



Catholic Church of the Holy Ghost & St. Stephen

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29 June 2025

Mass Times:

Sunday Masses

6.00 pm (Saturday)

9.15, 11.00 am & 6.00 pm

Weekday Masses

Mon. Tues., Fri & Sat.:

9.30 am

Wed.: 7.00 am

Thurs: 7.00 pm

Holy Days of Obligation

Mass: 9.30 am & 7.00 pm

Parish Office

Monday, Tuesday, Friday:
10:00 - 14:00

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Sun 7.00-7.45 pm

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

First Saturday: 8.45 am - suspended

Rosary

After 9.30 am daily Mass during the week

Confessions

Sat 10 am, 5.15-5.45 pm

Sun 7.00-7.45 pm

or by request

Baptism

See Parish Priest
Preparation obligatory

Marriage

See Parish Priest
Six months' notice required
Preparation obligatory

Parish Priest: **Fr. Mark Vickers**

Parish Secretary: **Sherry Samele**

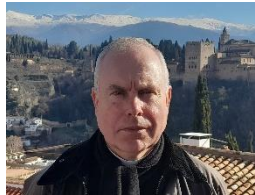
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SS Peter & Paul - Year C



Fr. Mark writes: It has been a bad month for British society, moving further from our Christian understanding of human life with the votes to legalise assisted suicide and abortion to birth. Depending on the final details, the Church may have to close her hospices and cares homes rather than implement these changes. However, we do not despair. The Church once changed the anti-Life culture of ancient paganism; she must do so again. We entrust ourselves to God in prayer. We inform ourselves and others about the true nature of the human person and genuine love

Blessed Sacrament Procession & Parish Picnic

The Blessed Sacrament procession and parish picnic last Sunday went well. Thanks to all those who assisted. It seems to make sense to do this after the 11 am Mass. Perhaps next year we will revert to the Askew Road, where the procession is more visible to the public.

Lawrence Dunham

We thank Lawrence for his help with catechesis since last September. Today is his last Sunday in the parish. In September he goes to the English College at Valladolid for his introductory year of training for the priesthood. Please keep him in your prayers.

Peter's Pence

The retiring collection after today's Masses is for Peter's Pence, the fund which supports the Holy Father in his mission of service to the Universal Church. The Vatican has a website giving details as to how donations are put to use: ObolodiSanPietro.va

Good Shepherd School

We welcome the KS2 children from the Good Shepherd School who join us for the **9.30 am** Mass tomorrow, **Monday, 30 June**.

Baptism

We welcome Odhran Griffin and Lillian Huanca, who are baptised this weekend.

Before the baptism of a first child, parents need to attend a baptism preparation course here over two evenings. If there is anyone looking to have a first child shortly please let me know ASAP with a view to having a couple of evenings next month, otherwise the next course will be in September.

Catholic Curry Club

The Catholic Curry Club is for dads with children of primary school age or under. We meet in the Parish House basement for a talk with discussion continuing over curry. The next meeting is at **8.00 pm** this **Thursday, 3 July**. The speaker is our neighbour, the Rev Chris Lee, the Vicar of St. Saviour's, Wendell Park. Chris was a missionary in Africa and a Cambridge blue. Described as 'the nation's favourite vicar', he has a significant presence on social media. He will speak about his faith journey. For further information or to place your curry order, contact Dario at darioesposito79@yahoo.co.uk

Thomas Redican, RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Tommy Redican. His funeral Mass will be at **9.30 am** on **Monday, 7 July**.

Last week's collection

£1,279.21

Thank-you

Society of St Vincent de Paul (SVP)

The SVP exists to help those locally in any kind of need. The parish SVP group will host the coffee/teas after the 9:15 am Mass next **Sunday, 6 July**, with also refreshments available after the 11:00 am Mass on this date. This is an opportunity for parishioners to come and meet the parish group and find out more about the work they undertake in the parish. Please do come and join us in the Parish House basement.

