



16 November 2025

**THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA**

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Our Bodies are True Temples of God

The Lateran Basilica, built by Emperor Constantine around 324, is the mother, and head, of all the churches of the City of Rome, and the world. It is the cathedral of the Bishop of Rome, the Pope. It is a symbol of unity and universality of the Catholic Church. Every church is more than just a building because it embodies God's life-giving presence. It is a source of new life and sacramental graces symbolised by the flowing water in the first reading (Ezk 47:1-2). According to St. Paul, the physical church should remind us that our bodies are also temples of the Holy Spirit and should be kept sacred (1Cor 3:16-17). In the Gospel, Jesus implies two meanings of a temple, as a building, and his own body being a temple. He is annoyed with the Temple administrators who had put an emphasis on selling sacrificial animals and exchanging of money, rather than the worship itself. The Temple had some restricted areas like the Holy of Holies, Court of Priests, Court of Israel, Court of women, and court of Gentiles, all aimed at a worthy worship. It is the Court of Gentiles that had been turned into a "holy" market place. Looking at the sales and money exchanges, Jesus questions, "Is this still a place of meeting God?"

As we go to church, our primary intension is to meet and worship our God in fulfillment of the third commandment (Ex 20:8-10). We need to dispose ourselves accordingly especially by avoiding both external and internal distractions. The different ministries we offer in church such as stewards, readers, choristers, altar servers, eucharistic ministers and others should help the faithful to worship better. And at an individual level, I should prepare myself thoroughly to receive my Lord in His Word and in the sacraments.

Fr. Bonaventure CSSp

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS: 09 - 16 NOVEMBER 2025

Sat 08	18.30: Denis Gallagher - RIP <u>THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA - FEAST</u>
Sun 09	09.00: Philip Dray - RIP (<i>A Dray</i>), Renato Austria (1st ANN RIP). 11.00: Alex Maranzano - WB (<i>D Kidd</i>), Joanna Perera (healing). 18.00: Marku D,Cruz - RIP (<i>I Rodrigues</i>) <u>ST LEO THE GREAT, POPE & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH - MEMORIAL</u>
Mon 10	09.30: Gallagher Family - Ints & WB. Celestine & Felicia Iweka (RIP) <u>ST MARTIN OF TOURS, BISHOP - MEMORIAL</u>
Tues 11	09.30: Aiden McMahon -RIP (<i>Sparrow Family</i>) 19.00: Walter & Harold Hawes - RIP (<i>FM</i>) <u>ST JOSAPHAT, BISHOP & MARTYR- MEMORIAL</u>
Wed 12	09.30: Lavelle Family - Ints & WB. 19.00: Jem Walsh - RIP (<i>R Hutchinson</i>)
Thurs 13	07.00: Viola Lewis - RIP (<i>L Lewis</i>) 09.30: Alex Maranzano - WB (<i>M Tett</i>)
Fri 14	07.00: Regina Sellammah & Sundralingam Paththinater (RIP) <i>madonna</i> 09.30: Private Intention (<i>M Sebastian</i>)
Sat 15	09.00: Desire John Sice - RIP (<i>FM</i>)
Sat 15	18.30: Anthony Michael Hodgson - RIP, 16th Ann (<i>J Hodgson</i>)
Sun 16	09.00: Joseph & Harriet Hutchinson - RIP (<i>Hutchinson Family</i>) 11.00: Baby Abloe - RIP, 1st Ann 18.00: Ralf & Lucy Smallwood 64th Wedding Anniversary

REMEMBRANCE: Please remember in your prayers all who have recently died especially Mary Ryan & Keith Merrington and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May their souls rest in peace. Amen

THE SICK: Vanessa Andrew
 Deacon Al Callan, Martin Dray,
 Thomas Haley, Frances Cox,
 George Trutwein, Rita Reginald,
 Sarah Mills, Thomas O'Connor,
 Ian Beard, Anita Smith, Tony
 Cook, Kathleen McGuinness, Nan
 Healy, Samar Staussi, Joan Frost,
 Shirlene A, Hazel D'Aguiar, Allan
 Cook, Claire Pender, Wendy
 Cook, Kathleen O'Connell, Ralph
 Smallwood, Elizabeth Jones,
 Nivetheni Robert, Gerry Hague,
 Mark Draper, Tim Ryan, Adam
 Martin, Maureen Stephens,
 Maureen Sellwood, Mavis Fisher,
 Andy Moolman, Qiaochen Shi,
 Ida Rebello, Jisha Nelson, Vinitha
 Sherin, Ravenna Ahmed, Lionel
 Holland, Peter & Phil Tull, Julie
 Brian, June Munk, Liam Cawley
 & Sue Jones

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION:
MORNING PRAYER (LAUDS):
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
ST ANTHONY OF PADUA NOVENA:
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA:
OUR LADY OF FATIMA DEVOTION:
SYRO-MALABAR VIGIL
YOUTH MASS

MONDAY – FRIDAY: 8AM
MONDAY – FRIDAY: 9AM
SATURDAY: - 9.30-10am & 5.30-6.00pm
TUESDAY: - After morning and evening Masses
WEDNESDAY: - After morning and evening Masses
FIRST SATURDAY - of the month, after morning Mass
FIRST FRIDAY - of the month
LAST SUNDAY of the month

TODAY'S READINGS

Entrance Antiphon:

Cf. Rev 21: 2

I saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared like a bride adorned for her husband.

