

FROM THE DIARY

SUNDAY 14th June ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6pm Sat	<i>Bridget McCrarren (RIP)</i>
	7.45am	<i>Luke, Amy & Roisin (RIP)</i>
	9am	<i>Phillip Leonard Cavallini (Ann)</i>
	10.30am	<i>Brian Loughrey (Ann)</i>
	12noon	<i>Nadeesha Jude Jayawardena (Ann)</i>
	3.00pm	Welcome Gathering for New Parishioners (Newman Room)
Monday 15th June Feria	9.30am	Fr Patrick Miscampbell (RIP)
	7.30pm	Bible Course (3) (Large Hall)
	8.00pm	KSC Council Meeting (Small Hall)
Tuesday 16th June Feria	9.30am	<i>Deceased Members of the Hickey & O'Reilly Families</i>
Wednesday 17th June Feria	9.30am	<i>Donal Hallissey & Michael Sheehan (RIP)</i>
Thursday 18th June Feria	9.30am 3.10pm	<i>Peter Nguyen (RIP)</i> Legion of Mary (Newman Room)
Friday 19th June Feria	9.30am	<i>Reimers Family (Int)</i>
Saturday 20th June Saint Alban, Martyr (Diocesan)		No 9.30am Mass (Confession will still take place at 10.15am)
	11.00am	<i>Leticia DaCosta (Int)</i> Mass for the Sick & Housebound with the Sacrament of the Sick (replaces Holy Hour)
	3-5pm	Saturday Club (Newman Room)
SUNDAY 21st June TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6pm Sat	<i>William McCarthy (Ann)</i>
	7.45am	<i>People of the Parish</i>
	9am	<i>Rusard Fernandes (Ann)</i>
	10.30am	<i>Lodovico & Adelaidina Littardi (RIP)</i>
	12noon	<i>Geoff Brady (Ann)</i>
	6.00pm	Reception of the body of Judy Linnane (RIP)

MASS TIMES

Sunday (Sat 6pm), 7.45am, 9am, 10.30am, 12noon. Mon-Sat : 9.30am
Morning Prayer: Weekdays 9.10 am **Rosary:** Weekdays after Mass & Sat 9.10am
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Mon-Fri 2-3pm (except Bank Hol)
Exposition and Benediction: Saturdays after 9.30am Mass until 11am
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat 10.15-10.45am 5.15pm– 5.45pm

St Monica's Church, Palmers Green

A parish of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Westminster

Readings	ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	14th June,
<i>Parish Mass Bk Pg. 91</i>	'JESUS CALLED TO HIM HIS TWELVE DISCIPLES AND SENT THEM OUT.'	2026

In today's Gospel, Jesus shares his mission to proclaim the kingdom of heaven with his disciples. The signs of the kingdom's presence consist of the work that Jesus has already been doing: the sick are cured, lepers are cleansed, demons are driven out, and the dead are raised to life. The disciples are sent to continue doing the work that Jesus has begun. This is a moment of transition in Matthew's Gospel. The focus has shifted from the ministry of Jesus to the work of the community that he has inaugurated. More than any other Gospel, Matthew's Gospel elaborates on the work of the Church, which is to continue after Jesus' death and resurrection.

The Gospel reports that Jesus commissions twelve disciples. Many scholars believe that the twelve disciples symbolize the twelve tribes of Israel. It designates, therefore, continuity between Israel and the Church.

Matthew lists the names of the twelve disciples, as do Mark and Luke. Matthew also uses the word *apostle* when referring to the Twelve. The word *apostle* means "one who is sent." In this context, Matthew is calling attention to the mission that the twelve disciples are being given. They are sent by Jesus to proclaim the kingdom of heaven in word and deed.

As Jesus sent his disciples to continue his work and mission, so too the Church is sent by Jesus. The Church is his continuing presence on earth. Every member of the Church is sent by Jesus to contribute to this mission.

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Parish Office hours: 9.30am-2pm Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri (closed Wed & Bk Hols)

PARISH NOTICES

We pray for all those who have died recently: Beatrice Grimes, Eileen Thomas, Pauline Challender, Dante Sidoli, Christina Joseph, Patrick Gallagher, Kieran Fitzsimons, Judy Linnane, David Pearman, George Williams, Maureen Dundon and **those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Victor Suspiro, Noreen Demetriou, Armanda Borella, George Campion, Rose Monahan, Nadeesha Jayawardena, Catherine Barter, Simon MacJohn, Joseph O'Shea, Peter Burrows, Peter Falco, Bernadette Tomkinson and William McCarthy. **We also pray for all our sick and housebound parishioners especially:** Richard Pople, Caterina Tossut, Angela Murphy, Lydia Meniano, Doreen Matthew, Marie Herry, Ronnie Lynch, Ronald Walner, Jim Ball, Sandy Philbin and **those in our care homes:** Anastasia Lodge, The Beaumont, Brookwater House, The Conifers, The Hollies, Queen Ann Care Home, Amberley House and The Woodlands and **hospitals:** North Middlesex and Chase Farm.

