



SUNDAY 9th AUGUST 2026

GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH

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19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)

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Reflection: Last week's newsletter Reflection ended with the request "Mary, our au**gust** Mother, pray for us".

Our Blessed Lady is deemed Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, meaning Mother of the Blessed Sacrament.

Just as Jesus was always devoted to the Will of God the Father, so Mary is ever devoted to the Will of God's Only Begotten Son, her Divine Son.

In her wondrous encounter with the Archangel Gabriel, Mary of Nazareth had said as it ended: "**I am the handmaid of the Lord. Be it done unto me according to thy word**".

She is the handmaid of the Blessed Trinity – of each and all of the 3 Persons equally.

As her Divine Son's handmaid, she can guide us in how to fittingly worship, reverence and adore His Real Presence in the Blessed Sacrament.

First and foremost, she would direct us to always reverence **the Tabernacle** in church, the House of God – to make a right knee genuflection that touches the floor – or where genuflection is not possible for medical reasons, with a profound body bow instead.

That is our personal one-to-one encounter with Jesus, Our Lord – our presence engaging with **His Real Presence**. He unites His very Self with each & all of us, individually & communally. He is the very source of our unity with one another.

Nowhere is this more apparent than when His **Eucharistic Real Presence** is visible to us in the monstrance on the altar.

This is when our genuflection should instead be a double knee genuflection – dependent upon medical/health issues mentioned above, of course.

Mary, our au**gust** Mother, draw us ever closer to Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament. Amen.

Saturday 8th August 2026 St. Dominic (Priest)

10am Mass – For Dominic Mosconi's all-round wellbeing

Confessions 11am-12 noon & 5.45pm- 6.15pm

6.30pm Mass – For the wellbeing of Maureen White

**SUNDAY AUGUST 9th 2026
19TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A)**

7.30am Adoration

8.30am Mass – Penny Pope RIP (C & M)

11am Mass – People of the parish

Monday 10th August 2026 St. Laurence (Deacon/Martyr)

8.30am Adoration

9.15am Mass – For Angela & Domenico Sofia RIP

Tuesday 11th August 2026 St. Clare (Virgin)

8.30am Adoration

9.15am Mass – That through St. Clare's intercession, John & Jenny may learn or re-learn the primacy of his Catholic Faith

Wednesday 12th August 2026 Feria

8.30am Adoration

9.15am Mass – For Seb & Ola (now living in Poland) for their 7th wedding anniversary this Friday, 14th August

Thursday 13th August 2026 Feria

8.00am Adoration

9.15am Mass – Raymond Ayivi RIP (1st anniversary)

Friday 14th August 2026 St. Maximillian Kolbe

8.30am Adoration

9.15am – For patron saint's intercession for faithfulness to Confirmation promises

Saturday 15th August 2026 Feria

10am Mass – For the Pereira family of Anthony, Michelle & Desiree (and at their request for: Natasha, Kimberly, Kayla, Gabby, Kevin & Chris)

Confessions: 10.30-11.00am & 5.45-6.15pm

6.30pm – Winifred & Michael Desmond RIP

SUNDAY 16th AUGUST 2026

THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY (MOVED ON BY A DAY)

7.30am Adoration

8.30am Mass – For the grace of fortitude & perseverance to the end (AA)

11am Mass – People of the parish

Advance notice: On Thursday afternoon (**3rd September**) we will be receiving, into our rearranged side-chapel, display boards relating to **MIRACLES OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST**, investigated by **CARLO ACUTIS**, now canonised as a young saint, having died from leukaemia aged 15. (These were offered to parishes from just over a year ago, and we opted for early September 2026, to mark one year since his canonisation – **September 7th 2025** – and to fit in with the start of another academic year. The display will be with us for **3 Sundays** (**6th, 13th & 20th**) and will then be collected from us on **Tuesday 22nd September**. **THIS WILL ENTAIL THAT ALL ADORATION AND ALL MASSES FROM MONDAY 31st AUGUST (PUBLIC HOLIDAY) TO TUESDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER 2026 INCLUSIVE WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE MAIN CHURCH, WITH ENTRY AND EXIT THROUGH THE MAIN DOORS ONLY.** (During those dates, the side-chapel will be unavailable for attendance at Mass or Adoration). The display will be available to peruse after Masses, of course, and also the side-chapel will be open at set times throughout this entire “3-week” period for viewing of the display boards. **A SCHEDULE OF THOSE DATES WILL BE DISPLAYED IN DUE COURSE.**

New Addington foodbank: Thank you for all your contributions. **CURRENTLY THE FOODBANK NEEDS:** household cleaning products; nappies size 4 & higher; baby wipes; long-life milk; sugar; coffee; squash/fruit juice; savoury biscuits/crackers; rice; cooking oil; meat pies.

2020 Diamond Fund: this actually dates from March 2015. 2017 was our 60th Year - the Diamond Anniversary as a parish. 2020 marked 60 years of our church being built, before its unveiling in 1962. Details of the 2020 Diamond Fund bank account avail from Fr. Con, for anyone wishing to transfer. Thanks to all contributors.

Gift Aid Scheme: Parishioners, not yet members, are encouraged to join. You paid tax on your weekly giving to the parish. It can come back to the parish from HMR & C, at no cost to you. ***Many thanks to those parishioners who joined Gift-Aid in May and June.***

Red mission boxes: please bring yours to Mass for the mid-year emptying. Thank you.

Please pray for **MICHAEL DONALDSON** of Corbett Close, New Addington who has died, and for the Holy Spirit's consolations for all his family. May he rest in peace. Amen. His Requiem Mass will be on Wednesday 19th August at 12 noon, followed by crematorium service at Croydon West Chapel at 1.45pm. His mortal remains come to church on the evening before (4.30pm).

Please pray for **GERRY HEFFERNAN** of Dunley Drive who has also died, and for the Holy Spirit's consolations for all his family. May he rest in peace. Amen. His Requiem Mass will be on Wednesday 26th August at 12 noon, followed by burial at Green Lawn Memorial Park at 2pm.

Please pray for all with health issues: Christine Maslona, Peter Brown, Cyril Ojiemen, Curtis Pointu, Francesco Bruno, Jim Venis, Thomas Gunn, Issy Okwuobi, Divina Ddungu, Michael Onuh, Jason Brewer, Ruddyn Mathiasine, Sebastian Akogun, Vera Arthur, Susan Smith, Izeubokun Ichide, John Kabangue, Roseline Bardo, Teresa Saunders, Joyce Dean, Dorothy & Maria Vassallo, Fred Wye, Trudi Ollivierre, Philomena deSouza, Shirley Pointu, Cyril Green, Patricia Tougher, Kathy & Terry Jobson, Kathleen Sage, Mary Davies, Anjali & Doug Fanthome, Margaret Furey, Bryan & Maria Smith, Edith Mack, Eileen Evans, Tilly Whitmore, Celia Hulbert, Maura Malinoff, Amelia & Georgina Holmes, Ken & Maria Rowland, Anita Gregory, Victoria Kana, Jamie Prince, P. Vaughan, E. Hanks, Pat Enver, Julie Jones, Tyrone Phillips, Saoirse Hennessey, M. Slattery.

August 2nd: Attendance: **150** 1st Collection: £**329.95** Gift-aided: £**212.50** Loose: £**117.45**

2nd Collection: £**87.82**

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