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PARISH BULLETIN

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There's a pebble in my shoe
between the soul and the heal.

There's a pebble in my shoe
between the soul and the heal
that no one else can know or feel.

There's a pebble in my shoe
between the soul and the heal
that no one else can know or feel
but you who have made the journey.

There's a pebble in my shoe
between the soul and the heal
that no one else can know or feel
but you who have made the journey
of your life one with mine.

—Kevin Anderson

St. Joseph's Parish Centre

We are thrilled to announce the grand "Reboot" of our beloved Parish Centre! This marks a brand-new chapter for St. Joseph's as we breathe life into our vision of being "Open, Affirming, and Inclusive." Our Parish Centre is now ready to serve as a vibrant hub for all parish activities!

Thanks to the dedication and hard work of our incredible Parish Centre Committee—Christine, El, Matt, and Mike—this vision is becoming a reality. We are also delighted to introduce Krystyna Salthouse as the newly appointed Manager of the Parish Centre. Welcome to the St. Joseph's family, Krystyna!

For all your event bookings and inquiries, please reach out to us at parishcentre.highgate@gmail.com or stjosephsparishcentre@rcdow.org.uk. Let's celebrate life together by hosting your "Lifecycle Events" at our revitalized centre!

A special thanks to the HR Department of Westminster for their invaluable support during the recruitment process, and to Fr. Jenish for his enthusiastic collaboration with Krystyna.

Spread the word and let's make the new centre a buzzing space for joy, learning, and community!

Join us in this exciting journey, and experience the warmth and inclusivity of St. Joseph's Parish Centre. We can't wait to share this adventure with you!



Invitation to Join the Acolyte Ministry - Altar Servers



Dear Parents and Children,

We invite you to consider an exciting opportunity to serve our faith community in a special way by becoming an Acolyte at St. Joseph's Church. This is a wonderful chance to deepen your faith, participate in our worship services, and connect with others in our parish.

We are thrilled to share the great news that Valentina Devis has joined us as the new Altar Servers' Coordinator. We extend our heartfelt thanks to her for generously offering her guidance and leadership to our wonderful Altar Servers. Valentina's dedication will surely enrich our ministry and help us grow together in faith.

As an Acolyte, your duties may include assisting the priest and other ministers, carrying the cross, lighting candles, and helping prepare the altar for communion. No previous experience is required, and there is no age limit — we will provide all the training and preparation you need.

Here are some reasons why you might be excited to join this ministry:

- Serve at the Altar: Engage more fully in our worship services and offer your gifts to God.
- Grow in Faith: Enhance your understanding of our liturgy and traditions while growing in your relationship with God.
- Build Community: Connect with other Acolytes and ministers, forming lasting friendships and mutual support in your faith journey.
- Make a Difference: Help create a beautiful and meaningful worship experience for our community.

Support with School Uniform

You or someone you know may be eligible for a School Uniform Grant from Islington Council. These support families preparing for the new academic year in buying school uniform if your child is moving to secondary school from year 6. For more information, including eligibility please visit Islington Council website.

100 CLUB RESULTS

The draw for July was held at the Monastery on 7th August. The number of entries was 97 and the winners were: **£400 J.P. Kennedy (44)**, **£100 Nick Sharp (166)**, **£50 Felicity Jukes (87)**. Thank you once again to all who support the parish in this way."

SAVE THE DATE

Lectio Divina

Tue. 7pm-8pm at Red Room
Wed. 10:30am-12 at Bupa

Volunteer as a Catechist:

Ignite the Light of Faith

"Catechists are people who keep the memory of God alive; They keep it alive in themselves, and they are able to revive it in others." - Pope Francis

Dear Parishioners,

We invite you to consider a fulfilling opportunity to become a catechist and help nurture the faith of our community. Whether guiding children through Communion and Confirmation, leading the Children's Liturgy, or supporting adults in the RCIA Programme, your dedication can inspire lasting spiritual growth. Embrace this chance to share the joy of faith and make a meaningful difference in the lives of others. Join us in this sacred mission and reignite the divine spark within our parish community.



We are profoundly grateful for your generous contributions to last weekend's collection, totalling an impressive £1532. Your kindness and support empower us to serve and nurture God's Kingdom. Together, we make a significant impact on our community and beyond. May God's blessings shower upon you and your loved ones. Thank you sincerely for your support.

Please pray for the recently deceased members of our Parish and their grieving families. May we lift up in prayer the souls of our departed sisters and brothers from our parish, may they find eternal peace in the arms of our loving God. And may we ask for comfort and strength for their families as they navigate through their grief and loss. Let us come together in solidarity and support, holding each other up in prayer during this difficult time.

Maurice William (Wed. 27 Aug. 10:30am)

ST. JOSEPH'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR 2025

Save the Date: Saturday, 15th November 2025, from 12pm to 4pm

Join us as we unwrap the joy of the season at the St. Joseph's Christmas Bazaar! With hearts brimming with joy and gratitude, we extend a warm invitation to everyone for a day teeming with festive cheer and community spirit.



