HYMNS FOR Sunday 10am MASS

ENTRANCE	880 Tell out my soul
KYRIE	Mass of Creation
GLORIA	Mass of Creation
GOSPEL ACCL.	543 (Verse said)
OFFERTORY	609 In bread we bring you Lord
SANCTUS	Mass of Creation
MEMORIAL ACCL.	Missa Simplex
OUR FATHER	Said
AGNUS DEI	Mass of Creation
COMMUNION	934 Dear Lord and Father of Mankind
RECESSIONAL	869 Lord of creation

PARISH & DIOCESAN INFORMATION

Update on Cake Stall

There will be no Cake Stall on Sunday morning for the time being. More information will be given at a later date.
J&P Group

CAFOD Family Fast Day Appeal on Friday 2nd October

Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection. Put your faith into action and share the Lord's love by supporting our global neighbours experiencing shortages of food and safe water.
Your gift can support children like Tayla in Zimbabwe to stay in school by helping communities and schools provide nourishing meals, improve access to water and grow food in school gardens.
Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030.
Scan the QR code to donate online via CAFOD's link to their donation page.

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

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.

CCP

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. This course could be a useful starting point for anyone wishing to learn more about their faith, or is thinking of being Baptised into the Catholic Church.
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 20th September –27th Sep 2026

Date	Time	Intention
Sat 19th	**5pm**	Ana (Intentions)
Sun 20th	**8am**	People of the Parish
	10am	Alma Capitelli (Intentions)
	11:30am	Italian Mass
Mon 21st	**10am**	John Doyle (1st Anniversary)
Tue 22nd	**10am**	José Manuel Remedios Atouguia (1st Ann.)
Wed 23rd	**10am**	Frank Gallaguer (RIP)
Thu 24th	**10am**	María Martínez & Eduardo Presedo (RIP)
Fri 25th	**10am**	Lorenzo Verdida (Anniversary)
Sat 26th	**12:30pm**	***BAPTISM***
	5pm	People of the Parish
Main Altar Sanctuary Lamp		Simon Lawrence (9th Anniversary, RIP)
Sacred Heart		Frank Gallaguer (RIP)
Our Lady		People of the Parish

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

Following Monsignor Roger's final Thanksgiving Mass at the **Church of the Transfiguration**, parishioners are warmly invited to join us at the **Constitutional Club** (next to the Lexi Cinema) for a special **Race Night**.

In keeping with Monsignor Roger's generous spirit, the evening will also raise funds for the **Senior Citizens' Christmas Lunch**, a cause close to his heart. During the event, there will be an opportunity to thank Monsignor Roger for his years of dedicated service to our parish, with a presentation and speeches forming part of the programme.

A cash bar will be available, along with complimentary refreshments. We hope many parishioners will join us as we celebrate Monsignor Roger's ministry, express our gratitude, and wish him every blessing in his new parish.

Further details to follow.

"We know that people will want to express their appreciation of the work Monsignor Roger has done in the Parish by attending the Thanksgiving Mass. A quarter of singers have been booked for the Mass, and we will be making a presentation to him. If you would like to contribute to this, envelopes will be available at the back of the Church. Thank you."

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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
£499.13

LAST MONTH STANDING ORDERS
£4,136.22

LAST MONTH CONTACTLESS INCOME
£491.00

Thank you for your contribution to the Parish!

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THE TRANSFIGURATION CATHOLIC CHURCH KENSAL RISE

SEPTEMBER, MONTH OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS
25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
20th September 2026

God's Generous Justice: The Grace of the Vineyard

The readings for the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, invite us to look beyond our human understanding of fairness and to enter more deeply into the generosity of God. In the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of workers hired at different hours of the day, yet all receiving the same wage. Those who worked from dawn naturally feel cheated. Their complaint sounds familiar: "It isn't fair!" Yet Jesus uses their frustration to reveal something far greater than economic fairness—the boundless generosity of God.

We often measure life by comparison. We look at what others have received and ask whether we have received enough. We compare our achievements, opportunities, relationships, recognition and even our religious commitment with those of others. Like the workers who arrived early, we can sometimes believe that because we have sacrificed more, we deserve more. But the vineyard owner reminds us that God's gifts are not rewards we can claim as entitlements. They are expressions of grace.

The first reading from Isaiah gives us the key: "My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord." God's justice is not simply a larger version of our own calculations. God sees the human person with compassion and knows that some people enter the "vineyard" of life earlier than others. Some receive opportunities, faith, support and love from childhood; others encounter them only later. The good news is that God does not abandon those who arrive late.

This message is particularly challenging in a world where inequality and competition often shape our thinking. We can easily become resentful when another person succeeds, receives forgiveness, finds a second chance or is welcomed back after years of absence. Yet the Gospel asks us to rejoice in another person's blessing rather than treat it as a loss for ourselves.

The parable also speaks powerfully to the Church. The Christian community must be a vineyard where there is room for everyone: the lifelong believer and the recent convert, the strong and the struggling, the successful and the broken. We are not called to guard God's generosity but to become instruments of it.

St Paul's words in the second reading provide the practical response: "For to me life is Christ." When Christ becomes the centre of our lives, our concern shifts from "What do I deserve?" to "How can I serve?" We become less preoccupied with comparison and more willing to celebrate grace wherever we find it.

The Gospel ultimately confronts our narrow definition of fairness with the astonishing generosity of God. The vineyard is not a marketplace where grace is earned; it is the household of a Father who wants everyone to experience his goodness. Our task is not to calculate God's gifts, but to receive them gratefully—and to make sure that others have a place at the table.

Fr Matteo