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY

Exo 19: 2-6a, Rom 5: 6-11,
Matt 9: 36-10.8

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Jer 20: 10-13, Rom 5: 12-15,
Matt 10: 26-33

TODAY

We have recently gone live with a new website. We would welcome your comments and if you have any difficulties please let us know.

SACRAMENTS

We welcome applications for the Sacraments. Parishioners registered and attending St Monica's. You are invited to Register at the Newman Room. Mondays 15th, 22nd, 29th June, 6th July.

First Holy Communion. Children beginning year 3 and above (Families in non-Catholic schools applications year 2 and above). Registration Mondays 5-7pm Newman Room. Please click the link to book: [First Holy Communion applications : appointment with Fr Mehall – Fill in form.](#)

Confirmation. Candidates beginning Year 10 and above (in person). Mondays 7.30pm-8.30pm Newman Room. Please click the link to book: [Confirmation applications : appointment with Fr Mehall – Fill in form](#)

Closing Date for both is 6th July.

Baptism Preparation Course: Our next course is in July. Please speak to one of the priests if you are seeking baptism for your child.

Refreshments in the Newman Room after 9am & 10.30am Masses provided by the Scouts. Thank you for your support.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Bible Course Session 3. Monday 15th June at 7.30pm to 9pm facilitated by Fr Sean in the large hall.

St Monica Walking Group. Regent's Park Rose Garden Walk. Wednesday 17th June. **Meet:** 10:30 Wood Green Underground. A walk through Regent's Park to visit Avenue Gardens, St John's Lodge Garden, Queen Mary's rose garden (famous for 85 single variety rose beds) where we stop for lunch at the café. Then on to visit the new Queen Elizabeth garden, built to commemorate our late Queen Elizabeth 11. The walk is approximately 4 miles.

NEXT WEEKEND

Mass for the Sick and Housebound with the Sacrament of the Sick. Saturday 20th June at 11.00am we will offer anointing of the sick during Mass followed by refreshments in the hall. Could you volunteer to help with refreshments or to bring some one to church?

Please see the sign up sheet in the porch. Thank you for your support.

St Joseph's Saturday Club: Saturday 20th June (3rd Sat/month) 3-5pm Newman Room is for people with disabilities, and their families. All welcome. Please contact the office if you would like to find out more or volunteer.

There will be a **retiring collection** next weekend for **Day for Life**. This is celebrated on the third Sunday of June each year. The theme is "The Wonder of the Child in the Womb". Announced by Archbishop John Sherrington, the initiative focuses on recognizing the humanity of unborn children and extending compassion to bereaved parents who experience pregnancy loss.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Cemetery Mass will be celebrated at New Southgate Cemetery on Saturday 27th June at 11am, followed by prayers at Waterfall Road Cemetery at about 12.15pm.

COMPETITION

Competition Time! The Common Home Group are organising a Children's Competition for children in Years 4, 5 and 6. Could you compose a prayer, write a poem or draw a picture with a message to "Reduce Food Waste". Hand in your entry to Anna McMullan by the closing date of 10th July. Winners will be announced at 10.30 am Mass on Sunday 12th July.

PARISH GROUPS

Walk of Creation: Saturday 27th June at 11am. **The Walking Group** will lead the Walk at Grovelands Park. Meet by the Cafe (nearest entrance Broad Walk). Do join us. See poster in porch.

OTHER

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. 17th to 24th July, registration is open. Please see <https://pilgrimages.rcdow.org.uk/>

The Legion of Mary have two statues of Our Lady available for family Rosary and prayers in your home during the month of May. Please contact the parish office.

SCHOOLS

St Michael's Catholic Grammar School. Open Evening Wednesday 24th June 2026. Full details of the Admissions Policy are on the School's website [St Michael's Admissions 2027-28](#). Please see poster in porch.

St Ignatius College Alumni. Welcome all old Ignatians to join them for a barbecue at the College on 26th June, 6-9pm, £15. This will be one of the final opportunities to visit the current school building before it is rebuilt later in the year. See poster in porch.

St Monica's School Fete. The Friends of St Monica's School invite everyone to their Summer Fete on Saturday 4th July 12-4pm.

VACANCIES

Diocese Vacancies, for further details, please visit <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/>.

St. Michael's Catholic Grammar School. Vacancy for Teacher of Economics. More information on the school website. Applications email to: applications@st-michaels.barnet.sch.uk. Closing date: Monday 22nd June. See porch for more details.

FINANCE

75% of weekly offerings are now by standing order. **January to March 2026 quarterly income/expenditure summary** is displayed in the porch. Thank you for your continued generosity. **To Donate Bank Transfer please use the following HSBC bank details:** Sort Code: 40-05-20; A/c no: 41096176; A/c name: **WRCDT Palmers Green**. If you pay income tax, click on the [gift aid form](#) to complete & return. Thank you for your generosity. Chair of Finance Committee



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DONACONTACTLESS MACHINES. (Contactless Giving) If you would like to donate by card we have two DONA machines and the **QR Code** on the newsletter. Machines are located in the church porch and in the parish office. For example: donations can be made for: **Sunday Collection; Votive Candles; Repository** purchases; and for **Mass Offerings**. Please select the option you want and then the amount you wish to donate. If you require assistance using the machine or the QR code then please ask any member of the parish team who will be happy to help you. Thank you for your continued support of the parish.

