WELCOME TO



Holy Cross & St Patrick Parish

Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour - The Salvatorians

Parish Priest: Father Fortunatus Banzi, SDS Assistant Parish Priest - Fr Floribert Mulikita SDS

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Parish Office: Tuesday & Wednesday – 9.00 to 3pm. Thursday 9.00 to 2.30pm

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY

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21st September, 2025 (Pg140)

'One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much' Luke 16:10

This weekend, the Mother Church gently invites us to reflect on the values that guide our lives; justice, integrity, and the faithful use of what we have been given.

In the Gospel, Jesus shares the parable of the dishonest steward. Though flawed, the steward acts with foresight, prompting us to consider how wisely we use our own gifts not just for today, but for what truly lasts. Jesus reminds us that we cannot serve both God and money; our hearts are called to choose what matters most.

The prophet Amos echoes this call, urging fairness, compassion, and a deep concern for the poor.

These readings are not harsh but heartfelt reminders to live with purpose and kindness. In a world often driven by wealth and status, we are encouraged to seek treasures that endure, those grounded in mercy, justice, and a love that reflects the heart of God.

CONFESSIONS St Patrick: Saturday after 10.00 Mass Holy Cross: Saturday before 5.30pm Mass There will be no EXPOSITION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT until further notice

Holy Cross	Mass intentions	St. Patrick
17.30 Anthony & Mona Pinto RIP AND Paola Gamborini RIP	Sat. 20 th September TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY	Ss Andrew Kim Tae-Gon, Priest & Paul Chong Ha-Sang and Companions, Martyrs 10.00 Connie Meade birthday intentions
8.45 Michael Thomas RIP	Sun. 21st September TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY HOME MISSION SUNDAY	10.15 Betty Horrigan RIP AND Thanksgiving Jessica, Samantha & Daniel 18.00 John Wishart RIP & family
10.00 Maura Nagle birthday intentions	Mon. 22 nd September FERIA	9.00 Charles, John & Elizabeth Howell RIP
NO MASS	Tues. 23 rd September St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio). Priest	NO MASS
NO MASS Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje	Wed. 24 th September Our Lady of Walsingham	NO MASS Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje
NO MASS Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje	Thur. 25 th September FERIA	NO MASS Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje
NO MASS Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje	Fri. 26 th September FERIA	NO MASS Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje
17.30 Annie Mary Caine RIP anniversary	Sat. 27 th September TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY Society of St Paul – Mission Appeal	St Vincent de Paul, Priest NO MASS Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje
8.45 Dennis Jolley RIP	Sun. 28 th September TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY Society of St Paul – Mission Appeal	10.15 Fr Floribert's ordination anniversary 18.00 Josephine Horne RIP

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for September: For our relationship with all of creation

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

Please note – notices for the Parish Newsletter, with prior permission of Fr Fortunatus, should be sent to the Parish Office by Wednesday at 12 noon (by email, 'phone or printed copy). We will do our best to include items, but cannot always guarantee this.

Thank you for your co-operation and understanding.

New DBS and DBS rechecks for VOLUNTEERS
Please arrange to renew with
Fr Fortunatus or Fr Floribert

Offertory 14th September £837.95
Catholic Education Service 3323.30 Thank you
21st September – Home Missions
HOME MISSIONS – Evangelii Gaudium

This collection provides the bishops of England and Wales with resources to support the spread of the Gospel in our own country and enables a breadth of work for

Seeds of Peace and Hope – Season of Care of Creation

1st September to 4th October

NOVENA to St FRANCIS - CANTICLE of the SUN
Sign up to receive CAFOD's daily reflections from
25th September to 4th October see CAFOD website for details

Some give to the Mission by GOING. Others go to the Mission by GIVING.

The Missionary Society of St Paul warmly invite you to support their mission appeal *through the second collection on 27th & 28th September,

*online at: https://donate.mydona.com/missionary-society-of-st-paul

*by direct debit to:

The Missionary Society of St Paul (Barclays Bank) Sort code: 20-29-63 Acc No: 73306224

*Contactless card reader:

'St Paul Mission Appeal'

*on your *smartphone via the QR code*



CONFIRMATION 2026

Any young person in **Year 8 or above**, who wishes to receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation**, will need to complete an *enrolment form*, available at the back of church, and return it to the *Parish Office* by

Wednesday, 15th October.

