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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER 2026

SATURDAY	24TH	18:00	30th Sunday Ordinary Time	Solemnity	Mary Butler RIP
SUNDAY	25TH	08:30	30th Sunday Ordinary Time	Solemnity	PRO POPULO
SUNDAY	25TH	10:00	30th Sunday Ordinary Time	Solemnity	
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SUNDAY	25TH	18:00	30th Sunday Ordinary Time	Solemnity	
MONDAY	26TH	10:00	Sts. Chad and Cedd	Memorial	
TUESDAY	27TH	10:00		Feria	
WEDNESDAY	28TH	10:00	Sts. Simon and Jude	Memorial	
THURSDAY	29TH	10:00		Feria	
FRIDAY	30TH	10:00		Feria	
SATURDAY	31ST	10:00		Feria	

TEA AND COFFEE: SUNDAY AFTER 10AM & 12PM MASS

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY EVENING: 5PM - 5:40PM



We pray for those who have died recently including Kieran O'Shea Mills who died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time including: Robert Reid & Niall Westwood, Mary Fisher, Francis Guilfoyle and Charles McCusker. May their souls - and the souls of all the faithful departed - through the mercy of God rest in peace.

I've dipped back into Pope Leo's encyclical on Artificial Intelligence in which he says: "We must lovingly safeguard the grandeur of humanity bestowed upon us and revealed in its fullness in Christ, the splendour of which no machine can ever replace. True progress always stems from a heart open to others, an intelligence willing to listen and a will that seeks what unites rather than what separates." He identifies the necessity of our salvation in Jesus Christ; that there can be no alternative to His presence despite the incredible advances in technology which promise so much and give genuine hope to so many. His words serve to remind us that - within the excitement of advances that can offer so many benefits outside of ourselves - we need the insight of St Augustine ("you were within") to help us connect with our creator who longs to save, redeem, convert and enable us to flourish. He identifies three areas of the internal life that are in need of being saved, transformed and ordained for service of Jesus in others - our hearts, our minds and our wills. In reference to the heart we remember a time-worn phrase "home is where the heart is" and recall that Jesus invited us to "make your home in me as I make mine in you" and that one of the most commonly chosen funeral texts is John 14 where Jesus speaks of His father's house and that He has prepared a place for us there. Home is also that button on our internet browser which we press to relocate ourselves to a familiar setting from which we can get to where we want to go. The home for our hearts is Jesus. When we centre ourselves upon Him each day not only in words but in the silence of prayer and invite Him to be at home in us the work of His conforming ourselves to Him can begin. This, however, involves more than silence and stillness for a period of time; we are to entrust our minds to Him - we are to surrender our own conclusions, prejudices and perspectives to His: this is where the reading of scripture is vital to assist us and simply taking a sentence or two from the Gospel can help enlighten our minds to help us move - in some way - from darkness to light. Finally that area of our inner self that is in need of most change is where we can refuse the grace that God wishes to bestow upon us in prayer: are we willing to suffer as He did in doing God's will? I was inspired by a recent video of Pope Leo evidently looking exhausted after his operation but preaching nonetheless. Lord, help us - despite whatever challenges we face - to be willing to be charitable nonetheless!

PARISH NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS FATHER DAN HOWARTH: Many of you will remember Dan who helped us years ago in the parish and has now been ordained a priest of the Archdiocese of Liverpool by Bishop John Sherrington. It was a joy to be with him and we're only sorry he's not a priest of Southwark. He will begin his ministry in Warrington initially. I hope to get him down here to give us his first blessings!

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING & DBS CHECKS FOR VOLUNTEERS: All volunteers needing a DBS certificate for their role within the church need to do some safeguarding training every 3 years. This can be done independently online or you can attend one of the training sessions being organised: either on Saturday 21/11/2026 at 10:30 or online on Monday 16/11/2026 at 19:30. If you would like to do the training independently or are unsure when you last did the training please contact Anne Rodger (our safeguarding representative) on brixtonhillsg2@safeguardrcaos.org.uk or on [07940782248](tel:07940782248). To attend the training please [click here](#) or email the parish office.

CHANGED DATES: THE JOURNEY OF THE SYNOD: Over recent years the church has been on a journey of self discovery through the synodal process moving between local, national and international levels. Over the coming weeks we are invited as a parish to explore the resource [A Feast For All Peoples](#), which draws on the final document from Rome. It should help us understand how, as brothers and sisters in Christ, we can encounter God more deeply and through that serve one another and our neighbours, within and beyond our community. There will be two initial meetings on **Tuesday 10th and Friday 13th November from 7:30pm until 9pm**. To register to attend please [click here](#) or call us.

TEACH ME TO PRAY: The Spirituality Commission of our Archdiocese is running a programme on prayer both online and in person. There are four online sessions on Tuesday evenings beginning this week on the topic "Prayer as Listening" and you can access the session by clicking [here](#). The days of reflection in person are on Sat 5th December in Lewisham and Sat 12th December in Roehampton.

KNITTING SALE AFTER SUNDAY MORNING MASSES: Throughout the month of November it will be possible for you to get hold of some lovely knitted goods and support the SVP by buying them.

SVP CLOTHES BANK - URGENT APPEAL: The SVP Clothes bank - upon the sale of the Talma Road building - needs to relocate. They need storage space in a place that can accommodate up to 30 people and a display of clothes. Sessions are monthly. Please call Foufou to help: 07949603968.

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS [SEPT. 2027 ENTRY]: We are processing applications for a Certificate of Catholic Practice for September 2027 entry. You need to complete our form [here](#). You can now collect your forms from the school office [if Corpus Christi] or priests' house.

CONFIRMATION / FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMMES: begin with essential parents' sessions on **Thursday 12th November** and **Tuesday 24th November**. The sessions begin at 7:30pm and will conclude at 8:30pm. At least one parent is expected to attend both sessions.

REGISTER AS A PARISHIONER: We have a new parishioner registration form that helps us stay in touch, provide pastoral care, and understand the gifts within our community; it takes 5 mins to complete. Thank you for helping us grow together as a parish. Please fill it out via [this link](#) or scan the QR code on the right. Paper copies are available in the porch.