Penitential Act: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, *(And, striking their breast, they say:)* through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God. **Amen**

GLORIA: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

Opening Prayer: O God, who from living and chosen stones prepare an eternal dwelling for your majesty, increase in your Church the spirit of grace you have bestowed, so that by new growth your faithful people may build up the heavenly Jerusalem. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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.'

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 46(45):2-3. 5-6. 8-9. R5

***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. **R**

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. **R**

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. **R**

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.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

2 Chronicles 7:16

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.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

THE NICENE CREED:

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. *(At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow)* For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. **Amen**

Prayer over the Offerings

Accept, we pray, O Lord, the offering made here and grant that by it those who seek your favour may receive in this place the power of the Sacraments and the answer to their prayers. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Communion Antiphon

Cf. 1 Pet 2: 5

Be built up like living stones, into a spiritual house, a holy priesthood.

Prayer after Communion O God, who chose to foreshadow for us the heavenly Jerusalem through the sign of your Church on earth, grant, we pray, that, by our partaking of this Sacrament, we may be made the temple of your grace and may enter the dwelling place of your glory. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

De Profundis (For our beloved dead).

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord,
Lord, hear my voice!

O let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleading.

If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,
Lord, who would survive?

But with you is found forgiveness:
for this we revere you

My soul is waiting for the Lord. I count on his word.

My soul is longing for the Lord
more than watchman for daybreak.

Let the watchman count on daybreak and Israel on the Lord
Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption,
Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

Eternal rest grant unto them O' Lord.

And let your perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. **Amen**

NEW AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PARISH FEAST DAY OF IMMACULATE HEART OF CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY will be celebrated on **Sunday, 7th of December** at the 11am Mass and with a get together in the hall after the Mass. There will be a spiritual preparation with a four days Novena to Our Lady Immaculate starting on Wednesday, 3rd of December. Everyone is invited to bring food and drinks to be shared in gratitude to the favours of our Blessed Mother Mary. Please also wear white or blue clothes for the Mass. Share these details with friends and families and invite them to come.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP: The group aims to offer non-judgemental space for members to share feelings, experiences and challenges related to grief. This can be at a pace that members feel comfortable with. The group will be a prayerful space which will be available weekly during the month of November 2025 and then monthly throughout the year. Group facilitators: Debbie Board and Helen Emmett – Monday Evenings from the **10th November at 7pm in the Old Chapel**

YOUTH & CHILDREN AWARENESS EVENT: Sun 9th November, 12:30-2pm, OLI Hall All families are warmly invited, especially parents with children aged 5 to 18, to an interactive session designed to help young people discover how they can take an active part in parish life through choir, altar service, reading, the family led 9am Mass, Youth Ministry, Bible Study and more. Parents are encouraged to stay, meet one another and share ideas as we build a stronger, more connected parish community. There will also be light bites and games.

NOVEMBER IS A MONTH DEDICATED TO PRAYING FOR THE DEAD. We have erected a memorial Altar in Our Lady's Chapel with the pictures of your deceased loved ones - Please remember to book Masses for the dead and pray for them. It is our duty to pray for them.

LIVING WITH LOSS: FR. MICHAEL will give a talk about how loss especially grief affect us and how we live with hope. The talk is for all because we all deal with one loss or another. It will be in the Church on **Friday, 14th of November at 6pm. Please share this with your friends and anyone that you think that needs this. Inform people that they can join this online.**

ALL DAY ADORATION You are warmly invited to join us in Adoration all day on **Wednesday 19th November**, an opportunity to pray for our dearly departed loved ones, friends, and parishioners. The day's devotions will conclude with **Sung Evening Prayer (Vespers) at 6:00 pm, Followed by Mass at 7:00 pm.** Please feel free to come for any part of the day or stay for the full devotion. All are welcome.

CANDLELIGHT MASS FOR OUR DEPARTED LOVED ONES WILL BE ON FRIDAY, 28TH OF NOVEMBER AT 6PM. This will be a special Mass for all deceased parishioners and relatives of parishioners who have passed away. During the Mass, they will be remembered, and a family member or parishioner will be invited to light a candle in their memory as we pray for them. It will be a powerful opportunity to light a candle within the Mass and pray for your loved ones. **NB:** Please, send names with dates of death to the parish office or add the names to the list in the Narthex by 27th November.

