



St Bartholomew's Catholic Church

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Sunday 3rd August 2025

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Page 117)

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Saturday 2nd August	6.15pm	Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	The Holy Souls
Sunday 3rd August	8.30am		People of the Parish
	10am		Chris Stapleton RIP
	11.30am		Wellbeing of Ursula Bryan
	4pm		Benediction
	5pm		The Holy Souls

Eighteenth Week in Ordinary Time

Monday 4th August	7.30am	Saint John Vianney, Priest (Memorial)	The Holy Souls
	10am		Ivete Vaz RIP
Tuesday 5th August	7.30am	The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major (Memorial)	Thanksgiving – Fr. Bento Rodrigues (80th Birthday)
	10am		Kathleen & George Garner RIP
Wednesday 6th August	7.30am	The Transfiguration of The Lord (Feast)	November Deceased List
	10am		The Holy Souls
Thursday 7th August	7.30am	Saint Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs (Memorial)	The Holy Souls
	10am		Jimmy Clark RIP
Friday 8th August	7.30am	Saint Dominic, Priest (Memorial)	Ivete Vaz RIP
	10am		Joseph Lunn RIP
Saturday 9th August	10am	Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross [Edith Stein], Virgin and Martyr, Patron of Europe (Feast)	Tino Furtado (Birthday)

Sunday 10th August

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Page 121)

Saturday 9th August	6.15pm	Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	People of the Parish
Sunday 10th August	8.30am		Tom Houlihan RIP
	10am		Raffaella Forte RIP
	11.30am		Tony Kay RIP
	4pm		Benediction
	5pm		The Holy Souls

Normal Weekly Schedule

Sunday Mass Times	Weekdays Mass	Confession	Adoration & Benediction	Rosary
Saturday 6.15pm (Vigil)	Monday to Friday 7.30am & 10am	Saturday after 10am Mass then from 5pm to 6pm	Monday to Saturday 9.30am to 10am	Monday to Thursday & Saturday after 10am Mass
Sunday 8.30am; 10am; 11.30am & 5pm Benediction 4pm	Saturday 10am			

School References for 2026 Intake:

- ❖ **School Reference Request Form:** It will be available on the parish website from **Monday 11th August 2025**. Hard copies will also be available in the church porch.
- ❖ Kindly follow the instructions carefully and provide a **family photo**, preferably by emailing the parish office. Please note that we cannot guarantee the return of original photographs.
- ❖ **Fr. Deo** will conduct all reference interviews **by phone**. Appointments will **not** be available.
- ❖ If the **child's surname differs** from either of the parents applying, please ensure that both surnames are clearly provided in all correspondence.
- ❖ Please **print** the reference forms and complete them **in ink**. Do not attempt to complete the forms on a computer.
- ❖ The **deadline** for references to arrive at schools is **31st October 2025**.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):

- ❖ Have you been attending Mass, but you are not a Catholic?
- ❖ Are you interested in becoming a Catholic?
- ❖ We warmly invite those adults seeking Baptism to be part of our Journey in Faith Group.
- ❖ The weekly forums involve learning about the Catholic Faith, the Truth and Beauty of the Gospel.
- ❖ Please call or email the Parish Office if you are considering becoming a Catholic.

Baptism Preparation Course 2025:

Please keep an eye on the newsletter for the **FINAL** course dates for 2025.

First Holy Communion 2026:

Please keep an eye on the newsletter for the dates.

Confirmation 2026:

Please keep an eye on the newsletter for the dates.

Free Coffee Morning (FCM): There will be no coffee morning during August 2025. FCMs resume 7th September 2025. Thank you for being so understanding.

St Barnabas' Chapel at Croydon University Hospital: Please note there will be no Masses in the hospital chapel during August 2025. Masses will resume Wednesday 10th September 2025, at **noon** and then every Wednesday until further notice.

The Social Committee is up and running: The Social Committee is organising the following **events** and would be delighted to have your participation. Please hold the dates in your diary, and further information will follow:

- Saturday 20th September 2025 - Quiz Night in the Church Hall, starting at 7.30pm.
- Saturday 18th October 2025 - International Mass, at 6.15pm followed by International Food in the Church Hall, starting at 7.30pm.
- Saturday 22nd November 2025 – Bingo Night in the Church Hall, starting at 7.30pm.

St Vincent de Paul (SVP) Foreign Currency Donations: Are you travelling abroad this summer? If so, and you have any leftover foreign currency, the SVP will be delighted to accept it to help us provide support for those in our community who need help. It can either be left in the designated basket at the back of the Church or, better still, brought to our SVP Awareness Coffee Morning on Sunday 7th September 2025. We wish you a happy summer and safe travels. Thank you in advance.

Prayer for Vocations: Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gifts of our Priests, Deacons, and those in Religious Life; help them to be strong in their vocation and become instruments of your love and grace. Send your Holy Spirit to give courage and guidance to all those you are calling to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life in our Archdiocese. May those called hear your voice and respond wholeheartedly to become the person you created them to be. Heavenly Father, form us all in the likeness of your Son, Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd, so that we may love and serve Him more deeply. We ask this through Christ, Your son, the Eternal High Priest. Amen.

Please pray for the sick, those undergoing treatment & those who are housebound.

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