

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 10th October 2026 Feria of the Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time	
9am	Mass: Erinaldo Bartoli (RIP)
9:30am	Rosary
6pm	Vigil Mass: All Parish
Sunday 11th October 2026 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
9am	Mass: Marian Casey & Davey Kavanagh (Ints)
11am	Mass: Alan James Cunningham (RIP)
5pm – 6pm	Holy Hour
Monday 12th October 2026 Feria of the Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time	
Private Prayer in the Home	
Tuesday 13th October 2026 Feria of the Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time	
7pm	Novena to St Anthony
7:30pm	Mass: Carmelo Piazza (RIP)
Wednesday 14th October 2026 Feria of the Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time	
9:00am	Mass: Patrick Thomas (RIP)
9.30am	Rosary
10am – 5pm	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
Thursday 15th October 2026 St Teresa of Jesus, V, D	
9.00am	Mass: Thomas Kelly (RIP) 9th Anniversary
9:30am	Rosary
10am – 4pm	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
Friday 16th October 2026 Feria of the Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time	
9am	Mass: Robert Longhurst
9.30am	Rosary
10am – 5pm	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 17th October 2026 St Ignatius of Antioch, Bp, M	
9am	Mass: Madge Maume (RIP)
9:30am	Rosary
6pm	Vigil Mass: Joseph & Dan Callaghan (RIP)
Sunday 18th October 2026 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
9am	Mass: Mary & Joe Rodgers (RIP)
11am	Mass: All Parish / Carmelo Piazza 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: In this weekend's Gospel, Jesus reminds us that God's invitation is always there. He invites us to share in His love, His life and ultimately the joy of heaven. Yet, like the people in the Gospel, we can sometimes become so busy with our own plans and worries that we forget to accept His invitation. Every Sunday, the Mass is an invitation to come to the Lord's table, to listen to His Word and receive Him in the Eucharist. God has prepared a place for us. Let us never be too busy to say yes.

BCCS Event: On Saturday 10th October BCCS are hosting a luncheon at The Lawns Rochford. This includes a 2-course meal and a live performance from Fr. Eugene & Fr. Martin O'Hagan formerly of the "The Priests". If you would like to attend or know more details, please contact BCCS either by phone or on their website.

Fatima & First Saturday Devotion Symposium: Join Sr. Angela de Fatima Coelho & Fr. Lawrence Lew OP at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Chelsea SW3 2QP, 12.30 to 19.00 on Sunday, 22 November 2026. Please bring your packed lunch. Register free online: <https://bit.ly/4dgPDE3e>

RCIA: RCIA Meet and Greet Thursday 15th October at 7pm, in St Peter's Hall. If you know someone who would like to become Catholic at Easter or enquiring about your own Faith, please feel free to attend. All are welcome. Please pick up a RCIA form in the Church porch and return to Fr Damien or the Parish Office at your earliest convenience.

Holy Communion: FHC session will begin on Saturday 17th October at 10:30am, for both parents and children. Please meet in the church for 10:30am start. If your child has not been baptised in Our Lady of Good Counsel, please bring a copy of your child's certificate of Baptism and completed application form which are available in the church porch.

School Forms: Fr Damien will be available to sign Certificates of Catholic Practice in the parish office on the following dates/times, Saturday 10th October from 10am to 12am and Tuesday 13th October from 5- 6pm. The certificate of Catholic Practice as you may be aware are part of the school application process to confirm your child is baptized and attends our church each weekend. Please

bring evidence of your Child's baptism with you to these drop-in sessions.

Maranatha at Upminster 15 October 2026: Maranatha! Come Lord Jesus! All are warmly invited to an evening of prayer, praise and worship, including Mass and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, where we come together to encounter the Holy Spirit and share fellowship in a Catholic context. At St Joseph's Catholic Church, Upminster RM14 2SY on Thursday 15th October 2026 7:00pm to 9:00pm, with refreshments afterwards. Not been to Maranatha before - why not come and see?

World Mission: Next weekend will mark 100 years of World Mission Sunday. It was established by Pope Pius XI in 1926. Pope Leo XIV has written a prayer to mark the 100th anniversary and the prayer cards are available in the porch. Please take one and join with our global church in praying for mission.

November: In the Month of November, we as Christians are called to remember and pray for our beloved dead. Here in this church – firstly there will be an additional 4 Friday evening Masses in honour of the Holy Souls which you can attend at 7.30pm each week. The Friday evening mass on 13th November will be an opportunity for us to remember those of our parish who have died in the last year and also our own deceased family members.

If you wish for your deceased loved ones to be remembered at our Altar during the month of November, **envelopes and lists** are now located at the back of the Church for you to complete and return.

Fr Damien will **bless the graves** of those families who wish to have them blessed at Wickford Cemetery on Sunday 8th November at 2pm. He will bless the graves of those family members in Pitsea Cemetery on Saturday 14th November at 2pm. Please meet him in the car park or stand beside your family's grave and direct him towards it.

THE CALL TO BE HUMAN: *What has religion to do with morality?* A talk to be given by Fr Martin Boland. Wednesday 14th October 7.00 – 8.00 p.m. in the parish centre of Our Lady of Lourdes, Wanstead. All welcome. www.ourladyoflourdes.com

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

Rosamund Fearn, Daniel Collins, Brian Lavin, Ernest Haverland, Louisa Lupson, Fr John Dempsey, John Hanrahan, MGR Matthias Kearney, Winifred Wilcox, Mary Gerlach, Teresa Carmeila Bacon, Canon Roderick, Grant, Henry O'Shaughnessy, Ivy Garcia, John Molloy, Geoffrey Marshall, MGR Christopher Creede, Louis Dellar, Albert Kester, Austine Marie, Richard Butler, Anne Borbone

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, 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

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.