

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Parish Fundraising - St Chad's Parish Food Bazaar

This Sunday, 26th July 2026 after the 10:30am Mass. This is the first of its kind in recent times here in St Chad's. Please let us try to make this a resounding success. There will be various stall with food representing different countries and you may be able to get lunch or supper for yourself and your family. Come join for a good cause.

Flame 2027— Join thousands of young Catholics from across England & Wales for **FLAME 2027**, the largest Catholic youth gathering in the country for ages 14 & above. □ **Date: Saturday, 6 March 2027;** □ **Venue: OVO Arena Wembley;** **Ticket: £30** excluding transportation. This year's theme is: "Take courage! I have overcome the world." (John 16:33). **Contact Marnique: 07305948628** for further information

400-Club Membership - We are still taking new members & renewals.

Cost: £25 cash for 12 monthly draws. Cash prizes every month of £100, £50 & £25. You need to be in it to win. Please support your Parish. Collect your form from the Repository. We urgently need a 23 more people to join to help raise funds for our Parish. Thank You.

July Draw: 1st Prize—Beatrice Nabulya (#65); 2nd prize—Lydia Egbudin (#91); 3rd Prize—Beatrice Nabulya (#148)

The Union of Catholic Mothers would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to all parishioners (& visitors) who supported their fundraising event on Sunday 19th July. Thanks to your generosity, we raised a total of £260.33. Funds raised will help support: **The Seminary Fund** - helping to form & educate future priests for our dioceses & parishes. **The National Holiday and Rest Homes Service (NHRHS)** - providing care, support, & holiday opportunities for parishioners & their families. **UCM Parish Activities & Events** - enabling us to continue supporting parish life through social, spiritual & community initiatives. Special thanks to all who donated, prepared food, served refreshments, & assisted with setting up/clearing away. Your time, generosity & support helped to make this event a great success. May God continue to bless you all.

PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR WEEKEND MASS TIMES STILL REMAIN AS USUAL—SATURDAY VIGIL: 6:30PM, SUNDAY MASSES: 8:30AM, 10:30AM & 6PM. ANY CHANGE WILL BE COMMUNICATED VIA THE BULLETIN.

THIS SUNDAY'S MASS READINGS:

1st Reading: 1 Kings 3:5 -6a,7-12;

Psalm: 119(118): O Lord, how I love your law!

2nd Reading: Romans 8: 28-30; **Gospel:** Matthew 13: 44-52.

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WEEKLY PROGRAMMES (26TH JULY 2026)

SUNDAY MASSES: VIGIL—6:30PM, 8:30AM, 10:30AM & 6:00PM

DAILY MORNING MASSES: 9:30AM (MONDAY TO FRIDAY); 10AM (SATURDAY)

WEEKLY EVENING MASSES: WEDNESDAY MASS FOR THE SICK

& ADORATION: 7:30PM; FRIDAY EVENING MASS: 7:30PM

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: TUESDAY: 10AM—12NOON,

WEDNESDAY: AFTER EVENING MASS, SUNDAY: 4:30PM— 6:00PM

CONFESSIONS: BEFORE OR AFTER DAILY MASSES; 6PM-6:25PM (SATURDAYS)

ROSARY: EVERYDAY AFTER MORNING MASS (EXCEPT TUESDAY & SATURDAY)

BIBLE STUDIES: THURSDAY @ 7:30PM (GUILD ROOM)

DEVOTIONAL GROUPS

MONDAY— CHARISMATICS (7:30 PM); TUESDAY—DIVINE MERCY (7:30PM); THURSDAY—Padre Pio Prayer Group & Bible Study Group; FRIDAY—LEGION OF MARY (5:00 PM); SATURDAY (FORTNIGHTLY) —SVP (7:30PM ON ZOOM).
Contact: presidentA190305@svp.org.uk 07305119836.

PLEASE SEE THE NOTICE BOARD FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

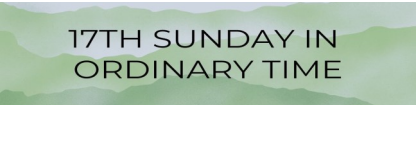


Sick and Housebound: Phaniya Sravaisdiporn, Florence Otokito, Maria Alejandra Bero, Cherlez Philip, Henry Aboagye-Brobbe, Beautilyn Awe, Uley Headlam, Clare Kedves, Ethan Moore, Avril Carver, Eucelle Cato, Trisha Griffen, Janetta Griffen, Brother Joseph Mbah CSSp.

Recently Deceased: Rose Alibi, Augustina Ejiofor, Alvin Jason Anthonysamy, Frances Benge, Ina Doyle, Roy Andrews, Rev Canon Alan McLean, Mabel Adefoluke Ogunnaike, Mankah Awasum, Fr Brian O' Mahony CSSp, Sr Martha Ozigbo, Sr Felia Anielum, Sr Eunice Offo, Ajibike Odunuga, Noel Dantas, Veronica Aloba, Christopher Nkwo, Victoria Agyemang, Apokurama Awuni, Nsobire Jarvis Awuni, Pius Aboh, Biodun Buhari.

