Wycombe**. Come along, build a shelter and sleep out under the November sky to raise vital funds for people facing the housing crisis. Book today at wyhoc.org.uk/bigsleepout2026.

John Rutter Christmas Celebration – Friday 4 December, 7:30 pm, Royal Albert Hall, London. Discounted stall tickets £58 (usual £80), with coach transport from West Wycombe or Turnpike Roundabout. To reserve or make an enquiry, email **Michèle: machoddy@gmail.com**.

All are welcome — a wonderful way to begin the Advent and Christmas season.

House of Mission & Prayer

The Divine Mercy Chaplet continues to be prayed **fortnightly on Wednesdays** until **23 December**, from **7:00–7:45pm**, both **in person** at the House of Mission & Prayer in Northampton and **via Zoom**. To join, please email **admin.mission@northamptondiocese.org** or **Maria.heath@northamptondiocese.org** for the meeting details.

KEEPING IT PLAYING

We are planning a new fundraising initiative to enable the restoration of the organ at St Augustine's. Over time, we hope to raise £40,000. There will be many different ways to participate in this endeavour, which will be announced shortly. Our aim is not simply to restore an old organ, but to preserve a living instrument for the future of the parish.

Pope's Prayer Intention for October

Pope Leo XIV asks us to pray for greater support for mental health ministry in the Church and for an end to stigma and discrimination.

October: Month of the Holy Rosary

October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, and Pope Leo XIV invites all Christians to pray for peace and an end to war. Parishes are encouraged to offer opportunities for praying the Rosary together and to renew devotion to Our Lady during this special month.

October Rosary Challenge

This October, OLICAT Schools is bringing the Diocese together for a 12,000-decade Rosary Challenge, praying especially for every parish and school across our Diocese. Families and parish communities are encouraged to join in this prayerful initiative

Celebrating Blessed Fulton Sheen

St Gregory the Great Parish in Northampton recently celebrated a Sung Mass honouring Blessed Fulton J. Sheen. Parishioners prayed for priests ordained within the last decade and for an increase in vocations, with many venerating a relic of Blessed Sheen.

FOR OUR YOUNGER MEMBERS

YOUTH CLUB

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

for teenagers, young adults and those working with young people in our diocese, please visit <https://nymo.org/news-2/>. The Youth Club for those aged 9–15 meets in St Wulstan's parish room on Saturday afternoons during term time, from 4:00 to 5:30 pm. If interested in joining or volunteering, please contact **Leticia** on **07506 421908** or email her at **ltcadenuga@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, and 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.

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, pray for us.