- Hampers and quality toys
- Bottles for our Tombola
- Bric-a-brac, jewellery, and accessories
- Plants and kitchenware
- Crafts and raffle items from local businesses.

Please drop off

Celebrate the Season with Us!

Our beloved Bazaar, brought to life by the inspiring dedication of Abuk, Diana, Roni, Bernard, Fessehayee, and Gerald, promises an enchanting experience for all. Your participation and support will help us craft beautiful holiday memories together.

all donations in the sacristy. Your contributions are vital for our event's success!



Exciting Raffle!

Get your raffle tickets from the month of September—just £1 each or £10 for a book of ten. Don't miss the grand draw at the Bazaar featuring fantastic prizes like gift vouchers and luxurious hampers! Your unwavering support and kindness make all the difference. Together, let's make this year's Christmas Bazaar a memorable celebration. All proceeds will lovingly support our cherished church needs.

For more details or to sign up as a volunteer, please connect with our priests or the Bazaar team after every Mass. Mark your calendars and join this joyful occasion! We can't wait to celebrate with you!

St. Joseph's Parish Hall
— Let the Spirit of Christmas Shine Bright!

How You Can Help:

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Friday, 14th November: Lend a hand as we set up stalls and prepare the venue for a magical day.
- Saturday, 15th November: Dive into the festivities by volunteering at various stalls and activities.

Donations Needed:

Your generous contributions are the heart of our event:

- Delicious cakes and mince pies (to be delivered on the day)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING 10 August 2025

"I would be disobeying the LORD if I stopped praying for you!" 1 Sam. 12:23

Sat, 09 Aug 2025	07.00 pm	Missa PP	Intentions
Sun, 10 Aug 2025	08.00 am	Marcel Konan, Victoria Mmaria Philips & extended family	Anniversary
	10.00 am	Suzanne Phillips nee Magee	Lately Dead
	12 noon	Mario Maxwell	Anniversary
	07.00 pm	Joe Geogheegan, Victoria Maria Philip & extended family	Lately Dead
Mon, 11 Aug 2025	09.30 am	Passionist Mass Guild	Intentions
	06.30 pm	Ann O'Neill	Anniversary
Tue, 12 Aug 2025	09.30 am	Passionist Mass Guild	Intentions
	06.30 pm	Late Lawrence Whitehead	Birthday
Wed, 13 Aug 2025	09.30 am	Maria & Giuseppe Zanre	Anniversary
	06.30 pm	Passionist Mass Guild	Intentions
Thu, 14 Aug 2025	09.30 am	Passionist Mass Guild	Intentions
	06.30 pm	Frederick Ntow	Intentions
Fri, 15 Aug 2025	09.30 am	Passionist Mass Guild	Intentions
	06.30 pm	Frederick Ntow	Intentions
Sat, 16 Aug 2025	09.30 am	Frederick Ntow	Intentions

Mass Intentions get fully booked for several weeks ahead.
If you would like a Mass said on a particular date or anniversary it is advisable to request it in good time.

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Eccl 1: 2; 2: 21-23/ Ps 90: 3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 (1)/ Col 3: 1-5, 9-11/ Lk 12: 13-21 **Mon: Clare, v, rf M.** Dt 10: 12-22/ Ps 147: 12-13, 14-15, 19-20/ Mt 17: 22-27 **Tue: Jane Frances de Chantal, mw, rf.** Dt 31: 1-8/ Dt 32: 3-4ab, 7, 8, 9 and 12/ Mt 18: 1-5, 10, 12-14, **Wed: Pontian, pp, mt, and Hippolytus, p, mt.** Dt 34: 1-12/ Ps 66: 1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17/ Mt 18: 15-20. **Thu: Maximilian Mary Kolbe, p, mt M.** Jos 3: 7-10a, 11, 13-17/ Ps 114: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6/ Mt 18: 21-19: 1. **Fri: ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY S. Holy Day of Obligation.** Vigil: 1 Chr 15: 3-4, 15-16; 16: 1-2/ Ps 132: 6-7, 9-10, 13-14/ 1 Cor 15: 54b-57/ Lk 11: 27-28. Day: Rv 11: 19a; 12: 1-6a, 10ab/ Ps 45: 10, 11, 12, 16/ 1 Cor 15: 20-27/ Lk 1: 39-56. **Sat: BVM/ Stephen of Hungary, mm.** Jos 24: 14-29/ Ps 16: 1-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/ Mt 19: 13-15. **TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.** Jer 38: 4-6, 8-10/ Ps 40: 2, 3, 4, 18 (14b)/ Heb 12: 1-4/ Lk 12: 49-53

Welcome to St. Joseph

God loves everyone. No exceptions.

St. Joseph's Welcomes You. We are here for you! We Invite you to join us on the spiritual journey as we learn and grow together, and as we seek to help and serve others.

MASS TIMES - Weekdays: 9:30am, 6:30pm, Saturdays: 9:30am followed by adoration until 11am, 7pm Vigil Mass. Sunday: 8am, 10am, 12noon, 7pm **Sacrament of Reconciliation** Saturday: 10am to 10:30am and from 6:30pm to 6:45pm. Weekdays on request