

Our Lady Help of Christians and St. Oswald Catholic Church
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Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (20/09/2026)

Sat 19 Sep	6.30pm	Eamon Kitterick
Sun 20 Sep	10.00am	Parishioners
Mon 21 Sep		No Mass
Tue 22 Sep	9.30am	Reg Ingram
Wed 23 Sep	9.15am	Rosary, Novena, Service of Word and Communion in the convent St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), P
Thu 24 Sep	9.30 am	Holy Mass, Our Lady of Walsingham
Fri 25 Sep	11.00am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	12.00pm	Private Int.

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Sat 26 Sep	6.30pm	Fr. Terry Thompson
Sun 27 Sep	10.00am	International Holy Mass

Sunday Offerings

Weekly collection: Loose: £229.16 Envelopes: £104.00 Total: £383.16. Thank you for your generosity

Home Mission Sunday

This Sunday, 20th September, is Home Mission Sunday. A second collection will be taken at Masses on 19th and 20th September for the work of the Bishop's Conference of England and Wales to help families and local communities who have become distant from Jesus and the life of the church, and those who do not know Him. Let us support them through our prayers and donations.

APF Red Boxes

All those with APF Red Boxes are asked to bring them to the church and leave them in the sacristy to be emptied. Thank you for your continued support. Special thanks to Maureen McKenna and Sarah Dudley for organizing this noble work.

International Mass

On Sunday 27th September, the 10am Holy Mass will be an International Mass. We will use different world languages for singing, readings and prayers of the faithful.

Annual Mass Count

The annual parish Mass attendance count takes place on the third and fourth weekends of September, 19th and 27th, and the first and second weekends of October, 4th and 11th. Please come and fill the church.

Season of Creation

The third session of reflection on the season of creation will be held on Tuesday 22nd September in the convent at 1.30pm. You are most welcome.

Tea/Coffee after Mass on Sunday 27th September

Please join us for tea or coffee and a chat with fellow parishioners after Mass. Donations for teas/coffees contribute towards paying off the parish debt and will be gratefully received.

Church Cleaning

Church cleaning will take place on Saturday 26th September at 9.30am. It would be much appreciated if as many people as possible could come along to help. Thank you.

Altar Servers

We need more altar servers, both boys and girls and adults. If you would like to take part in this holy and noble service, please give your name to me. Training will be given to all who are interested. (Fr. Philip).

Prayer meeting

On Tuesday 20th October, from 7 to 8.30pm, a prayer meeting will be held at the back of the church. The aim is to have a meeting on the third Tuesday of every month, except for July and August. We will begin with prayer and praise, followed by Scripture readings, prophecy, teaching and a time of intercession. It will provide an opportunity to discover and deepen the presence and the action of the Holy Spirit in our lives. All are welcome.

Sick and Housebound

Please remember in your prayers our parishioners who are sick and housebound: Susan McCartney, Margaret Bacon, Hilda Morgan, Aileen Antony, Linda Strohacker, Claire Smart, Eileen Iles, Rosemary Cawley and diocesan sick clergy and religious sisters.

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Year A

The Introductory Rites

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Response: Amen

All: 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, 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.

P: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. R: **Amen.**

P: Lord, have mercy. R. **Lord, have mercy.**

P: Christ, have mercy. R. **Christ, have mercy.**

P: Lord, have mercy. R. **Lord, have mercy.**

P: Let us pray.

All: 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.

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9

Responsorial Psalm **The Lord is close to all who call him.**

Second Reading: Philippians 1:20-24, 27

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Open our hearts, O Lord, that we may pay attention to the words of your Son.

Alleluia.

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

Profession of Faith

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. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (*At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, all bow.*) 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.

The Eucharistic Prayer

P: The Lord be with you.

R: **And with your spirit.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

R: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R: **It is right and just.**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

P: The mystery of faith.

R: **We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection, until you come again.**

The Communion Rite

P: At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

R: **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

P: Behold the Lamb of God....

R: **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**