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Good Shepherd

Catholic Primary School

35 Gayford Road

www.goodshepherdrc.lbhf.sch.uk

[sch.uk](http://www.goodshepherdrc.lbhf.sch.uk)

020 8743 5060

Head: Mrs. Imogen Lavelle

Catholic Chaplaincies

Charing Cross Hospital

020 3311 1042

Hammersmith Hospital

020 3313 4574

Safeguarding Officer

Tabitha Brenninkmeijer

07956 260964

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drcdow.org.uk

Planned giving scheme

(envelopes/standing orders)

Gary O'Brien

07392 203005

St. Vincent De Paul (SVP)

Mobile: 07925 560538

Mums & Toddlers

Fri. 10.30 am monthly

Contact Ellie

ashchurchmums@gmail.com

Young dads group

Thurs. 8.00 pm monthly

Input, discussion and curry

darioesposito79@yahoo.co.uk

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Sunday Scriptures

Fridays, 4.45-5.45 pm

For further information:

jroberts@thetablet.co.uk

Catholic Book Club

Contact Lawrence

shepherdsbushcat@rcdow.org.uk

[org.uk](http://rcdow.org.uk)

Sunday Scriptures Group

This group meets in the
Parish House at **4.45 pm**
on Fridays to reflect on
the Sunday Scripture
readings. All are welcome
to attend.

Food Bank

Many thanks for your
generous donations.
Please keep them coming.
They are literally a
lifeline to many families.
We are looking especially
for non-perishable foods,
toiletries, laundry and
cleaning products.

Readings at Sunday Mass

Acts 12:1-11

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18

Matthew 16:13-19

Psalm 34 Response: From all my terrors the LORD set me free.

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia.**

**You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church,
and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.
Alleluia.**

Church cleaning: Saturday, 5 July: Alexandra & Michelle.

Mass Intentions for Week: 28 June - 6 July 2025

Saturday, 28 June	18.00	Mary Scherer, RIP
Sunday, 29 June	9:15	Alma Arttztz, RIP
<i>Ss Peter & Paul</i>	11:00	Joe & Mary Davenport, Anniv.
	18.00	Pro populo
Monday, 30 June	9.30	Elizabeth Amada, Anniv.
Tuesday, 1 July	9.30	John, Rosemarie, Tim, Stephen & Sean Healy, RIP
<i>Dedication of the Cathedral</i>		
Wednesday, 2 July	7.00	Stephanie Chidiogo, int.
Thursday, 3 July	19.00	Jimmy Browne, RIP
<i>St Thomas</i>		
Friday, 4 July	9.30	Joe Davenport, RIP
Saturday, 5 July	9.30	John Keane, RIP
	18.00	Pro populo
Sunday, 6 July	9:15	Ellen Hickey & family, RIP
	11:00	In Thanksgiving
	18.00	Annie & Patrick Joseph Murphy, RIP

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND OF THE PARISH:

Christopher Browne, Pasquale de Stefano, Adrian Duggan, John Harrington, Kay Healy, Mary Hill, Marilyn McDonald, Maria Nicholls, John O'Neill, Harriet Paterson, Milly Redhead, Jay St Clair, Rose Stanislaus, Gemma Sweny, & the Chiswick Nursing Centre residents.

Mary's Meals: Faith in Action

Since 2019 the Good Shepherd School has sponsored Beka Primary School in Malawi through Mary's Meals, providing daily meals for hundreds of children. The impact has been extraordinary – enrolment has risen from 304 to 385 children, with more students now accessing education and nourishment. This is faith in action, transforming lives through love and compassion. The children have worked incredibly hard to reach this year's fundraising target of **£7,337** – but we need your help! If you can, please support our Mary's Meals Appeal after all the Sunday Masses on **5/6 July** to no child at Beka Primary goes hungry. You can **click on the QR code** to give online, or alternatively, **bring cash or card to Mass**. Every donation, no matter how small, helps provide vital meals and hope to children in Malawi. Thank you for being part of this mission of hope and love.



Looking for a Catholic Primary School?

If you are new to the parish with a child of school age, we invite you to apply to the Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School—an outstanding, nurturing school rooted in faith and excellence. In-year applications are welcome; please contact the school office to check availability. We offer nursery places for children aged 3+. Wrap-around care is available for all children, including a free breakfast club from 7:45 am and an after-school club 3:15–6:15 pm (£16 per session). For information, contact admin@goodshepherdrc.lbhf.sch.uk, **020 8743 5060**