

**24th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)****Parish Priest: Fr. Con Boyle: 01689 842644****Parish Sister: Sr. Sheila Barrett DMJ****Good Shepherd Primary Academy: 01689 841771 Head Teacher: Mrs. Jane Day**

Reflection: On Tuesday, September 15th, we keep **the Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows**. It is celebrated 7 days on from the day the Church celebrates her birthday. There are 7 Sorrows of Our Blessed Lady:

1. Simeon's prophecy at the Presentation of the Baby Jesus in the Temple.
2. The Flight into Egypt.
3. The loss of Jesus in the Temple for 3 days.
4. Mary encountering Jesus on His way to Calvary.
5. The Crucifixion.
6. Jesus taken down from the Cross.
7. The burial of Jesus in the tomb.

At exactly the midpoint of September, the Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows derives great significance, due to its coming straight after **the Feast of the Exaltation (or Triumph) of the Holy Cross (September 14th)**. These are two very significant days in the Church's Calendar. Such consecutiveness is rare there. (An obvious example would be ALL SAINTS and ALL SOULS – November 1st and 2nd respectively). 14th & 15th September, therefore, highlight **the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**, & **the Immaculate and Sorrowful Heart of Mary** side-by-side.

15th September brings to conclusion our novena of Eucharistic Adoration, chosen to coincide with the Eucharistic miracles' boards in our side-chapel. Parishioners are strongly encouraged to visit these before they are collected from us on Tuesday September 22nd at about 10.30am. They are wonderful proofs of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament. May the presence of the boards with us ever deepen our Faith in, and love of, His Real Presence.

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Saturday 12th September 2026 The Holy Name of Mary

10am Mass – That through Our Lady's intercession, 3 blood brothers come to see the spiritual significance of their own name in Christ

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

6.30pm Mass – People of the parish

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 13th 2026**24th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A)**

7.30am Adoration

8.30am Mass – In thanksgiving from Roseline Bardo

11am Mass – In thanksgiving for the Lord's mercies (Seth)

Monday 14th September 2026 Triumph of the Holy Cross

8.30am Adoration

9.15am Mass – For the grace of fortitude & perseverance to the end (AA)

Tuesday 15th September 2026 Our Lady of Sorrows

8.30am Adoration

9.15am Mass – That through Our Lady's sorrows, John & Jenny come to a deeper understanding of one's personal cross in life

Wednesday 16th September 2026 Ss Cornelius & Cyprian

8.30am Adoration

9.15am Mass – Eileen Venis RIP (1st anniversary)

Thursday 17th September 2026 Feria

8.00am Adoration

9.15am Mass – For all the intentions of the Anatogu family

Friday 18th September 2026 Feria

8.30am Adoration

9.15am – John Cox RIP (Carmel)

Saturday 19th September 2026 Feria

10am Mass Private Intention (AA) moved from 16th September

Confessions: 10.30-11.00am & 5.45-6.15pm

6.30pm – People of the parish

SUNDAY 20th SEPTEMBER: 25th SUNDAY YEAR A

7.30am Adoration

8.30am Mass – Hieronymus Raymond Msefya RIP

11am Mass – For the wellbeing of Maria Vassallo

Notice from our school: Nursery places available from January 2027. Please contact Mrs. Jane Day on 01689-841771 to arrange a visit. Thank you.

The display boards on the history of Eucharistic Miracles will be with us for this Sunday and next & will then be collected from us on **Tuesday 22nd September**.

THIS WILL ENTAIL THAT ALL ADORATION AND ALL MASSES FROM MONDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER TO TUESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 2026 INCLUSIVE WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE MAIN CHURCH, WITH ENTRY THROUGH THE MAIN DOORS ONLY, & EXIT VIA THE MAIN DOORS OR SIDE-CHAPEL.

During these 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 period for viewing of the display boards. **A SCHEDULE OF THOSE DATES AND TIMES HAS BEEN DISPLAYED ON BOTH OF THE PORCHES' NOTICE BOARDS.**

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 all those 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 Smith, Maria Smith, Edith Mack, Eileen Evans, Tilly Whitmore, Celia Hulbert, Maura Malinoff, Amelia & Georgina Holmes, Ken Rowland, Maria Rowland, Anita Gregory, Victoria Kana, Jamie Prince, P. Vaughan, E. Hanks, Pat Enver, Julie Jones, Tyrone Phillips, Saoirse Hennessey, M. Slattery.

September 6th: Attendance: **184** 1stCollection: £**394.33** Gift-aided: £**271**
Loose: £**123.33** 2nd Collection: £**108.34**

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