HYMNS FOR Sunday 10am MASS

ENTRANCE	794 God is love his the care
KYRIE	Mass of Christ the Saviour
GLORIA	Mass of Christ the Saviour
GOSPEL ACCL.	536 (Verse said)
OFFERTORY	841 Diverse in culture, nation, race
SANCTUS	Mass of Christ the Saviour
MEMORIAL ACCL.	Sung
OUR FATHER	Said
AGNUS DEI	Mass of Christ the Saviour
COMMUNION	906 If we are living
RECESSIONAL	849 God forgave my sin

The Funeral for the late Umberto Calabrese will take place here on Wednesday 16th at 11:30am. Please keep Umberto and his family in your prayers during this difficult time.

PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH DIARY 2027

If you would like to book a Mass for 2027, please visit the parish office.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2027

All children who are due to receive their First Holy Communion (currently in Year 3 or above) or make their Confirmation (currently in Year 9 or above) need to obtain an application form. The forms will be available from the celebrating priest after the weekend Masses in October.

SIGNING OF SCHOOL FORMS FOR CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND SIXTH FORM APPLICATIONS

CCP

Fr Matteo will see you on a first come, first served basis in the office of the parish house. Before your arrival, complete your part of the CCP Application form which is the top half of the form, one for each school. The forms will be available in the church.

Please feel free to come during any of these times.

⇒ ***Saturday 3rd October, 11:00–12:30pm***

⇒ ***Sunday 4th October, 3:00–4:30pm***

Autumn Study Course

We Dare to Love, a five week course, explores the essential truth of God's love and its part in our lives. Using scripture, story, prayer and reflection, we delve into how, through His cross and resurrection, Jesus enables us to live in harmony with God, self, others and nature.
The course starts **Wednesday October 21st 7.00pm** in the upstairs hall of the **Church of The Transfiguration**.
Booklets and refreshments will be provided.

For more information: wgoutreach@rcdow.org.uk

MASS INTENTIONS 13th September –20th Sep 2026

Date	Time	Intention
Sat 12th	**5pm**	Peggy Murphy (Anniversary)
Sun 13th	**8am**	Gabriel Moraes (Birthday Intentions)
	10am	People of the Parish
	11:30am	Italian Mass
Mon 14th	**10am**	Eileen Brosnan (RIP)
Tue 15th	**10am**	Tom & Brida O'Sullivan (RIP)
Wed 16th	**10am**	Barrett and Callanan families and ancestors (RIP)
	11:30am	***FUNERAL T/L Umberto Calabrese***
Thu 17th	**10am**	Family, friends and neighbours of the Barrrett and Callanan families (Ints)
Fri 18th	**10am**	Monica & Martin Young (Intentions)
Sat 19th	**5pm**	Ana (Intentions)
Main Altar Sanctuary Lamp		People of the Parish
Sacred Heart		Fr Natalino (Intentions)
Our Lady		Alma Capitelli (Intentions)

Come and Celebrate Monsignor Roger's Farewell Evening on Friday 9th October 2026

Monsignor Roger has asked that his farewell celebration be more than just a chance to say goodbye. Following his final Thanksgiving Mass at the Church of the Transfiguration, we will gather at the Constitutional Club (beside the Lexi Cinema) for an evening of fun and entertainment, while also raising funds for the Senior Citizens' Christmas Lunch by a enjoying a Race night. In keeping with his generous spirit, Monsignor Roger wanted on his departure to leave one final gift to the parish by helping to support our older parishioners at Christmas. The Race Night was one of his favourite social gatherings of the year.

During the evening there will be an opportunity to thank Monsignor Roger for his years of dedicated service to our parish, with speeches and a presentation taking place as part of the evening's programme. It would be wonderful to see many parishioners there to show their gratitude and appreciation.

A cash bar will be available throughout the evening with complimentary culinary treats provided. We hope you will join us for this special occasion as we celebrate, give thanks, and wish Monsignor Roger every blessing in his new parish.

More info to follow.

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Sunday Masses:
(Sat 5pm*) Sun 8am & 10am
Italian Mass: Sun 11:30am
Weekday Masses: Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri at 10am
Confession: Sat at 4pm before Mass or by appointment
Exposition: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday before 10am Mass

* Livestreamed

LAST WEEK OFFERINGS
£610.32

LAST MONTH STANDING ORDERS
£4,136.22

LAST MONTH CONTACTLESS INCOME
£491.00

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THE TRANSFIGURATION CATHOLIC CHURCH KENSAL RISE

SEPTEMBER, MONTH OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS
24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
13th September 2026

1,300,000,000,000 – that is quite some number. Can anyone even begin to imagine what 1.3 trillion would look like? According to the BBC, it is roughly what giving $5,000 to every adult American citizen would cost. You may have heard that Mr Trump has said he will do this if his party wins the mid-term elections. Whether or not that happens, the figure is difficult to imagine.

It is even more difficult to imagine the figure Jesus uses in this Sunday's Gospel, because he speaks of "talents". A talent was not a talent in the modern sense of the word – an ability at, say, football or music. A talent was a large quantity of silver, and therefore a form of currency. The mathematics of Jesus' illustration goes something like this: one talent was about 6,000 days' wages; 10,000 talents therefore represented 60 million days' wages, or roughly 200,000 years of wages. In today's money, that could amount to several billion pounds.

Now let's look at the money owed to this servant. One of his colleagues owes him 100 denarii. One denarius was approximately one day's wage, so 100 denarii represented about 100 days' wages – perhaps £10,000–£15,000 in today's money.

This is certainly not a small amount. The servant has genuinely been wronged and has a right to feel that he has suffered a loss. And here we come to something important about forgiveness. Jesus is not telling us that injury does not matter. There are things people can do to us which cause deep and lasting hurt: stealing, violence, betrayal, lies, having an affair, selfishness or the breaking of trust. Forgiveness does not mean pretending that these things did not happen, nor does it mean that justice is unimportant.

But Jesus asks us to remember that we too stand in need of forgiveness. We have received from God a mercy which we could never earn or repay. The extraordinary contrast between the two debts is meant to make us realise the immense generosity of God.

Let's come now to some numbers which we can understand: seven and seventy times seven. Peter is, reasonably, asking how often he must forgive someone who has wronged him. I suspect we have all thought: "I will forgive him or her this time, but I'm not going to do it for ever." The use of the figure seven is interesting here. Seven was thought of as the perfect number, and so seventy-seven, or seventy times seven, is perhaps an even greater expression of completeness. Only God is perfect, of course, but that does not mean we should never strive for perfection.

Let's set the numbers aside for a moment. Instead, let's make a point this week of forgiving someone – perhaps someone who has genuinely hurt us – and in that way come closer to the God whose immense generosity forgives us.

Monsignor Roger