

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST MARGARET ALL SAINTS

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DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA | 09th November 2025 |

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

First reading

Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12

In those days: The angel brought me back to the door of the Temple, and behold, water was issuing from below the threshold of the Temple towards the east (for the Temple faced east). The water was flowing down from below the south end of the threshold of the Temple, south of the altar. Then he brought me out by way of the north gate and led me round on the outside to the outer gate that faces towards the east; and behold, the water was trickling out on the south side. And he said to me, 'This water flows towards the eastern region and goes down into the Arabah, and enters the sea; when the water flows into the sea, the water will become fresh. And wherever the river goes, every living creature that swarms will live, and there will be very many fish. For this water goes there, that the waters of the sea may become fresh; so everything will live where the river goes. And on the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither, nor their fruit fail, but they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water for them flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing.'

The waters of a river give joy to God's city, the holy place, the abode of the Most High.

God is for us a refuge and strength, an ever-present help in time of distress: so we shall not fear though the earth should rock, though the mountains quake to the heart of the sea.

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The waters of a river give joy to God's city, the holy place, the abode of the Most High. God is in her midst, she

cannot be shaken; God will help her at the dawning of the day.

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The Lord of hosts is with us: the God of Jacob is our stronghold. Come and behold the works of the Lord, the awesome deeds he has done on the earth.

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Second reading

1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17

Brothers and Sisters: You are God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building upon it. Let each one take care how he builds upon it. For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.

Alleluia, alleluia, I have chosen and consecrated this house, says the Lord, that my name may be there for ever.
Alleluia.

Gospel John 2:13-22

The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the Temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the Temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. And he told those who sold the pigeons, 'Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade.' His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.' So the Jews said to him, 'What sign do you show us for doing these things?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this Temple, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking about the temple of his body. When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

FEAST | MASS TIMES | INTENTIONS | EVENTS

Sunday Hymn Numbers 10am & 12pm Masses 642|907|648|827

Date & Feast	Time	Intention	Location	Parish Events in Parish Centre
Saturday 08 th Feria	5.00 pm 6.30 pm	Confessions Annabella T Dela Cruz Pedro Melo Da Rosario – INT	St Margaret's St Margaret's	
Sunday 09 th <i>Remembrance Sunday</i>	10.00 am 12.00 pm 6.00 pm	Peggy Fehily – RIP Deceased Parishioners Fallen in the Wars RIP Sebastian Ukegheson – RIP Intentions of Ngozika Okoro Maria De Passco Pina Araujo – INT	Convent Chapel St Margaret's St Margaret's	
Monday, 10 th St Leo the Great, P,D	09:30 am	Tyrone Stanley – RIP Patricia Clarke – RIP	Chapel in Convent	10.30 – 12.00 Parish Food Bank 5.30-6.30 PARISH SURGERY
Tuesday, 11 th St Martin of Tours, Bp	9.30 am		St Margarets	Nifty Fifties – 12 pm – 2 pm
Wednesday, 12 th St Josphat, Bp, M	9.30 am	Joao Alice – RIP Patricia Alice Beck – RIP	St Margaret's	10.30 – 12.00 Parish Food Bank 19.00 – AA Meeting
Thursday, 13 th Feria	11.00 am 7.00 pm 7.30-8.00	Requiem Mass – Tracy Flynn Patricia Alice Beck – RIP Francesca Guldalupe Silva Costa – RIP Confessions & Adoration	Convent Chapel St Margaret's St Margaret's	18.00 – 21.00 West Ham Sea Cadets
Friday, 14 th Feria	9.15 am	Mrs O.V. Onwuemene – TG	Convent Chapel	18.00 Legion of Mary
Saturday, 15 th St Albert the Great, Bp, D	5.00 pm 6.30 pm	Confessions Emily & Patrick McGahern – RIP Doreen & Alma Clunn – RIP	St Margaret's St Margaret's	
Sunday, 16 th Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	10.00 am 12.00 pm 6.00 pm	Vania Raquel Jose – TG George & Magdalen Stokes – RIP (F) Eunice Correia D'Almeida – RIP Kamala Peter & Shanthi Alphonse – TG 75 th Birthday	Convent Chapel St Margaret's St Margaret's	
Other Sunday Masses	09.00 am 12.00 pm 5.00 pm	Romanian Mass (Latin Rite)1 Romanian Mass (Greek Catholic) Latin Mass (Extraordinary Rite)	St Margaret's Convent Chapel Convent Chapel	

