



Gunnersbury Catholic School
Prayer & liturgy Calendar 2025-2026

‘For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them’ Mt 18:20

**AUTUMN
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<u>W/c Sun</u>	<u>Sunday Gospel/ liturgical year</u>	<u>Thought for the Week</u>	<u>Catholic Feast days</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Theme</u>	<u>Chapel</u>
3 rd Sept	Matthew 16: 21-27 ‘Get behind me, Satan!’	“You must accept your cross; bear it courageously. It will carry you to heaven” St John Vianney	(8 th) The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Season of Creation (1st Sept - 4th Oct) (5 th) UN International Day of Charity https://seasonofcreation.org/ Theme ‘Let justice and peace flow’.	New Academic Year- Fresh beginnings	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch

<p>10th Sept</p>	<p>Matthew 18: 15-20</p> <p>If your brother listens to you, you have won back your brother</p>	<p>“The most beautiful blessing we have been given is the chance to repent” Quote from Islam</p>	<p>(14th) The Exaltation of the Holy Cross</p>	<p>(10th) Education Sunday</p>	<p>The Eucharist</p>	<p>Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1st & 2nd lunch</p>
	<p>Matthew 18: 21-35</p> <p>To be forgiven, you must forgive</p>	<p>It's about time we stopped buying things we don't need with money we don't have to impress</p>	<p>(21st) St Matthew</p>	<p>(15th -17th)Rosh Hashanah - Judaism</p>	<p>Sacrifice- Putting Others before yourself</p>	<p>Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1st & 2nd lunch</p>

17 th Sept		people we don't like. - Adrian Rogers	(24 th) Our Lady of Walsingham	(21 st) World Day of Peace https://cafod.org.uk/education/secondary-and-youth-resources/peace-liturgy (15th -17th)Rosh Hashanah - Judaism		Bishop Jim visit and Masses Y13 Mass at St John's
24 th Sept	<i>Matthew 20: 1-16</i> <i>Why be envious because I am generous?</i>	"Joy is the serious business of heaven." C. S. Lewis	(27 th) St Vincent de Paul (29 th) Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael (30 th) St Jerome (1 st) St Therese of Lisieux	World Day of Migrants and Refugees (26 th) (29 th) Sukkot - Judaism (4th -5th) Yom Kippur - Judaism	Peace, Gospel value	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch

1 st Oct	<p><i>Matthew 21:28-32</i></p> <p><i>Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you</i></p>	<p>There should be no discrimination against languages people speak, skin colour, or religion. - Malala Yousafzai</p>	<p>(4th) St Francis of Assisi (7th) Our Lady of the Rosary</p>	<p>Black History Month (7th) Harvest Family Fast day (4th) St Francis Day (4th -5th) Yom Kippur - Judaism (2nd) Little Way Week (loving actions)</p>	<p>Gospel Value Justice</p>	<p>Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1st & 2nd lunch</p>
8 th Oct	<p><i>Matthew 21: 33-43</i></p> <p><i>This is the landlord's heir: come, let us kill him</i></p>	<p>"Promise me you'll always remember you're braver than you believe, and stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think." – Christopher Robin from Winnie the Pooh</p>		<p>(10th) World Mental Health Day (13th) Caritas Big Sleep Out World mental health day 2023 theme: celebrating the power of community kindness.</p>	<p>Importance of Family</p>	<p>Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1st & 2nd lunch</p>