TODAY, JULY 26TH, IS THE PROPER FEAST DAY OF THE PARENTS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY—STS JOACHIM AND ANNE.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (26/07/26) YEAR

<u>Vigil Mass on Saturday</u>	6:30PM	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH (Pro Populo)
	8:30AM	RIP: Eunice & Edward Lynch
	10:30AM	Thanksgiving: Chikanele Onyealisi & Clement Lawson Families
	6:00PM	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH (Pro Populo)
MONDAY, 27TH JULY	9:30AM	Birthday: Osinachi Ochiagha
TUESDAY, 28TH JULY <u>BENEDICTION & ADORATION</u>	9:30AM 10:15AM	Thanksgiving: Angelina Ekwe <i>Adoration ends at 12:00noon</i>
WEDNESDAY, 29TH JULY <u>STs MARY, MARTHA & LARZARUS</u> <u>FUNERAL</u> <u>EVENING MASS</u>	9:30AM 11:00AM 7:30PM	Special Intentions: Angelina Ekwe Mary Teresa Ward (RIP) Holy Souls
THURSDAY, 30TH JULY <u>ST PETER CHRYSOLOGUS</u>	9:30AM	Thanksgiving: Mary Magdalen Agyepong
FRIDAY, 31ST JULY <u>ST IGNATIUS of LOYOLA</u> <u>15 STATIONS of the CROSS</u> <u>EVENING MASS</u>	9:30AM 7:00PM 7:30PM	Birthday: Anthea Simon <i>15 STATIONS of the CROSS</i> RIP: Sylvanus Abel Dogbe
SATURDAY, 1ST AUGUST <u>ST ALPHONSUS LIGUORI</u> <u>VIGIL MASS</u>	10:00AM 6:30PM	Thanksgiving: Reddiar Family People of the Parish (Pro Populo)

SVP SUMMER RAFFLE: 2025 (LAST YEAR)

FIRST PRIZE: £5000—P. WESTBROOK (NO 300859) HOLY TRINITY & SACRED HEART
ONE OF THE CONSOLATION PRIZES: £100 (NO 315958) ST CHAD'S

1st collection	Gift Aid	Online/Dona	TOTAL	Tithe	MANY THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY
£560.10	£ 259.00	£ 636.89	£1,455.89	—	

Financial Outgoings: £ 4,271.45

DO YOU PAY UK OR CAPITAL GAINS TAX? MAKE YOUR DONATION GO FURTHER. Sign up today so your parish can claim an extra 25p for every £1 (or £2.50 for every £10) you donate! Thank you.

STANDING ORDERS AND ONLINE DONATIONS

Please would you seriously consider the option of setting up Standing Orders for your weekly donations to the parish. If you need help in setting this up, consult the Parish Office or your bank. Thanks so much for your understanding.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027: It is our desire to send at least 5 young people to Seoul for the WYD 2027. Its not a cheap venture at all but we believe the spiritual benefits—to the individual and to the Church— far outweigh the cost. Getting 5 young people there requires lots of money—over £10,000, but it is investment in their spiritual development and the overall Youth revival of the Church. The last World Youth Day held in Lisbon 2 of our young people represented us—Perpetua and Sina and since they came back they became so involved in the leadership in Youth activities in the Parish and in the Archdiocese. In the next couple of weeks we shall suggest ways that we, as a parish, can get involved in various ways to assist our Young people to go to the WYD 2027 in Seoul, South Korea — in the spirit of sacrifice and generosity.

Pilgrimage of Reparation - Walsingham, 1 August 2026. All are welcome to join the annual Pilgrimage of Reparation and Prayer for the Sanctity of Life at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham on Saturday 1 August 2026. The day begins with the 12pm Angelus and Pilgrim Mass, followed by Eucharistic Adoration, Stations of the Cross, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Litany of Life, Benediction, the Sorrowful Mysteries, and a silent Act of Reparation, concluding with the Salve Regina. Those unable to attend are asked to join in prayer. For information and coach bookings, visit prolifepilgrimage.org.

Lourdes Pilgrimage with Bishop Paul - August 2026. Join Bishop Paul on pilgrimage to Lourdes, 21-28 August 2026, with the Catholic Association marking 125 years of Lourdes pilgrimages. Visit catholicassociation.co.uk/join2026 to book.

Building a Better Marriage. A one-day course for married couples of any age to explore their relationship, deepen communication, and reflect on the Church's call to marriage. No group sharing; all discussion remains private to each couple. 2026 dates: **3 October** (West Norwood). Booking essential: mflkent@rcaos.org.uk

FUNDRAISING FOR DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE. From Bishop Paul. One of the trustees of our Lourdes pilgrimage has been doing a sponsored walk to raise money to help disabled pilgrims to go to Lourdes. He will be in parts of Kent and SE London this week. If you would be willing to contribute, he has a fundraising page at www.justgiving.com/page/calourdes125sw

Justice and Peace—There will be Justice and Peace meeting by Zoom this coming **Thursday, 30th July from 7.30pm - 9.00 pm** with Fr Fabian. We will look at ways in which as a parish and individuals we can apply Catholic Social Teaching to Croydon. The Zoom link will be made available during the week. Don't miss this opportunity to help St Chad's to be more fully a Justice and Peace parish and put into practice our daily prayer to be a community of missionary disciples.

Pilgrimages—2026

Medjugorje Pilgrimage: Join Fr Ambrose for a pilgrimage to Medjugorje from **Saturday 8th — Friday, 14th August, 2026**. The all-inclusive price is **£850/person**. Contact: enquiries@jcjourneys.com; www.jcjourneys.com; Tel: 01886 812862 or Karen Lobo: 07801817231.