

OUR LADY OF THE WAYSIDE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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A FAIRTRADE PARISH

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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **MASSES DURING THE WEEK**

Dear Parishioners,

Today's Gospel reading reminds us of a very important part of our Christian life. Jesus is speaking to us about giving something back to God. In the Gospel Jesus speaks to the Pharisees about who they should pay their taxes to, God or Caesar. Paying taxes was as much a part of life then as it is now. We may not like it or agree with it, but it is something we must do. However, paying tax in one sense is easy. We fill out the return, the revenue works out the amount and we send the cheque. With God there is no set amount on how much we can give back to him. We know that God loves us and does great things for us and sometimes we may not appreciate or give anything back in return. Maybe this week we can ask ourselves "How much time or effort am I giving to God?" and if we are lacking in any way maybe we could give a little more time to prayer, attend an extra Mass in the week or come to exposition on Friday mornings.

God bless, Fr Andrew.

MASSES DURING THE WEEK

TWENTY- NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: YEAR A

Sunday 18 th	10.00am	Special Intention
Monday 19 th	9.15am	Eileen Clarke R.I.P.
Tuesday 20 th	9.15am	Guy Pattinson R.I.P. School Mass
Wednesday 21 st		No Mass
Thursday 22 nd	9.15am	Denis Ragsdale R.I.P.
Friday 23 rd	10.00am	People of the Parish
Saturday 24 th (Vigil Mass)	5.30pm	Sean Kiernisky R.I.P.

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: YEAR A

Sunday 25 th	10.00am	The Kearns and O'Neill Families
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RIP. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Maggie Hayes who died this last week and for all who mourn her.

World Mission Sunday – 18th October Please pray for the mission of the Church throughout the world and give what you can to this very important collection which will sustain the future of our Church.

Collection for Fr Gerardo. It is customary to have a collection and presentation when a PP moves to pastures new. At the present time, a Mass and presentation for Fr Gerardo may not be feasible but it would be good to show our appreciation for his time here at OLW. If you would like to contribute to the collection, please drop an envelope marked Fr Gerardo into the presbytery. Cheques payable to Our Lady of the Wayside Church. Many Thanks.

Mass times. From the weekend of 31st Oct/1st Nov the Mass times will be 5:30pm Saturday evening, 9am and 11am Sunday morning. Please consider helping with stewarding and cleaning so that everyone can attend Mass safely.

Readers. Have you ever considered being a reader at Mass? We are looking for more people to proclaim the Word of God at Mass, particularly the 11am. Please see Fr Andrew or Michael Emm if you can help with this important service

School Mass. From this week onwards the school Mass will change to Tuesdays at 9:15am. This will allow the school choir to sing at the Mass for us.

Viewing Figures. Several of you have asked how many people are tuning in to the livestreaming. We have had 2,749 views in the last 28 days with an average of 157 households joining us for Sunday Mass and 45 households joining us on weekdays. This is a very encouraging number and a great way for us to reach out to people unable to attend Mass.

Our Lady of the Wayside PreSchool: We can offer your child a safe, stimulating and secure environment to play and learn. You are invited to come and see our exciting natural garden and Pre-School facilities by calling to book a visit. All children between the ages of 2 ½ - 4 years welcome. Our opening hours are 9.15am – 12.15pm. We accept 2, 3 and 4 year old funding, in addition to 30 hours funding. For further details, to arrange a visit or an application form please contact Pre-School (07474 743744) weekdays 9.00am – 12.30pm or alternatively, visit our website at www.OLOWpreschool.com or email us at ourladyofthewaysidepreschool@gmail.com

Sacramental Life: The children who have been prepared for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in the Parish who are at non-Catholic schools will receive these sacraments in the coming weeks. First Reconciliation will be on Saturday 7th November at 12noon and First Holy Communion on Saturday 28th November also at Noon. We remember the children and their families in our prayers.

Live Streaming of Mass.

Your Youtube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3vdakgmJOATGK2Z8WdBkqg>

Main Church: <https://camstreamer.com/redirect/3514c7ab7ecb1a4/S-41479>

Day chapel: <https://camstreamer.com/redirect/d93a2130a6245fe/S-41478>

Second collection envelopes: The dates for second collections have been revised and below are details of the new dates (for this month) but obviously you can still use the original envelope.

New date: 25 October 2020 Johnson Association Original date 01 November 2020

Collection: 4th October 2020: Gift Aid: £182.62 Loose: £221.31 Standing Order: £609.00 Total: £1012.93
Father O'Mahony Trust (18th October) £74.75 Thank you for your continued generosity.

TODAY'S MASS:

First Reading: Isaiah 45: 1.4-6. I have taken Cyrus by his right hand to subdue nations before him..

Responsorial Psalm 95.. **Give the Lord glory and power.**

Second Reading: St. Paul to the Thessalonians 1:1-5. We constantly remember your faith, your love and your hope.

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia!** Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth. **Alleluia!**

The Gospel according to Matthew 22: 15-21. Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.

Communion Antiphon: Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.