15 th Oct	<i>Matthew 22: 1-14</i> <i>Invite everyone you can to the wedding</i>	“Judge not and you will not be judged; condemn not and you will not be condemned; forgive and you will be forgiven” Gospel of Luke	(15 th) St Teresa of Avila (18 th) St Luke	(17 th) International Day for the Eradication of Poverty (18 th) Anti-slavery Day	The Church as the Body of Christ	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch
29 th Oct	Matthew 22: 34-40 The commandments of love	“It is health that is real wealth and not pieces of gold and silver.” Mahatma Gandhi	(1 st) All Saints (2 nd) All Souls (4 th) St Charles Borromeo	(6 th -18 th) UN Climate Change Conference	Poverty and equality	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch
5 th Nov	<i>Matthew 23: 1-12</i> <i>They do not practise what they preach</i>	“Peace cannot be kept by force; it can only be achieved by understanding.” Albert Einstein	(10 th) St Leo the Great (11 th) St Martin of Tours	(9 th) World Freedom Day (11 th) Remembrance Day	Remembrance	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch
12 th Nov	<i>Matthew 25: 1-13</i> <i>The wise and foolish virgins</i>	“All major religious traditions carry basically the same message, that is love, compassion and forgiveness the important thing is they should be part of our daily lives.” Dalai Lama	(13 th) Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini	(14-18 th) Anti-bullying Week	Giving to Charity	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch

19 th Nov	Matthew 25: 14-30 You have been faithful in small things: come and join in your master's happiness	"Hope is being able to see that there is light despite all of the darkness." Desmond Tutu	(22 nd) Saint Cecilia	(24 rd) Red Wednesday https://acnuk.org/our-campaigns/redwednesday/	A Gospel for all People-inclusiveness	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch Year 8 Mass St John's	

26 th Nov	<i>Matthew 25: 31-46</i> <i>I was naked and you clothed me; sick, and you visited me</i>	“The best preparation for good work tomorrow is to do good work today.” Elbert Hubbard	(30 th) St Andrew	(26 th) CHRIST THE KING~ Hear the Cry; Respond with Hope document* https://unfccc.int/cop28 (2 nd) International Day for the Abolition of Slavery	Gospel Value-Faith	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch Year 9 Mass St John’s
3 rd Dec	<i>Mark 13: 33-37</i> <i>If he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep</i>	“You, yourself, as much as anybody in the entire universe, deserve your love and affection.” Buddha	(8 th) The Immaculate Conception	(7 th) Hanukkah - Judaism	Advent - Catholic Social Teaching-Solidarity	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch
10 th Dec	Mark 1: 1-8 A voice cries in the wilderness: prepare a way for the Lord	“It is the obligation of every person born in a safer room to open the door when someone in danger knocks.” – Dina Nayer	(14 th) St John of the Cross	(10 th) World Human Rights Day (18 th) International Migrants Day	The Call of John the Baptist Catholic Social Teaching-Peace	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch
17 th Dec	<i>John 1:6-8, 19-28</i> <i>‘There stands among you the one coming after me’</i>				Christmas the birth of Christ Catholic Social	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch

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SPRING TERM

<u>W/c</u> <u>Sun</u>	<u>Sunday Gospel/</u> <u>liturgical year</u>	<u>Thought for the</u> <u>Week</u>	<u>Catholic</u> <u>Feast days</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>HOY</u> <u>Assembly</u> <u>Theme</u>	<u>Chapel</u>
7 th Jan	The Epiphany of the Lord Matthew 2: 1-12 The visit of the Magi	“The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing.” - Walt Disney	The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God (8 th)		Epiphany	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch

14 th Jan	John 1: 35-42 'We have found the Messiah'	"The weak can never forgive, forgiveness is an attribute of the strong" Mahatma Gandhi		(18 th) Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (18 th) Martin Luther King day	Baptism of Jesus	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch St Carlo relic and presentation
21 st Jan	<i>Mark 1: 14-20</i> <i>I will make you into fishers of men</i>	Never apologize for showing feeling. When you do so, you apologize for the truth. Benjamin Disraeli	(24 th) Our Lady of Peace (25 th) The Conversion of St Paul, Apostle	(24 th) UN International Day of Education (27 th) Holocaust Memorial Day (theme: Fragility of Freedom) https://www.hmd.org.uk/what-is-holocaust-memorial-day/this-years-theme/	The greatest commandment given by Jesus, 'Love God and others'	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch
28 th Jan	Mark 1: 21-28 Unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority	"Blessed is he who expects nothing, for he shall never be disappointed." – Alexander Pope	(28 th) St Thomas Aquinas (31 st) St John Bosco (2 nd) The Presentation of the Lord		Gospel Value - Love	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch Y7 Mass at St John's
4 th Feb	<i>Mark 1: 29-39</i> <i>He cast out devils and cured many who were suffering from disease</i>	"Darkness cannot drive out darkness: only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate: only love can do that." – Martin Luther King Jr.	(8 th) St Josephine Bakhita ~ ~		The Prodigal Son	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch
11 th Feb	<i>Mark 1: 40-45</i> <i>The leprosy left the man at once, and he was cured</i>	"Angry people are not always wise." – Jane Austen	(11 th) Our Lady of Lourdes St Damian (12 th) (14 th) Ash Wednesday	(11 th) World Day of prayer for the Sick (23 rd) CAFOD LENT FAMILY FAST DAY	The First Passover	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch

				(14 th) Safer Internet Day (14 th) Valentine's Day		
25 th Feb	<i>Mark 9: 2-10 This is my Son, the Beloved</i>	Lent is about prayer, fasting and charity - what are we doing?	(1 st) St David	(25 th FEB-5 th March) FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT https://www.fairtrade.org.uk/get-involved/current-campaigns/fairtrade-fortnight/ (3 rd) World Day of Prayer (3 rd) CAFOD Family Fast Day	FAIRTRADE 1 st Week of Lent Catholic Social Teaching-Dignity	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch
3 rd Mar	<i>John 2: 13-25 Destroy this sanctuary and in three days I will raise it up</i>	'Women in time to come will do much' Mary Ward IBVM	Saint Piran's Day	(8 th) International women's day	2 nd Week of Lent- Catholic Social Teaching-Option for the Poor	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch Year 9 Mass St John's

10 th March	<p><i>John 3: 14-21</i></p> <p><i>God sent his Son so that through him the world might be saved</i></p>	<p>Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me.” – Saint Patrick</p>			<p>3rd Week of Lent- Catholic Social Teaching- Creation and the Environment</p>	<p>Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1st & 2nd lunch</p>
17 th Mar	<p><i>John 12: 20-33</i></p> <p>If a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it yields a rich harvest</p>	<p>“Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.” Jesus</p>	<p>(17th) St Patrick (19th) St Joseph</p>	<p>(22nd) World Water Day (22nd) Ramadan - Islam (23rd) Purim Judaism</p>	<p>4th Week of Lent- Catholic Social Teaching- Dignity of Work and Participation</p>	<p>Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1st & 2nd lunch Year 10 Mass St John’s</p>
24 th Mar	<p><i>Palm Sunday</i> <i>Mark 14: 1-15; 47</i></p> <p><i>The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark</i></p>	<p>To one who has faith, no explanation is necessary. To one without faith, no explanation is possible. Thomas Aquinas</p>	<p>(24th) St Oscar Romero (25th) The Annunciation of the Lord (6th) Holy Thursday (7th) Good Friday</p>		<p>Easter Service and preparation for Holy Week</p>	<p>Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1st & 2nd lunch</p>

Summer Term

<u>W/c Sun</u>	<u>Sunday Gospel/ liturgical year</u>	<u>Thought for the Week</u>	<u>Catholic Feast days</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>HOY Assembly Theme</u>	<u>Chapel</u>
14 th April	Luke 24: 35-48 It is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.	“We often talk of saving the planet, but the truth is that we must do these things to save ourselves.” – David Attenborough,			Season of Mary- Mary Visits Elizabeth	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch
21 st April	John 10: 11-18 The good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep	“Love God, serve God; everything is in that.” -St. Clare of Assisi	(23rd) St George (25th) St Mark	(21st) Eid-al-Fitr - Islam (22 nd) World Earth Day (21 st) World Day of Prayer for Vocations https://www.earthday.org/	Season of Mary- The Nativity of Jesus	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch
28 th April	John 15: 1-8 I am the vine, you are the branches	“When people talk, listen completely. Most people never listen.” – Ernest Hemingway	(29th) St Catherine of Siena (1st) St Joseph the Worker. (4th) The English Martyrs		Season of Mary- The Presentation of Jesus in the Temple	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch

5th May	John 15: 9-17 <i>You are my friends if you do what I command you</i>	“Never judge a potato by its skin. One day, it will be french fries.” – Ian Wilson	(9 th) Ascension of the Lord	(2nd) Deafness Awareness Week (7th - 14th) Mental Health Awareness week	Season of Mary- Mary finds Jesus preaching in the Temple	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch
12th May	John 17: 11-19 Father, keep those you have given me true to our name	Leadership is not a position or a title it is an action		(12th -18th May) Christian Aid Week https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/key-appeals/christian-aid-week	The Eucharist	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch
19st May	Pentecost Sunday John 15: 26-27, 16: 12-15 The Spirit of truth will lead you to the complete truth	Whatever words we utter should be chosen with care for people will hear them and be influenced by them for good or ill. Buddha		(20th) World Bee Day (21st) World Communications Day	Communication	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch

Half term

7 th June	Corpus Christi Mark 14: 12-16, 22-26 This is my body; this is my blood	We can rely on Jesus and turn to his Mother Mary when we are in need.	(6 th) Mary, Mother of the Church. (7 th) Sacred Heart		Our Common Home	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch
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9 th June	Mark 3: 20-35 A kingdom divided against itself cannot stand	“Pray, Hope, and Don’t Worry” -St. Pio of Pietrelcino	(13 th) St Anthony of Padua		World Refugee Week	Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday Friday Mass 1 st & 2 nd lunch
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16 th June	<p>Mark 4: 26-34</p> <p>The kingdom of God is a mustard seed growing into the biggest shrub of all</p>	<p>“No one puts their children in a boat unless the water is safer than the land.” Warsan Shire, writer.</p>		<p>(20th) World Refugee Day</p> <p>https://www.unhcr.org/world-refugee-day</p>	<p>Creation- A gift from God</p>	<p>Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday</p> <p>Friday Mass 1st & 2nd lunch</p>
23 th June	<p>Mark 4: 35-41</p> <p>‘Even the wind and the sea obey him’</p>	<p>“No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of another.” – Charles Dickens</p>	<p>(22nd) St John Fisher and Thomas More.</p> <p>(23rd) The Birthday of St John the Baptist</p>	<p>(29th) Eid-al-Adha - Islam</p>	<p>St Peter and Paul</p>	<p>Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday</p> <p>Friday Mass 1st & 2nd lunch</p>
30 th June	<p>Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles</p> <p>Matthew 16: 13-19</p> <p>You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church</p>	<p>There is no place for selfishness-and no place for fear! Do not be afraid, then, when love makes demands. Do no be afraid when love requires sacrifice. – Pope John Paul II</p>		<p>Plastic free July</p>	<p>Our role as stewards</p>	<p>Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday</p> <p>Friday Mass 1st & 2nd lunch</p>
7 th July	<p>Mark 6: 1-6</p> <p>‘A prophet is only despised in his own country’</p>	<p>Talent without working hard is nothing.</p> <p>Cristiano Ronaldo</p>			<p>The Eucharist</p>	<p>Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday</p> <p>Friday Mass 1st & 2nd lunch</p>
14 th July	<p>Mark 6: 7-13</p> <p>‘Take nothing with you’</p>	<p>Joy is prayer; joy is strength: joy is love; joy is a net of love by which you can catch souls.</p>	<p>(16th) Our Lady of Mount Carmel</p>	<p>(18th) Nelson Mandela Day</p>	<p>End of Year - celebration of success</p>	<p>Morning Prayer Tuesday-Thursday</p> <p>Friday Mass 1st & 2nd lunch</p>

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