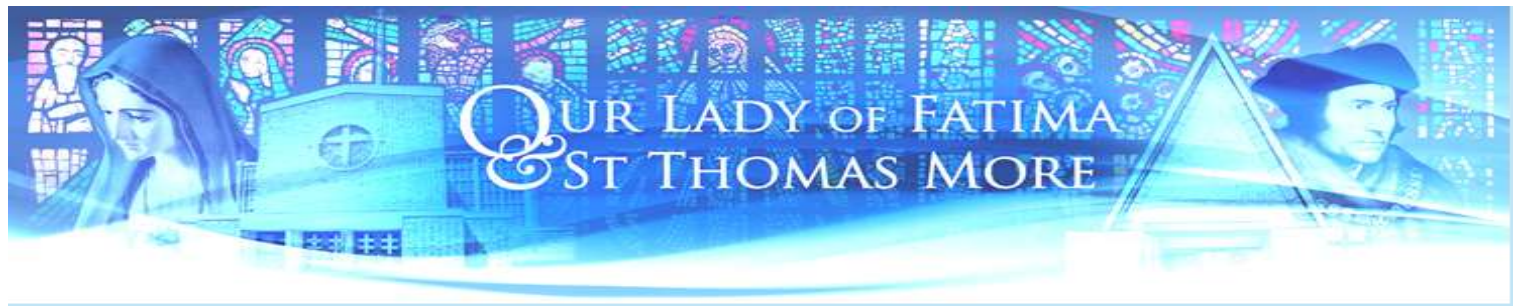




Parish Newsletter 27th Sunday Year C 2025

Mass Intentions 4th October – 12th October

Our Lady of Fatima (OLF)

St Thomas More (STM)

Saturday	9.00am 6.00pm	Annabelle & Grandmother (SI) Maria Gawel (Gregorian 26)		
Sunday Polish	10.30am 12.15pm	Dolores Lawless (RIP, Ann) Roman Sitkowski (RIP, Ann)	8.30am	Maria Gawel (Gregorian 27)
Monday	9.00am	Maria Gawel (Gregorian 28) Demeter Family		
Tuesday	9.00am	Maria Gawel (Gregorian 29) People of the Parish		
Wednesday	7.00-8.00pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament		Maria Gawel (Gregorian 30) Kitty Shaw (RIP, Ann)
Thursday		Adrian (SI, for test)		
Friday			10.00am	(1) Lorraine Allen (SI, Thanksgiving) (2) Roberta, Agnes, Martina, Juliana (SI, Birthday)
Saturday	9.00am 6.00pm	Beena and Family (SI) Julia Lawrence (SI, Thanksgiving)		
Sunday Polish	10.30am 12.15pm	Noreen Ward (Moran) Recently Dead Roch Michał Furmanek (1 st Ann. RIP)	8.30am	Za dusze w czyśćcu cierpiące



Each Sunday in these reflections, I try to pinpoint a facet of a Christian response to life's situations. The rock bottom basis of any such response must be faith; not just a belief in the existence of God as creator of the world and lord of all, but a living faith that unites us to that God through the teachings of Christ. Today's readings focus our attention on this Faith in God reaching its fulfilment in Christ.

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4 - Discouraged by the misfortunes that have overtaken the Chosen People, the Prophet asks the Lord - "Have you abandoned us"? The Lord replies that better days are ahead; fulfilment will come, and in the meantime, - "the upright man will live by his faithfulness".

2 Timothy 1:6-8; 13-14 - Paul advises Timothy, to whom he has entrusted new responsibilities of leadership, to remain faithful to Christ despite the criticism and opposition that he will encounter.

Luke 17:5-10 - In this short lesson given by Christ to His apostles, He recommends that they have an unwavering faith in Him, and that this faith should express itself in unlimited service.

October is the month of the Rosery

"In the Rosary, we not only say prayers, we think them."
Venerable Fulton Sheen

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - STM: Wednesday, Friday 9.30am-10am OLF: Saturday 5pm - 5.50pm

CHURCH CLEANING: OLF Friday 10th October - Team A.

CAFOD - Harvest Family Fast Day is on Friday 3rd October 2025.

Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection to share God's abundant gifts with our global neighbours as they find lasting solutions to poverty and climate challenges. Your generosity offers "signs of hope" in this Jubilee Year, helping build more water tanks in communities like Waré's in Ethiopia where women have to walk for hours to get water. **Use the CAFOD envelope in church.**

Second Collection this weekend is for CAFOD

FEASTS of the Week:

Tuesday 7th October – Our Lady of the Rosary – memorial

Wednesday 8th October – St Osyth, Rel. – memorial

Thursday 9th October – St John Henry Newman, Pr. – National Feast

RCIA: A new course for those interested in joining the Catholic Church will begin shortly. For further details please contact Fr. Bogdan. First meeting on **Tuesday 7th October at 7pm** in the Presbytery.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026

Any parents who would like to enrol their child in the forthcoming preparation program for The First Holy Communion, please make an appointment with Fr Bogdan. The child should be year 3 or above and attend OLF/STM

Counselling Service for OLF & STM

The service is free to parishioners. Clients are requested to donate £15 for each session towards the church. Further details and business cards are available in the porch or from Fr Bogdan or Dr Ray Aldridge-Morris on 07946 854632.