MEDITATION

The story of the cleansing of the Temple is found in all four Gospels. In Matthew, Mark, and Luke, Jesus is upset with the deceitful practices of the vendors and expels them for that reason. But in John, Jesus' authority is contrasted with the authority of the Temple cult and is a criticism of the cult itself. The story is composed of two parts, Jesus' action in the Temple and Jesus' predictions about the Temple's destruction. The time of year is the sacred feast of Passover. If the many pilgrims to Jerusalem during Passover were to have animals for the sacrificial rituals of the feast, it was necessary to sell cattle in the Temple and to change the unclean Roman money. By denouncing this, Jesus is cutting to the core of the Temple cult. The story is really about Jesus' fate, not the Temple's fate, revealing that Jesus, not the Temple, is the locus of God's presence on earth. As they often do in John, the Jews misunderstand Jesus' words. This gives John the chance to explicitly state his point. Although this is the beginning of his ministry, Jesus is already speaking of his coming death and Resurrection. John intentionally integrates a post-Resurrection perspective into the Gospel narrative. The statement that concludes this passage uses the fact of the Resurrection to prove the point of Jesus' words. Believers need to remember the words and actions of Jesus and claim them as affirmations of the truths of their faith. Christians sometimes point to Jesus' anger in this passage as a way to point out Jesus' humanity. But this would miss the powerful point of the entire Gospel, that the Word became flesh. The point is not that Jesus' anger proves he is human. It is that a human being, in his words and actions, can claim the authority of God.

WEEKLY NOTICES

“FAMOUS BIBLICAL SCHOLAR AND TRANSLATOR FR NICHOLAS KING SJ will be considering how the document on the Bible of the Second Vatican Council - entitled *Dei Verbum* - continues to help us to read, study and pray the Scriptures. The talks, arranged by the Catholic Biblical Association, will take place at Christ the High Priest Catholic Church, Gidea Park, Romford RM2 6DH, from 11 am on Saturday 22nd November 2025. Entrance is free. The talks will be livestreamed on www.whatgoodnews.org and a recording of the talks will be made available subsequently on the same website.

ARISE | THE PARISH GROUP FOR YOUNG ADULTS. This group is for young adults between the ages of 18 and 40. It meets every other week on a Friday night upstairs in the Parish Centre. **The next meeting will take place on Friday, 21st November, from 7 pm.**

NOVEMBER: THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS Please take a Holy Souls Envelope and place in it the name of your family and friends who have died, they will be remembered at all the Masses during November.

PLEASE FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL of Dr Valentine Chidi Ibekwe, who died last week after a brief illness. RIP

REQUIEM MASS THIS WEEK: Mrs Tracey Flynn 11.00 Thursday, 13th November in the Convent Chapel.

MEMORIAL MASS Dr Benedict Ibe RIP St Margaret's Church 4.00 pm Saturday 15th November

NO ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AFTER TUESDAY 9.30 AM MASS FOR THE NEXT 3 WEEKS DUE TO REDECORATION WORKS STARTING IN ST MARGARET'S CHURCH

THE CHRISTMAS SENIOR CITIZENS DINNER - This is an advanced notice that our annual Christmas Dinner for our senior citizens will take place on **Saturday, 6th December, in St Helen's School.** Please put your name on the list at the back of the church.

NEW HEATING SYSTEM IN THE CONVENT. Thank you for those who helped with the cleaning of the Convent Chapel on Thursday. It is nearly all finished.

ABOUT BECOMING A CATHOLIC If you, or someone you know, is considering becoming a Catholic, or wants to know what it might entail, the Parish Group meets each Tuesday at 6.30pm in the Parish Centre, all are welcome.

LAST WEDNESDAY LIVE MUSIC CLUB runs on the last Wednesday of the month, 2 pm-4 pm, ground floor, Parish Centre.