VISITS TO THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND / EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: A new folder has been created and placed in the Sacristy containing a form for each of the sick, housebound or care-home residents whom we visit. We ask all Eucharistic Ministers to please complete the form each time you make a visit, recording: the Eucharistic Minister's name, the date of the visit etc. & any brief remarks or observations (optional). This will help us keep a clear and up-to-date record of who has been visited and when. Thank you for your dedication and for ensuring no one is overlooked in our parish community

2ND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND: For the Archbishop's Appeal **OLI YOUTH MINISTRY:** The OLI Youth Group will be having their next event on 23rd November 12.30pm -1.45pm in the main hall. Young people aged 12-21 are invited to come along. There will be free pizza, games and teaching. Any questions, please send an email to tolworthyouth@rcaos.org.uk.

CHRISTMAS PRISONER'S GIFT BAGS - We are collecting gifts for the parish gift bags to be distributed on Christmas eve again this year to the prisoners in Wandsworth Prison. This is one of the ways that we hope to show Christmas love to the poor and those in need and to support the work of Fr. Michael in the Prison. For this year, the Parish will be providing Holy Cards and Calendars to the Prisoners. Please, if you wish to support, collect an envelope for this at the back of the Church and drop your donation in the Wandsworth Prison box at the back of the Church or give it to any of the clergy or to the Parish Office. Thank for your generosity.

OBITUARIES

MARY RYAN Kindly pray for Mary Ryan & family. Mary sadly passed away on Monday, 3rd November aged 87yrs.

Funeral: At OLI on Monday, 24th November, 11.30am

KEITH MERRINGTON Kindly pray for Keith Merrington & family. Keith sadly passed away on Tuesday, 4th November.

Funeral: TBC

PAST ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRISTMAS CARDS & REPOSITORY NEWS: The repository is open every Sunday after the 9am Mass to sell Christmas cards, Mass cards and other gift items. Please consider supporting your parish by stocking from the repository.

RED MISSIO BOXES: Please bring the contents of your Red *Missio* Boxes to the church during the month of November, so that the money can be counted and sent to *Missio*, where it is very much needed. Any queries, please contact Mary C Taylor Tel: 07985 659266 Many thanks for your continuing generosity.

INFORMATION & REMINDERS

SHARE THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS Dear Parishioners: If you want to join in our social media campaign 'OLI Parish Christmas', you are invited to send in videos for us to post on social media. Videos should be no longer than 1 minute please. If you have a story to tell, we can consider longer videos but these will be by exception. You can send the videos to Helen and she will start posting from December 1st until Christmas day. You can share anything you feel comfortable with, for example, what makes Christmas special to you, what are your family traditions and what do you look forward to doing this Christmas. We hope through your stories, we can spread Christmas joy to the world. Helen Orlando will also be available to shoot videos for you on location every Sunday after the 9am Mass if arranged beforehand. Follow us on social media @oliparishtolworth Send videos to 07828704653.

SECOND HAND LEGO SALE: Apologies. This event has been cancelled. All items sold—£200+ donated to the PDF.

A Prayer For Dead family and friends.

God our Father, your power brings us to birth, your providence guides our lives, and by Your command we return to dust. Lord, those who die still live in Your presence, their lives change but do not end. I pray in hope for my family, relatives and friends, and for all the dead known to You alone. In company with Christ, who died and now lives, may they rejoice in Your kingdom, where all our tears are wiped away. Unite us together again in one family, to sing Your praise forever and ever. **Amen.**

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

LAST WEEKEND

Gift-aid: £439.30

Non-Gift-aid: £892.95

Total: £1,332.25



Thank you for supporting your Parish.

Cheques: Please make payable to RCAS Tolworth.

*Kindly consider making your regular contribution to the Church via standing order (form available at olionline.co.uk), or by online banking: **RCAS Our Lady Immaculate Church, Account Number: 06467032; Sort Code: 60-21-05***

IMPORTANT: Gift Aid: If you are a Gift Aid donor, please include your **Gift Aid number** in your online payment reference. If you are not registered for Gift Aid, kindly use "NGA" in the reference. **Need Help?** Contact **Lance Louis** at tolworthgacl@rcaos.org.uk or call **07851 070036**.

Thank you once again for your continued support.

The wife was busy frying eggs when her husband came home. He walked into the kitchen and immediately started shouting... "CAREFUL!!! CAREFUL!!! MORE OIL!!! TURN THEM NOW!!! THEY ARE GOING TO STICK!!! HURRY UP!!! ARE YOU CRAZY!!!! USE MORE SALT!!! The wife was very upset, "What in earth is wrong with you? Why are you shouting at me like this? Do you think I don't know how to fry an egg?" The husband calmly replied, "This is to show you what it feels like for me when I am driving and you sit next to me..."

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