

Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel

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Deadline for inclusion of items in the Newsletter: Thursday 9am to the Parish Office

The Season of Ordinary Time

Saturday 15th August 2026		Feria of the Nineteenth Week in Ordinary Time
9am	Mass: All Parish	
9.30am	Rosary	
6pm	Vigil Mass: Gabrielle Wisken (RIP)	
Sunday 16th August 2026		Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9am	Mass: Felicidad Generosa & Henry Hernandez (RIP)	
11am	Mass: Christopher McAffrey (RIP)	
5pm – 6pm	Holy Hour	
Monday 17th August 2026		Feria of the Twentieth Week in Ordinary Time
Private Prayer in the Home		
Tuesday 18th August 2026		Feria of the Twentieth Week in Ordinary Time
12pm	Funeral Mass for the late Keith O'Donoghue (RIP)	
7pm	Novena to St Anthony	
7:30pm	Mass: Trevor Mackinnon (RIP) Birthday	
Wednesday 19th August 2026		Feria of the Twentieth Week in Ordinary Time
9:00am	Mass: Maureen Sullivan (RIP)	
9.30am	Rosary	
12pm	Funeral Mass for the late Maureen Sullivan (RIP)	
1pm – 5pm	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament	
Thursday 20th August 2026		St Bernard, AB, D
9.00am	Mass: Intention of day	
9:30am	Rosary	
10am – 5pm	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament	
Friday 21st August 2026		St Pius X, P
9am	Mass: Intention of day	
9.30am	Rosary	
10am – 5pm	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament	
Saturday 22nd August 2026		Our Lady, Mother and Queen
9am	Mass: Christina O'Neill (RIP)	
9.30am	Rosary	
6pm	Vigil Mass: David & Elizabeth Spincer (RIP)	
Sunday 23rd August 2026		Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
9am	Mass: Roger Buxton-Smith (RIP) 2nd Anniversary	
11am	Mass: All Parish	
5pm – 6pm	Holy Hour	

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturdays: 9:30am-10:30am or call the Parish Office

Baptism, Marriage and becoming a Catholic enquiries:

Please email or telephone the Parish Office.

For Hospital or Sick Visits:

Please contact the Parish Office if you or a family member are sick or housebound or would like to be added to the sick list for prayer

Live-streamed Masses:

<https://wickfordcatholic.com/live-streaming/>

For Hall Booking Enquiries:

Phone 01268 733219 or email:

wickfordcatholicalls@gmail.com

The Parish Safeguarding enquiries:

Email Safeguarding-wickford@brcdt.org **Amanda Pelham** or speak to the Parish Priest

Setting up a standing order for weekly offerings:

Account Name: Catholic Church Our Lady of Good Counsel

Account Number: 71026216 **Sort Code:** 40-13-22

Reference: (Your surname followed by your weekly offering number)

Fr Damien writes: This weekend we celebrate the **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**, rejoicing that Mary was taken body and soul into the glory of Heaven. Mary gives us **hope**. She reminds us that our lives have an eternal purpose and that Heaven is our true home. She teaches us to trust God, even when we cannot see the whole journey ahead.

As we celebrate her Assumption, may Mary lead us closer to Jesus, strengthen us in faith, and remind us that God's love carries us beyond this life into the promise of eternal life

CupaCakeChat: On Tuesday 25th Aug, from 10am join new and old friends in the back hall with a cuppa and cake. See you there.

ProLife: On Saturday 5th September, there will be a day for life in London. The day will begin at the Emmanuel Center SW1P3DW at 10.30am, a march will take place at 1.30pm and there will be speeches in Westminster Square at 3pm. Please see online for more information about how to attend.

Children's Liturgy: Volunteers Needed. We are looking to re-establish and grow our Children's Liturgy and are seeking parishioners who would like to help. If you enjoy working with children and would like to support this important ministry, we would love to hear from you. No previous experience is necessary—guidance and support will be provided. If you are interested in getting

involved or would like to find out more, please make yourself known to Fr Damien after Mass or contact the Parish Office. Thank you for considering how you can support the life of our parish.

Gardens and grounds: Thanks to all who attended this weekend to help tidy our gardens and grounds. If you are interested in helping with again, all help will be received with a smile.

Parish House: Floor restoration and painting are almost complete in the parish house and office, if you would like to donate towards the costs, please let Fr Damien know. Thanks in advance.

Socials: The Parish is thinking about arranging some parish social gatherings weekly or monthly- to cinema, art galleries and various places and events, if this is something you would be interested in, can you let Fr Damien or office know, so that we can gauge interest.

Second Collections: There will be an ongoing second collection taken up after masses in the parish to raise some money for key building works that will need to be carried out across the parish in the coming year. Please give as generously as you can. If you would like to mark a donation online (**Account Number:** 71026216 **Sort Code:** 40-13-22 **Ref:** Building Fund)

IN YOUR CHARITY, PLEASE PRAY FOR ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME AND FOR ALL WHO MOURN.

Sidney Brothers, Dorothy Perrett, Sheila Herlihy, Joseph Ounan, Rose Mary Totten, Gabrielle Wisken, Canon Peter Prendergast, Clive Dewi Thomas, Steve Lewin, Patrick Christopher McCaffrey, Alan Eric Merrin, Canon Vincent Hurley, Patrick Moriarty, Fr Andrew Hurley, Stanley Terence Thorn, Ellen Ogunsanya, Fr Arthur Ryan, James Flynn, George Moss, Fr George Cresley, Mary o Sullivan, Margaret Stephens, Edward Peile.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND OF OUR PARISH (AND ALL WHO ARE SICK).

Jayne & Danny Balaam, Beniamina Bilewycz, Arthur Brittain, Mary Caruana, Theresa Eldred, Patricia Gammell, Johnny Gee, Sharon Guckian, Gabrielle & Ralphie Langridge, Margaret Livesey, John Maguire, Bridget Mahoney, Carmella Micella, Elizabeth Mooney, Cecile Narbeth, Margaret O'Doherty, Carmelo Piazza, Maureen Price, Conchita Prime, Carol Rushbrook, John Sheridan, Gerry and Pat Smyth, Maria Weedon, Elizabeth Arnold, Jane Williams, Paddy Gomez, Patricia McEvoy, Susan Freeman, Jane Davenport, Nathalie Ah-kye, Amparo Thorogood, George O'Boyle, Pat McEvoy, Ann Parkinson, Nelly Prada, Michael Fitzgerald, May and Chris Carey, Doreen Green, Conrad Gomes, Peter Turner, Sr Sior Cosgrave Una, Clairin Molloy, Patricia Graves, Keith Bottjer, Robert Turner, Patricia Price, George Ross, Geoff Ebdon, Joan Fitzgerald, Sandra Fitzgerald, Clifford Foxwell, Pat Kent, Antoniette Ambrose, Esther Leighton.

If you would like to be added to our sicklist or have a visit from Fr Damien / one of the parish visitors, please let us know in the parish office.