LECTIO DIVINA led by Sister Agnes (FMM) – The next meeting will take place **on Wednesday, 12th November at 7.00 pm** in the Convent

THE PARISH 50/50 DRAW RESULT OCTOBER 2025

The October 50/50 Draw is now Open. Remember, if you're not in it, you can't win it!!! Tickets £1 on sale after Mass
October Update The total amount collected for October **was £1223.00! £611.50** will go toward the maintenance of the Churches, and £611.50 will be prize money. **1st PRIZE TICKET NUMBER 01069 (White Ticket) 2nd PRIZE TICKET NUMBER 01735 (White Ticket) 3rd PRIZE TICKET NUMBER 00815 (White Ticket).** If you have one of the winning tickets, please write your name and contact details on the back of the ticket, and please email the parish office to arrange a convenient time to discuss payment options. Congratulations to the winners!

MARRIAGE 2026 If you are planning to get married in 2026, you must give SIX MONTHS NOTICE, ESPECIALLY IF YOU ARE GETTING MARRIED ABROAD.

BAPTISMAL AND CONFIRMATION CERTIFICATES. The Parish issues these certificates are an important document. Please make sure you keep them safe. We are experiencing a high demand of requests for Copies of the original certificates. This presents a great demand on a very small Parish Office. So, in the future, if you wish to have a copy, there will be an administrative fee of £5.00

BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD, 14 - 17 NOVEMBER 2025 A three-day retreat led by Fr Roger Dawson, SJ, aiming to help participants find a greater attentiveness and disposition to God's presence in their lives through a disciplining of the mind and awareness of the present moment. <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/be-still-and-know-that-i-am-god>

TO MAKE A DONATION PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE FOR THE APPROPRIATE AMOUNT

Donate £3.00	Donate £5.00	Donate £10.00	Donate £20.00
			

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Plate Collection £836.66 | Envelopes £527.87 | Digital Plates £480.25 | Total £1844.78

Thank you for your generous support of the Parish

WEEKLY PARISH SURGERY	If you wish to speak to Fr John about Baptism, Marriage, the signing of forms or any other matters, please come to the Parish Surgery each Monday between 5.30 and 6.30 in the Parish Centre
PARISH OFFICE	THE PARISH OFFICE is open 5 days a week from 9am until 1pm. All normal enquiries can be made by phone 0207 476 4129 or email, canningtown@brcdt.org . All enquires made after 1pm will be answered the next working day.
ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?	If you are considering becoming a Catholic or would like to know more about the Catholic faith then please have a word with Fr John. You may like to go online and have a look at the following websites. www.catholic.com/tract/how-to-become-a-catholic https://mycatholic.life/rcia/ Meeting every Tuesday at 6.30pm
REPOSITORY	The Repository Shop for the sale of religious articles is open from 10.00 – 12.00 Noon, seven days a week, and after the 12 Noon Mass on Sundays.
BAPTISM	Baptisms are celebrated on the First and Third Saturday of the month at 12.00, apart from August. Registration for Baptism can be made on any Monday at the Parish Surgery between 5.30 and 6.30 pm in the Parish Centre behind St Margaret's Church. Baptism Preparation usually takes place on the second Saturday of the month, at 10.00 in the Parish Centre, when the date of the baptism will be confirmed.
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION	The preparation for the Sacraments of First Confession and First Holy Communion takes place each year. There are two Groups: St Helens Group, for children attending the Parish School, and the Parish Group, for children attending Catholic schools outside of the Parish and children attending Non-Catholic Schools. Registration for both groups takes place in October each year.
CONFIRMATON	REGISTRATION FRIDAY 28 TH NOVEMBER 6.30 PM PARISH HALL
MARRIAGE	Couples who wish to get married must give at least SIX MONTHS' notice. This is vitally important for those who are getting married abroad. Please see Fr. John
ANOINTING OF THE SICK	People wishing to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, who are housebound or in hospital, should contact one of the priests. If you are in hospital, ask the nursing staff to call for the Duty Catholic Chaplain or call the Parish phone number 0207 476 4129
FUNERALS	If a family member or friend has died, please let us know so that we may remember them at Mass. In regard to the Funeral arrangements, please contact a local Undertaker who will liaise with the Parish to arrange your requirements for the funeral. If you need to find an Undertaker, please speak to one of the priests.

PARISH CONTACTS

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