

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 3rd October 2026 Feria of the Twenty-Sixth Week in Ordinary Time	
6pm	Vigil Mass: Christina Elliot (RIP)
Sunday 4th October 2026 Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	
9am	Mass: All Parish / Special Intention
11am	Mass: Elizabeth & Billy Sweeney (RIP)
5pm – 6pm	Holy Hour
Monday 5th October 2026 Feria of the Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time	
Private Prayer in the Home	
Tuesday 6th October 2026 Feria of the Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time	
7pm	Novena to St Anthony
Wednesday 7th October 2026 Our Lady of the Rosary	
9:00am	Mass: Victor & Ethel Dragoni (RIP)
9:30am	Rosary
10am – 5pm	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
Thursday 8th October 2026 St Osyth, Rel	
9:00am	Mass: Gabrielle & Brian Levin
9:30am	Rosary
10am – 4pm	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
Friday 9th October 2026 St John Henry Newman, Pr, D	
9am	Mass: Stuart Kneller (RIP)
9:30am	Rosary
10am – 5pm	Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
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

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 today's Gospel, Jesus reminds us that we are entrusted with God's vineyard. Our lives, our gifts, our relationships and our faith are all gifts from God, and we are called to make them fruitful. The question is simple: What fruit is my life producing? Through kindness, forgiveness, generosity and love, we can help God's vineyard flourish. We may never see the difference our small acts make, but God does. May our lives always bear good fruit for the Lord.

Mass Bookings: If you would like a Mass offered for a deceased loved one or for a special intention on a particular date, please arrange this in advance through the parish office. Mass bookings fill up quickly, so to avoid disappointment on your preferred date, please reserve your place as early as possible. The diocese has suggested a recommended donation of £10, but we are grateful for any contribution you are able to make.

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.

Missio Red Box: Missio Red Box holders and supporters of Missio The Autumn edition of the Mission Today magazine is now available for collection in the church porch – please take home your copy. This edition celebrates the 100th Anniversary of World Mission Sunday (18th October) and the theme chosen by Pope Leo XIV 'One in Christ, united in mission'. There are extra copies available – if anyone is interested in learning/supporting the work of Missio please take one.

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?

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

George Lawrence, Fr Michael Hopkins, Alan Robinson, Paul Kerigan, William Clarke, James Wynn, Bernard Russell, Frances Lyons, Sheila Butler, Fr Henry Nealy, Fr David Logue, Valerie Robinson, Canon Edward Keary, Dorothy Cox, Fr Harold Cahill, Patrick Bolger, Celine Marguerite Write, Fr Alfred Clements, Gordon Digby, Gabrielle Lavin, Alfred Himpfen, Maura Pearson, Kathleen O'Mahoney, Rosamund Fearn, Daniel Collins, Brian Lavin, Ernest Haverland, Louisa Lupson

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.