

Attendance and Collection

5th Oct Attendance 215 Collection £274.00

12th Oct Attendance 79 Collection £202.00

19th Oct Collection £239.00 (Claughton)

People who are Unwell If you would like the parish to pray for someone, please notify Father Sony on 01772 865229 for inclusion in the Bidding Prayers or newsletter.

Feast Days

Mon – ALL SOULS Commemoration of all the Faithful departed

Tues – St. Charles Borromeo

CAFOD's WORLD PRAYER MAP: United in Prayer for our sisters and brothers <https://cafod.org.uk/pray/world-prayer-map>

Our sisters and brothers in so many countries face immense difficulties due to conflict, violence, injustice and natural disasters. You can use the prayer map to pray for our world, in solidarity with our global family



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Sunday 2nd November 2025
ALL SAINTS AY - HolDay of Obligation
Readings – Year C Mass 10.30am

Parish Mission Statement

Our Parish, guided by the example of our patron St Francis of Assisi, seeks to be a welcoming Catholic Community by living, sharing and growing in faith. We strive to deepen our own relationship with Christ and meet the needs of others.

Mass intention is for the anniversary of John Edward Wilkinson

We pray for all who are unwell in our parish especially

Bill Bamber, Shirley Walker & Frank Morris

We remember Thomas Wilding Bridget Mary Piner Barbara Gornall Linda Shorrock & Mary Elizabeth Shorrock whose anniversaries occurs at this time.

Coffee and tea will be served at the back of church after mass.

THE TUESDAY MASS WILL RECOMMENCE ON TUESDAY 11TH NOVEMBER.

As it is Armistice Day, this will also be a Whole School Mass to remember all who lost their lives in the two great wars.

On the first Sunday of each month, we will be holding Children's liturgy especially for our younger worshippers. The children will be taken out at the beginning of mass for their own child centred liturgy and will return at the sign of peace. The liturgy will take place in the presbytery and parents with little ones are more than welcome to attend.

The First Childrens Liturgy will be today .

Christmas Meal

This years Christmas Meal will be held at The Cross Keys at Whitechapel on Sunday, 7th December at 12 noon. Please see Bernadette or maria if you would like to attend.

Diary Dates

Sunday 7th December : Christmas Meal

Sunday 14th December: Family Mass followed by Christmas Fair in school

Papal Curiosities

Which Roman church displays relics of the cross?

One of the relics that draws worshipers is a nail allegedly used to crucify Christ and is to be found in a circular, glass-enclosed silver casket in Rome's Santa Croce in Gerusalemme Church. It is about five inches long and tapers in its last quarter-inch to a blunt tip. There is some evidence to support its authenticity but no positive proof. Several other relics are housed in the same church: three wooden splinters from the cross; a fragment of the tobacco-colored, worm-eaten nameplate placed on top of the cross on

Pilate's orders with the Latin inscription *NAZARENUS IUDAEORUM*, and two thorns from the crown placed on the head of Jesus.

What does the name “Jesus” mean?

The meaning of the name “Jesus” is derived from both the Aramaic and Hebrew languages. In Aramaic, Jesus is “Yeshua”; in Hebrew, Jesus is “Joshua”. The three words-Jesus, Yeshua, and Joshua-mean savior.

Was Napoleon crowned emperor by the pope?

Pope Pius VII (1800-1823) went to Paris to crown Napoleon emperor in 1804, but when he got there, he discovered that Napoleon had not yet married Josephine empress, the pope insisted on a sacramental wedding, which aggravated Napoleon no end. Subtly, Bonaparte got his little revenge, however, by presenting Pius with a triple tiara. One of the gems encrusted in the tiara, a large emerald, had been forcibly extracted from Pius's Predecessor (Pope Pius VI) in a military-political maneuver by the French on their march into Italy.

How is the Vatican tailor able to dress the pope so quickly?

As soon as a new pope is elected by the college of Cardinals, he is dressed in robes that fit him on a temporary basis. Since the Vatican tailor does not know the size of the man who will be elected, he makes vestments in three or four sizes-so that when the new pope makes his initial appearance to the masses gathered in St. Peter's Square, he is wearing papal robes that have been hastily fitted to his size and held together only with safety pins, which are not visible.