Jubilee Year Outing Update: The visit to Our Lady of Light & St Osyth Church in Clacton. On Saturday 18th October. Please ensure your payment of £15 for the coach is made by Sunday 5th October to Clara, Kay or leave in an envelope at the Presbytery with your details inside - please address the envelope Jubilee Outing.

Social & Fund Raising:

We would like to invite you to a Quiz at STM Hall on Saturday the 25th of October 2025. Please arrive at 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start. You can bring your own nibbles/refreshments. It is £3.00 per person with 6-8 in a team, but children 12 and under are free – individuals are welcome, as you can join an allocated table. There will be a raffle on the night. For tickets, please see Clara or Kay after Sunday masses or leave your details at the presbytery.

Christmas Bazaar Thank you for your donations. We are still collecting bottles, gifts etc but have sufficient bric a brac.

Archbishop St Óscar Romero: Archbishop John Wilson (Archbishop of Southwark), will be giving a talk and PowerPoint presentation on St Óscar Romero, in the Cathedral Parish Hall on Wednesday 8 October at 7.30pm. St Óscar Romero was a Salvadoran archbishop and a powerful voice for justice who was assassinated in 1980 for speaking out against human rights violations and the government's repression during El Salvador's civil war.

Pray for the sick: Keith Harris, Pam Barnard, Ivan Pirnak, J.C. Nkosa, Teresa Lamb, Noreen Wright, Romualda Ratajczyk, Grace Fisher, Kathleen Evans, Fr Bernard Grogan, Angela Walsh, Jeremy Collins, Peter Kelly, Mary Kelly, Pam Matthews, Władysław Borecki, Ewa Samborska, Peter Ryan, Adele Ryan, Nial Briody, Maria Lunnnon, Fabian Andrade, Eileen Rowan, John Brickley, Helen Doherty, Philip Ketedzi, Caroline Berry, Anna Sweeney, Stanislaw Kostecki, Carmel Delaney, Donnah Dris, Conrado Shea, Ryan Tomlin, Mat Quinlan, Krystyna, Josie Cronin, Mary Quinlan, Anna Borsuk, Ruby Antony, Eileen Jolly, Anna Slota, Monica, John O'Donnell and their children, Neil, Anna Gawlik, Eileen, Kathleen Kidney, Andrew Sinclair, Pauline, Alica and Rodney Bill, Valda, sick parishioners from Ashlyn, Alexandra and Abbot Care Home.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of: Nick Cronin, Tony Poole, Mathew Joseph, Noreen Ward (Moran) Peggy Kellett, Brian Quinn, Fr Mieczysław Szeptycki MS, Halyna Wetaszczuk, Mary Fitzgerald, Helen Noyo Owie, Fr Augustyn Hamielec MS, Giona Nkunim Botchway-Adjei, Christopher Keenan, Denis Grogan, Kathleen Thompson, Fr Andrzej Kuder MS, Fr Z. Pałys MS, Hayley Wright, Mary Sage, Patricia Carter, Radosław Iwańczyk, Billy Lomasney, Kenneth Samuels, John Stenson, Terry Farrington, Kevin McGrath, Julie Bush, Janina Zdrojewska, Zbigniew Piątek, Józef Chapski, Peter Mwangi Gekonyo, Joby Joy, PJ Thomas, Eveline Falzon, Dolores Lawless, John Cywinski, Maria Cristina Galagala, Thomas Nelson, Paul Gaize, Bridget Minihane, Barbara Vernem, Romie Quinn, and all those whose anniversaries occur this month.

The month of October is a good time to re-evaluate the place the Rosary has in our lives.
"The Rosary is the best therapy for these distraught, unhappy, fearful, and frustrated souls, precisely because it involves the simultaneous use of three powers: the physical, the vocal, and the spiritual..."

- Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

"Love the Madonna and pray the Rosary, for her Rosary is the weapon against the evils of the world today. All graces given by God pass through the Blessed Mother."

- St. Padre Pio



THE PRAYERS OF THE ROSARY

1. Make the Sign of the Cross.
 2. Holding the Crucifix, say the *Apostles' Creed*.
 3. On the first bead, say an *Our Father*.
 4. Say one *Hail Mary* on each of the next three beads.
 5. Say the *Glory Be*
 6. For each of the five decades, announce the Mystery (perhaps followed by a brief reading from Scripture) then say the *Our Father*.
 7. While fingering each of the ten beads of the decade, next say ten *Hail Marys* while meditating on the Mystery. Then say a *Glory Be*.
- (After finishing each decade, some say the following prayer requested by the Blessed Virgin Mary at Fatima: *O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell; lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of your mercy.*)
- After saying the five decades, say the Hail, Holy Queen, followed by this dialogue and prayer:

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: O God, whose Only Begotten Son, by his life, Death, and Resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life, grant, we beseech thee, that while meditating on these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.