



ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, 16 AUGUST 2026

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Monday - Feria

9.30am - Holy Mass

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Wednesday - Feria

6-6.45pm - Exposition & Confession

6.45pm - Benediction

7pm - Mass

Thursday - St Bernard

9.30am - Holy Mass

Friday - St Pius X

9.30am - Holy Mass

Saturday - Queenship of Our Lady

9.30am - Holy Mass

10am - Confessions

5-5.15pm - Confessions

6pm - Vigil Mass

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.30am - Holy Mass

11.30am - Holy Mass

Rosary 25 mins before Mass exc. Sun

Prayers: we remember the sick, the housebound and we ask God for a lasting and just peace to the various conflicts in the world.

Fr Deeley is on annual leave. We are pleased and grateful to have Father Selvaraj among us.

We pray for the repose of the soul of Mr George McDonald RIP of U.P Lane aged 95. He will be received into the church on Wednesday, 2 September at 5pm. The Requiem Mass for the happy repose of his soul will be offered on Thursday 3 September at 9.30am. Your prayers are also asked for Mr Francis Hughes RIP of Arden Grove who has died aged 96. The details of his Requiem Mass are yet to be confirmed. ✠*Requiescat in pace*✠

Children's Liturgy This Weekend The primary school children who are at 11.30am Mass are invited to gather quietly below the statue of St Patrick a

few moments before Mass. The leaders will be there holding the big red children's liturgy book. As soon as the priest makes the Sign of the Cross they go to the hall, returning at the Offertory.

Youth Group will restart back again on Thursday, 27 August from 6.30pm to 8pm. The new primary fives are now able to join as soon as their mums and dads have completed a consent form. These are available from the chapel house.

The Next Square Sausage Sunday will be on Sunday 30 August after the 9.30am Mass. Pop in and enjoy a hot roll, good company for only £2.

Stonework 17-21 August: After a lot of toing and froing, resulting in a delay of almost a year, we have been given new dates for the stonework that was due to be done in the church. As a reminder, the temporary wooden structure for the tabernacle will be replaced by a solid Portland Stone plinth, to match the stone of the altar. Our Lady's statue will be placed on a Portland Stone corbel in the reredos behind her altar. The foundation stone will be cleaned and there will be repairs made to the mortuary chapel stairs. The planned work to the baptismal font has already been done. As previously mentioned, the total cost of the work has been benefacted to the parish. Pray for our benefactors and all who are good to us.

Arrangements for stonework: From 17 - 21 August the church will be closed outside Mass times; Mass will be held in the Mortuary Chapel; access to the church for Mass will only be by the Mortuary Chapel Door; the top carpark will be closed; the bottom carpark at the house will remain open; we will be unable to have requiems in the main church during this time.

Parish Draw It's not too late, if you would like to support the parish draw, please contact the chapel house as the

new draw begins on the 25 August. You must be in it to win it!

Thinking of becoming a Catholic? If you or someone you know wishes to become a Catholic, speak to Fr Deeley as soon as possible to see if you are eligible and then to begin the time of instruction.

Next Baptismal Course: for parents and godparents is on Wednesday, 2 September, from 7- 8pm in the hall. Email the chapel house to book.

The Return of Chippy Tea Night & Social on Saturday 29 August after the Vigil Mass. Choice of fish, black pudding, or sausage suppers. Bring your own refreshment: £8. List at the back.

Women's Guild will resume on Monday 5 October from 2pm. If you are interested in joining, then pop along as all are welcome.

Save the dates!

August 29 - Chippy tea and (social)

October 10 - Mexican Night (social)

November 21 - Abbatones (social)

Registration for Confirmation will take place over next weekend after the Masses. Registration will be held in the Mortuary Chapel so make your way there straight after the final blessing.

Registration for First Holy Communion takes place over 29/30 August weekend after the Masses in the Mortuary Chapel.

Registration for First Confession takes place over the weekend of 5/6 September after the three Masses.

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

SACRED SCRIPTURE

[Always read through the scriptures prayerfully before Holy Mass.]

Entrance Antiphon

A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon beneath her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.

First Reading Revelation 12: 1-10

God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple.

And a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pains and the agony of giving birth. And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads seven diadems. His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and cast them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she bore her child he might devour it. She gave birth to a male child, one who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron, but her child was caught up to God and to his throne, and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God.

And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, 'Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come.'

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 45

R. On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir.

The daughters of kings are those whom you favour.

On your right stands the queen in gold of Ophir. **R.**

Listen, O daughter; pay heed and give ear: forget your own people and your father's house. **R.**

So will the king desire your beauty. He is your lord, pay homage to him. **R.**

They are escorted amid gladness and joy; they pass within the palace of the king. **R.**

Second Reading 1 Corinth.15:20-27

Brothers and Sisters: Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. For 'God has put all things in subjection under his feet.'

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

Mary has been taken up into heaven; the host of angels rejoice.

Alleluia.

Gospel

Luke 1:39-56

In those days Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a town in Judah, and she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, and she exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! And why is this granted to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold, when the sound of your greeting came to my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her from the Lord.'

And Mary said,

'My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked on the humble estate of his servant. For behold, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. And his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts; he has brought down the mighty from their thrones and exalted those of humble estate; he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has helped his

servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his offspring for ever.' And Mary remained with her about three months and returned to her home.

Communion Antiphon

All generations will call me blessed, for he who is mighty has done great things for me.



Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.