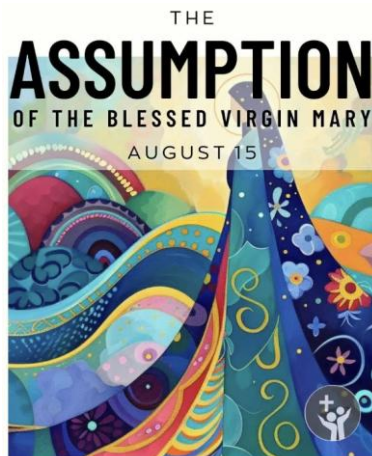




Mass Times

Vigil Mass: Sat 6.30 pm
 Sunday 9.30 am
 11.00 am
 Spanish Mass 12.30 pm
 6.30 pm
 Mon to Sat 10am & 6.30 pm

Sacrament of Confession

Saturday 10.45 – 11.15 am
 6.00 – 6.30 pm
 Mon – Fri 6:15 – 6:30 pm

Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon – Fri 9am to 5pm
 (Lunch from 1.30pm to 2.30pm)

Rosary

Every Wednesday after
 10am Mass followed by Tea
 in the Founders Room.

- Rosary also held on Sundays
 at 3pm in the Colonnade.

Legion of Mary

Every Tuesday at 7pm in the
 Parlour.

Holy Hour

1st Friday of every month after
 10am Mass. The hour will include
 Rosary, Litany Divine Mercy &
 Benediction.

Saints Days

Mon 17th – St. Joan of the Cross
Tue 18th – St. Louis of Toulouse
Wed 19th – St. John Eudes
Thu 20th – St. Bernard of
 Clairvaux
Fri 21st – St. Pius X
Sat 22nd – Queenship of the Blessed
 Virgin Mary



St. Peregrine Mass of Healing

Our next St. Peregrine Mass of
 Healing is on **26th August 2026** at
 6.30pm.

Relic of St. Carlo Acutis

Exposition of this Relic on every
 Monday after our 10am Mass.

St. Carlo Acutis, Pray for us.

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THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Yr. A 16TH AUGUST 2026

Reflection

The readings on this Solemnity of the Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven, is for the Church – a sign and promise of the total glory. By Christ incarnation in the womb of Mary, Jesus wanted to take upon Himself everything human so as to restore it to the Father through the Spirit. The road Christ asks His Mother to travel to arrive at the glory of the Assumption, pursuant to her exceptional vocation is the road for us to travel according to our vocation/calling.

The 1st reading from the first book of Revelation 11:19; 12:1-6,10, describes the ultimate battle between God and evil, represented here by the dragon. The woman represents the Church but it also represents Mary. As the Mother of Jesus, she was at the heart of the battle between God and the powers of evil.

The 2nd reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians 15:20-26, portrays Jesus as the new Adam, who by his obedience to God restore for us the gifts lost by the disobedience of the old Adam. The Church sees Mary as the new Eve, who by her obedience to God undoes the harm done by the old Eve.

The Gospel taken from St. Luke 1:39-56, tells the story of the visitation of Mary to Elizabeth. Enlightened by the Holy Spirit, Elizabeth praises Mary, and hints at the uniqueness of the child she has conceived. Then the beautiful and joyful prayer of Mary. “The Magnificat”. It echoes Hannah’s canticle after the birth of her son, Samuel (1Sam 2:1-11). But it also looks forward, echoing the Beatitudes as found in Luke 6:20-26. It is a joyful celebration of God’s preference for the humble.

As we celebrate today the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, let us imitate her humility and total service to God and her sisters and brothers. Happy Feast to all.



Summer Mass – As the Priests in the Community will be taking holidays at different times during August, it was decided to have One Mass each weekday from Monday 3rd August to Friday 28th August at 10 am each day only. There will be NO 6.30 pm Evening Mass. Except on 26th August (Wednesday) for St. Peregrine Healing Mass at 6:30 pm. Though Saturday and Sunday masses will be as usual; Saturday at 10:00 am and Vigil at 6:30pm, Sundays at 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 12:30 am (Spanish Mass) and 6:30 pm.

Appeal for the Lighting System – We are deeply grateful to the generosity of our parishioners who donated £10,000 (which will increase to £12,500 through Gift Aid), two others who have generously donated £5,000 each, and others who shared towards the repair and upgrade of our church lighting system. We prayerfully invite other parishioners and friends of the parish to help us meet the remaining cost. Every gift, no matter the size, will make a meaningful difference and is sincerely appreciated. Thank you for your kindness, generosity, and continued support of our parish. May God bless you abundantly.

Adult Confirmations – The next Adult Confirmation celebration in the Diocese of Westminster will take place on 24th October 2026 (Saturday) at 6:00 pm. This celebration is intended primarily for adults who need to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation outside the parish RCIA programme. If you wish to be considered or would like further information, please visit or contact the Parish Office to assist you with the necessary arrangements.

Mass Collections (8th & 9th August 2026) – £1,096.32 was received in the main collection, and £327.84 in the second collection for Church Restoration. Thank you for your faithful kindness and wholehearted support.



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FIRST READING

A reading from the first book of

Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab

God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple. And a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pains and the agony of giving birth. And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads seven diadems. His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and cast them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she bore her child he might devour it. She gave birth to a male child, one who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron, but her child was caught up to God and to his throne, and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God. And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, 'Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come.'



The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 45(44):10. 11. 12. 16. R10b

R. On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.

1. The daughters of kings are those whom you favour. On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir. **R.**

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2. Listen, O daughter; pay heed and give ear: forget your own people and your father's house. **R.**

3. So will the king desire your beauty. He is your lord, pay homage to him. **R.**

4. They are escorted amid gladness and joy; they pass within the palace of the king. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of

St. Paul to the Corinthians 15:20-27

Brothers and Sisters: Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. For 'God has put all things in subjection under his feet.'

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Mary has been taken up into heaven; the host of angels rejoice.

Alleluia!

(Year A) 16th August 2026

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

1:39-56

In those days Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a town in Judah, and she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, and she exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! And why is this granted to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold, when the sound of your greeting came to my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her from the Lord.'

And Mary said,

'My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant. For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. And his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts; he has brought down the mighty from their thrones and exalted those of humble estate; he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his offspring for ever.'

And Mary remained with her about three months and returned to her home.

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you,

Lord Jesus Christ



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I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (All bow for following three lines) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.