

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 8th August 2026	St Dominic, Pr
9am	Mass: Joyce Orrock (RIP)
9.30am	Rosary
6pm	Vigil Mass: Barrie Reynolds (RIP)
Sunday 9th August 2026	Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9am	Mass: Private Intention
11am	Mass: All Parish
5pm – 6pm	Holy Hour
Monday 10th August 2026	St Lawrence, Dc, M
	Private Prayer in the Home
Tuesday 11th August 2026	St Clare, V
7pm	Novena to St Anthony
7:30pm	Mass: Benedict Doyle (RIP)
Wednesday 12th August 2026	Feria of the Nineteenth Week in Ordinary Time
9:00am	Mass: Charles Walsh (RIP)
9.30am	Rosary
10am – 5pm	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
Thursday 13th August 2026	Feria of the Nineteenth Week in Ordinary Time
9.00am	Mass: Eva Lawson (Thanksgiving)
9:30am	Rosary
10am – 5pm	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
Friday 14th August 2026	St Maximilian Kolbe, Pr M
9am	Mass: Bob and Silvia Nortey (RIP)
9.30am	Rosary
10am – 5pm	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 15th August 2026	Feria of the Nineteenth Week in Ordinary Time
9am	Mass: All Parish
9.30am	Rosary
6pm	Vigil Mass: Gabrielle Wiskeh (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

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: As we gather for the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Gospel invites us to fix our eyes on Jesus, just as Peter did when he stepped out onto the water. When Peter trusted the Lord, he walked confidently; when fear took over, he began to sink. How often is that true in our own lives? Amid the storms, worries and uncertainties we face, Jesus gently says to each of us, "Take courage. It is I. Do not be afraid." May we place our trust in Him this week, knowing that His hand is always outstretched to lift us up and lead us safely through every storm.

Mass Bookings: If you would like to book a Mass for a deceased loved one or a special intention, please contact the Parish Office as early as possible, as dates fill up quickly. The suggested diocesan donation is £10, although any contribution is gratefully received.

Maureen Sullivan: Our beloved Mum Maureen Sullivan passed away on the 27th June 26. Mum's Funeral Mass will take place on the 19th August at 12.00pm. It was Mum's wish that her Parish family joined us for a Celebration of her Life at Downham Hall following the service. Mum will be laid to rest on the 20th August during a private family burial at St Patrick's RC Cemetery Leytonstone.
Maria, Suzanne & Patrick

Gardening Day: Join us on Saturday 15th August at 10am for 2 hours for our Parish Gardening Day. Please bring your gardening tools, gloves, and enthusiasm to help keep our church grounds looking their best. Whether you can spare an hour or the whole morning, your help will be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your support—we look forward to seeing you there!

Parish Office Notice: Please note that the Parish Administrator will be away for two weeks. During this time, **Fr Damien** will be looking after the Parish Office. If you have any enquiries or require assistance, please contact the office as usual, and Fr Damien will be happy to help. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Children's Liturgy: Volunteers Needed
We are looking for volunteers to help re-establish our Children's Liturgy. If you enjoy working with children and would like to support this important ministry, we'd love to hear from you. No experience is necessary, and full guidance will be provided. Please speak to Fr Damien after Mass or contact the Parish Office for more information.

Awake London: A Catholic Bible convention and Healing ministry on Saturday 15th August 2026 from 12.30 pm to 4.45 pm led by Rev. Fr. Shyju Naduvathanyil and Anointing Fire Catholic Ministry UK at Catholic Parish of Christ The King, 455 Chingford Road London, E4 8SP. Convention includes: Praise and Worship, Holy Mass, confession, Healing service and Eucharistic Adoration, spiritual sharing, sessions for children (www.afcmuk.org). Free car parking available.

81st Anniversary: On 8th & 9th August 1945, US nuclear bombs devastated the Japanese cities of Hiroshima & Nagasaki. On this 81st Anniversary let us pray for all the victims of nuclear warfare, nuclear threat & nuclear weapons testing. Living in one of the current 9 Nuclear Weapons States, we have a special responsibility to listen to the appeals of successive Popes to pray & act for the abolition of these weapons of mass destruction.

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

Justina Santos, Fr Henry Tilley, Fr David Coughlan, Fr Hugh Verily, Celia Fawcett, Charles Lawes (2006), David Cheriton (2011), Armando Toledo, Dorothy Lepper, Dennis Durkin, Bridget Harper, Dorothy Marshall, Halina Ostrowska, Mohammed Tasneem, May Joyce, Philip Sullivan Kinsey, Stan Wagstaff, Andrew Hill, Margaret O'Sullivan, Derrick Barnett, Madge McKeever, Rachel Hatch, Lilly O'Kell, Fr David Papworth, Ernest Kentish, William Millar, Edward McEvoy, Rose Bibb, Ida Mullins, Fr Stephen Keane, Mary McGrath, Jeanine Ashworth, Joan Neal, Sidney Brothers, Dorothy Perrett, Sheila Herlihy, Joseph Ounan, Rose Mary Totten, Gabrielle Wisken

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.