

ENTRANCE	959 All my hope on God is founded
KYRIE, GLORIA, SANCTUS & AGNUS DEI	Mass of Christ the Saviour
GOSPEL ACCL.	539 Verse said
OFFERTORY	609 In bread we bring you Lord
MEMORIAL ACCL.	Missa Simplex
OUR FATHER	Said
COMMUNION	284 We walk by faith
RECESSIONAL	969 Lord of all hopefulness

CERTIFICATES OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE - PRIMARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

For those of you applying for a Primary School soon, we will be holding two days for Fr Allan to sign Certificates of Catholic Practice.

Saturday 9th December from 11am until 12noon and Monday 11th December from 5pm until 6pm.

Should you wish to book in for a time slot, which will be every 10 minutes, please email or call Chelsea, providing her with your child's full name, date of birth and full address, along with how many certificates you require. Certificates will be prepared in advance. Thank you.

RCIA- Adult Reception into the church and Confirmation

If you are an adult who is not Catholic or who has not made their confirmation and would like to be prepared for the sacraments in the RCIA process, please contact Fr Allan.

CHURCH CHRISTMAS TREES

We will be receiving our Church Christmas Trees from Kensal Pines on Saturday 9th December. Please do come along at 1pm for mince pies, and to help decorate the trees.

DOES YOUR CHILD WISH TO ALTAR SERVE?

If your child has made their First Holy Communion, they are now able to altar serve. If you would like to find out more about this or if you wish to sign up, Please do complete a "New Altar Server Application Form", which can be found in the Church porch, and return to the Parish office. We are hoping to arrange an altar servers practice before Christmas, and we will be in contact before hand to answer any questions you may have.

CONFIRMATION COURSE UPDATE

The meeting for Confirmation parents/carers and candidates will be at St Mary Magdalen's on Monday 11th December at 6.30pm.

18th November 2023 - 25th November 2023

Date	Time	Intention
Sat 18th	5pm	Pat Smyth (1st Anniversary)
Sun 19th	8am	Pat Salt
	10am	People of the Parish (Anniversary)
	11:30am	Italian Mass
Mon 20th	10am	Holy Souls
Tues 21st	10am	Tom Meegan (Get Well)
Wed 22nd	10am	Sarah & Tommy Meegan (Anniversary)
Thur 23rd	10am	Jimmy Collins (8th Anniversary)
Fri 24th	10am	Holy Souls
Sat 25th	5pm	People of the Parish
Main Altar Sanctuary Lamp		Holy Souls
Sacred Heart		Jimmy Collins (8th Anniversary)
Our Lady		Pat Smyth (1st Anniversary)

KENSAL PINES

Kensal Pines have now started up for the Christmas Season! You may have noticed they have a bit more space this year, this is due to storage. Kensal Pines have been in business with us for many years now and provide a significant income for our Parish. For further information, please contact Monsignor Roger Reader.

MASS INTENTIONS DIARY UPDATE

You can book in your Mass intentions for 2024 now, at the Parish Office during office hours.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE UPDATE

Our Senior Citizen's Christmas Dinner is on Saturday 9th December after 5pm Mass. The Social Committee meeting on **Monday 20th November** is open to anyone able to help or prepare for this annual event. Please do come along to the Presbytery for 7pm.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL

Thank you to all who gave generously to the Poppy Appeal over the last few weeks, it is very difficult to find poppies these days, so we hope you found having the appeal in our Parish helpful. We raised a total of £134.02 just in poppy sales!

KENSAL RISE CONSTITUTIONAL CLUB

Are hosting their own race night on 25th November to raise money for Macmillan Nurses. Doors 7pm. First Race 8:30pm. Please do feel free to pop along for an entertaining evening.

QUIZ NIGHT AT ST MARY MAGDALEN'S SCHOOL

On 8th December at 7pm. Please do come down and take part. Light refreshments will be provided.

THE TRANSFIGURATION CATHOLIC CHURCH KENSAL RISE

Chamberlayne Road, NW10 3HT



33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

19th November 2023

You have been faithful in small things: come and join in your master's happiness (Mt 25:14-30)

Meditation: What can economics and productivity teach us about the kingdom of heaven? Jesus' story about a businessman who leaves town and entrusts his money with his workers made perfect sense to his audience. Wealthy merchants and businessmen often had to travel abroad and leave the business to others to handle while they were gone.

Why did Jesus tell this story and what can it teach us? Most importantly it tells us something about how God deals with us, his disciples and servants. The parable speaks first of the Master's trust in his servants. While he goes away he leaves them with his money to use as they think best. While there were no strings attached, this was obviously a test to see if the Master's workers would be industrious and reliable in their use of the money entrusted to them. The master rewards those who are industrious and faithful and he punishes those who sit by idly and who do nothing with his money.

The essence of the parable seems to lie in the servants' conception of responsibility. Each servant entrusted with the master's money was faithful up to a certain point. The servant who buried the master's money was irresponsible. One can bury seeds in the ground and expect them to become productive because they obey natural laws. Coins, however, do not obey natural laws. They obey economic laws and become productive in circulation. The master expected his servants to be productive in the use of his money.

God rewards those who use their gifts for serving him and the good of others

What do coins and the law of economics have to do with the kingdom of God? The Lord entrusts the subjects of his kingdom with gifts and graces and he gives his subjects the freedom to use them as they think best. With each gift and talent, God gives sufficient means (grace and wisdom) for using them in a fitting way. As the parable of the talents shows, God abhors indifference and an attitude that says it's not worth trying. God honours those who use their talents and gifts for doing good. Those who are faithful with even a little are entrusted with more! But those who neglect or squander what God has entrusted to them will lose what they have.

There is an important lesson here for us. No one can stand still for long in the Christian life. We either get more or we lose what we have. We either advance towards God or we slip back. Do you seek to serve God with the gifts, talents, and graces he has given to you?

Prayer

Lord Jesus, be the ruler of my heart and thoughts, be the king of my home and relationships, and be the master of my work and service. Help me to make good use of the gifts, talents, time, and resources you give me for your glory and your kingdom.

PARISH TEAM

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Parish office open: Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays 9:30am - 2:00pm

Sunday Masses: (Sat 5pm)
Sun 8am & 10am

Italian Mass: Sun 11:30am
Weekday Masses: Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri 10am

Confession: Sat 4pm before Mass or by appointment

Exposition: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday before Mass

LAST WEEKS OFFERING
£453.20

OCTOBER'S STANDING ORDERS
£3,582.50

CONTACTLESS INCOME OCTOBER
£538.88

Thank you for your contribution to the Parish!

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PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE IN THE PARISH WHO ARE SICK AND/OR HOUSEBOUND AND ALSO THOSE WHO HAVE NOBODY ELSE TO PRAY FOR THEM

Fr Allan