

Our Lady of Light & Saint Osyth
National Shrine of Our Lady of Light, Spouse of the Holy Spirit

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<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Prayer to the Holy Spirit</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Come Holy Spirit, by the means of the powerful intercession of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, your well beloved Spouse. Amen.</i></p>		<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Daily Offering of myself to Jesus through Mary.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Our Lady of Light, Spouse of the Holy Spirit, I give thee my whole self, soul and body. All that I have or may have to keep for Jesus, that I may be His for evermore. Amen.</i></p>
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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

SANCTUARY LAMP DEDICATIONS: This week:

Our Lady of Light Chapel: Rose Twyford RIP - Paul

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Rose Twyford RIP - Paul

OFFERTORY COLLECTION / DONATIONS: Please make your weekly offerings by standing order. If you are a taxpayer, you can Gift Aid the amount without any cost to yourself. Funds received last week:

- Standing Order Offerings £807.00 of which £591.00 was gift aided.
- Collection Offerings £496.56 of which £95.00 was gift aided.
- Evangelii Gaudium Sunday £217.91 of which £56.20 was gift aided.

Thank you for your generosity, for Gift Aiding your offerings, and for your support of the Parish. Fr Patrick.

MARK 9:30-37 In the Gospel from Mark, Jesus explicitly told the disciples that He would be delivered into the hands of men; they would put Him to death and after three days He would rise again. We are told that they did not understand and were afraid to ask him. They needed to understand that Jesus had to suffer and die. This was His mission. God sent His only Son into the world to be the sacrifice for the redemption of humanity. It is through His cross and Resurrection that we are granted forgiveness for our sins and offered the gift of eternal life. All disciples of Jesus Christ must understand that we follow Him both to His cross and resurrection. There cannot be any resurrection without an embrace of the Cross. The disciples at Capernaum were looking forward to glory, power, prestige and position in society. Jesus was offering them humiliation, suffering and the Cross! In answering the disciples' arguments about which of them was the greatest, Jesus took a little child in His arms and said, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me, and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me. The child was a symbol of powerlessness and vulnerability. Those who are disciples of Jesus must be a servant to all. The followers of Jesus Christ must rely on God's strength and not on their own resources. What is the message of the Gospel today? If we are to be disciples of Jesus Christ we must live as He lived on earth. We will not achieve our redemption through seeking world power and prestige. We can only achieve our redemption by recognising our total dependence on the love and mercy of God.

KNIGHTS OF SAINT COLUMBA MEETING: A meeting will be held on Tuesday 24th September 2024 at 7.00 pm in the Parish Hall for any Catholic man interested in joining the Knights. Our Parish has historically always had an active group of Knights until recent years. The Knights exist to support the mission of the Catholic Church and at the same time work for the spiritual, intellectual and material welfare of its members and their families.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Any young person wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2025 should make a request in writing to Fr Patrick. You should be currently in Year 9 or above. The family must be registered with the Parish. Parish Registration Forms are available on our website or at the back of the church. The programme commences with a day retreat at Walsingham House at Abbotswick on 23rd November 2024. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet new friends, learn about your faith, and to receive the power of the Holy Spirit. Bishop Alan will be administering the Sacrament in 2025. Closing date for applications is 20th October 2024.

MASS INTENTIONS: The backlog of Mass Intentions has now been cleared. Mass Intentions are available at 2 weeks notice.

LOTTERY DRAW: Number 12 in the name of Alex Clifford £100.00.

FUNERALS: Please pray for the repose of the following souls:

Maureen Roberts Dec'd - funeral on Monday 23rd September 2024.

Terry Hall Dec'd - funeral on Tuesday 24th September 2024.

Michael Bradford Dec'd - funeral on Wednesday 25th September 2024.

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

Saturday 21st September 2024. <i>Feast of St Matthew, Ap, Ev.</i>	9.30am.	MASS: Harold Bonus Intentions. Mary.
Saturday 21st September 2024.	11.00am to 1.00pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
Saturday 21st September 2024.	11.00am.	DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.
Saturday 21st September 2024.	12.00pm.	THE ANGELUS AND THE HOLY ROSARY.
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Saturday 21st September 2024.	6.00pm.	MASS:
Sunday 22nd September 2024. <i>Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)</i>	8.30am.	MASS: Margaret Daly Intentions.
Sunday 22nd September 2024	10.30am.	MASS: Rose Twyford RIP. Paul Twyford.
Monday 23rd September 2024. Memorial of St Pius of Pietrelcina, Pr.	9.00am.	MASS: Joan Cohen Intentions. Nicola & Colin.

Tuesday 24th September 2024. <i>Memorial of Our Lady of Walsingham.</i>	9.00am.	MASS: Ger Mulgannon Intentions. Joan Gilmore.
Tuesday 24th September 2024.	12.00pm.	FUNERAL MASS: Terry Hall RIP.
Wednesday 25th September 2024.	9.00 am.	MASS: Ryan & Cherry Intentions. John Henley
Saturday 28th September 2024.	9.30am.	MASS: Lee Family Intentions. Parish.
Saturday 28th September 2024.	11.00am to 1.00pm.	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.
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Saturday 28th September 2024.	12.00pm.	THE ANGELUS AND THE HOLY ROSARY.
Saturday 28th September 2024. <i>Vigil of the Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B).</i>	6.00pm.	MASS: Sarah Cooper & Family. Lee Family.
Sunday 29th September 2024. <i>Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)</i>	8.30am.	MASS: Annie Monterio RIP. Tara.
Sunday 29th September 2024	10.30am.	MASS: Dominic & Mary Henley. John Henley.
Sunday 29th September 2024.	2.00pm.	BAPTISM: Stevie O'Hare.