There will be a *meeting for parents* of candidates on *Sunday 26th October* and classes will start on Sunday, 2nd **November**.

St Ursula's Convent School, Crooms Hill, Greenwich OPEN DAY

Saturday, 27th September 9.00 -12.00 Open Mornings – 6th to 10th October 9.15 to 10.45 Please see QR code on poster to register

Dates for your diary

Sat. 20th September 11 – 2pm: MacMillan Cancer Coffee Morning at Wesley Hall Methodist Church, Timbercroft Lane SE18 2SB

23rd to 30th September – Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje
Wed. 24th September 6.30pm at St George's Cathedral –
Service of Hope and Healing for those harmed by abuse
– led by Archbishop John

27 – 28th September – Annual Mission Appeal by the Missionary Society of St Paul

READERS St Patrick

21st **September: 10.15** Guides/Brownies **18.00** B Davern **28**TH **September: 10.15** Youth Mass **18.00** N Brown

Holy Cross

 20th sept: 17.30 Divine
 21st Sept: 8.45 Linda

 27th Sept: 17.30 Brian
 28th Sept: 8.45 Jason

CHILDREN'S LITURGY St Patrick children under 10 years

21st September – Laura; Ademiyo & Tohanme 28th September – Parish Youth Sunday

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn for the People of the Parish at Holy Cross and Olawale Johnson Saliu's birthday at St Patrick.

Free online bible course

THE BIBLE TIMELINE COURSE

8 consecutive Wednesdays 7 – 8.30pm from Wed. 1st October

Information & registration: comeandsee.org
or scan the QR code on the poster at the back of
church

Greenwich Foodbank tinned and packet foods, toiletries, nappies, can be left at the back of church and are gratefully appreciated

NO FRESH FOOD PLEASE

URGENTLY NEEDED: tinned meat & fish, toiletries, sponge puddings, jam, sweets

Thank you

Please pray for those who are unwell: Margaret Ollin, Yolanda Perera, Norma Barrett, Bridie Maguire, Loretta, Sophie & Pablo Picola, Hana Gjelaj, Bob Kapp, Philomena Flaherty, Jo O'Connell, Dave Kent, Mary Mulholland, Maura Nagle, Chris Britto, Eileen McPadden, Nuala McGovern, Aurora Miranda, Charles, Sarah, Sven & Lloyd, Jimmy Gjelaj, Pressie Fernandez, Betty O'Donoghue, Louise Perera, Pat Cullen, Marianne Ali, Trevor Brown, John McPartlin, Sarah Young & family, Irene D'Souza, Alex Pollock, Kevin Murphy, Susannah Brown, John Colacco, Henry Agbadamusi, Dave Orrel, Stephen Brown, Erin Johnston, Maureen Cunney, Eddie White, for those who have died and those whose anniversaries occur at this time Bridie Regan, Adeline Daters, Sheila Hayman, Ida Pedretti, William Williams, Brendan O'Sullivan, Mauricette César, Joe Twomey, John O'Brien, Nellie Hurley, Patricia Etherton, Ralph

St Paul's Academy, Finchale Road, Abbey Wood
OPEN DAY

Sat. 27th September 9.00 – 12.00 Headteacher address at 10.00

Offertory contributions can be made in loose cash, by cheque payable to 'RCAS PLUMSTEAD', by card using the contactless machine at the back of church, or by standing order/one-off online payment to:

NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK

Account Number: 79136796 Sort Code: 60-50-01

Account Name: RCAS - PLUMSTEAD

PLEASE REMEMBER TO GIFT AID YOUR OFFERINGS IF YOU ARE A
TAX-PAYER – this helps us to claim an extra 25p for every £1 donated

THANK YOU
for your continued and generous support of our parish