MARRIAGE

Marriage Care. Volunteer Relationship Counsellors. Interested in training and volunteering as a Relationship Counsellor? Marriage Care is a Catholic organisation offering relationship support. We are looking for empathetic individuals committed to supporting adult relationships to train on our Certificate in Relationship Counselling (CRC) and to volunteer with us to make a real difference to couples and families. There are costs associated with training on our CRC, but no one is excluded on the basis of their ability to pay. Find out more by visiting: www.marriagecare.org.uk or emailing: volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk

MARRIAGE HELP - Retrouvaille helps couples find hope and healing for their marriage. www.retrouvaille.org.uk Tel: 0788 7296983

Marriage Care provides a relationship counselling service for couples when life gets tough and it is hard to find a positive solution. www.marriagecare.org.uk/

TEL: 0800 389 3801 <https://rcdow.org.uk/marriage-and-family-life/news/sea-glass---beauty-from-brokenness-1/>

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CHARITY

St. Monica's Church Foodbank. Since the beginning of the year we have seen a 45% increase in the number of households we are helping. Add to this the current cost of living crisis and it is proving increasingly difficult to keep up with demand. We have had to restrict who we can help to those who live in the borough of Enfield or within 3 miles of the church hall. **More than ever we need your help to support neighbours who are struggling. You can do this by making a financial donation to parish bank account (see bank details below) using reference "food distribution". Or you could donate food to us directly on a Monday morning at the church hall.** Items like cheese; eggs; tins of corn beef; ham; long life milk; tea; coffee; cooking oil; washing up liquid; and toiletries would be most welcome.

RETREATS and PILGRIMAGES

Pilgrimage to Italy. 1st September to 10th September 2026, closing date 23rd June 2026. Further information is available at <https://www adaywithmary.org/>

Parish Pilgrimage to Rome. Fr Sean is planning a Parish Pilgrimage to Rome 9th to 13th November. There are still some places available. Please email parish office on palmersgreen@rcdow.org.uk

OTHER

Knights of St Columba. Are you interested in joining the Knights of St Columba? If you are male, over the age of 16 and a practising Catholic you are eligible to join. Please contact Kevin Donnelly on 0208 364 1721/07484 134848 or see our website: <https://www.ksc.org.uk>

MISSIO Red Box: If you are interested in having a Red Box at home then please collect one from the porch. Every little penny helps. Thank you.

Dads Hub. A brand new fathers' weekly group. A place for men to come and help with their mental, physical health and create a community. For more information contact: dadshub@northsideyouth.co.uk. See poster in porch.

Caritas Westminster is offering free online training for parishioners who want to volunteer and support people in their local community facing unemployment or financial hardship. More details here <https://caritaswestminster.org.uk/event/financial-resilience-training-for-volunteers/>. Make a real difference in someone's life.

Musicians Summer Conference. 'One heart, one voice'. National Network of Pastoral Musicians Conference 24th-26th July. Highgate House Northamptonshire NN6 8NN. For more information from: jburridge@me.com. To book please see link: <https://nnpm.org/NNPM-%28current%29/2026-Conference.html>

N14 Tutoring Services. Retired headteacher and former class teacher with thirty years' experience. Having worked in primary schools across Enfield, Barnet, Haringey and Hertfordshire mainly across Key Stage 2. I have also successfully prepared children for KS 2 SATS and 11+ Entrance Exam and hold an enhanced DBS certificate. Please make an enquiry by contacting Charlie via email at: charlie@n14tutoring.co.uk or visit the website at www.n14tutoringservices.co.uk. Please also see poster in porch. *(authenticity and clarification rest with those who engage these services, not the responsibility of St Monica's parish)*

SCHOOLS

St Monica's Catholic Primary School is in the unusual position of having one or two spaces in Reception and Year 4. If you think you may be interested in visiting the school with a view to applying for a place, please contact the school office.

St Monica's 6th Palmers Green Guides and Brownies. Brownies are girls between the ages of 7 and 10 years old. **Meet:** St Monica's Scout/Guide HQ, Cannon Road N14 7HE. Wednesdays 6.30pm till 8pm term time only. There is a waiting list so it is important to register your daughter as early as possible. Please register at <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-a-child> and ensure you select 6th Palmers Green Brownies. Once registered a leader will be in contact with you.

Piano and Violin Tutor. Open to all ages and abilities. Message 07583574818 or via email oliveraston1@gmail.com to start/continue your musical journey!

Comhaltas Ceol na n Gael Music School. Irish Music Lessons. Wednesday Evenings: Beginners 5pm, Intermediate 5.30pm, Advanced 6.30pm. Our Lady of Mount Carmel & Saint George Church Hall. Contact eastlondon@comhaltas.co.uk. Poster in porch.