



Church of the Most Sacred Heart

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Mass times:

Sunday-8.30am, 10.00am
11.30am, 6.00pm

Mon-Friday 10am

Saturdays – 10.00am,
6.00pm (Vigil Mass)

Saturday: Sacrament of
Reconciliation:
10.30-11.00am

Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament & Rosary:
Mon - Fri: 9.00 – 9.45am

Annual Mass Count

During the next few weeks the annual Mass count takes place in all the Catholic Churches in England and Wales. I am very grateful to those people who help with this important task each year.

Church livestream

All our Masses are now streamed on YouTube.
<https://www.youtube.com/@SacredHeartRuislipChurch>
Please note: If you are seated in the front rows of the church, you may appear on our YouTube livestream.

Pastoral Letter from the Cardinal

Next weekend (27/28 September 2025), a Pastoral Letter from Cardinal Vincent Nichols will be read at all Masses. The letter marks the 175th anniversary of the Diocese of Westminster and the Restoration of the Hierarchy in England and Wales. A copy will be available to read on the parish website and an article by Fr. Nicholas Schofield on the history of the Diocese.

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Newsletter for the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Secondary & Sixth Form School Admissions – September 2025

Fr. James will be signing Certificate of Catholic Practice forms for **secondary school and sixth form applications** in the coffee lounge from **Monday 22nd September 5-7pm**. Please ensure you bring the applicant's baptism certificate with you to the meeting. Fr. James will have copies of *Certificate of Catholic Practice* with him. All those parents applying to faith secondary schools must see Fr. James, even if reference forms are sent out from the school to the priests directly. **NB: The Certificate of Catholic Practice is a statement that the child concerned is being raised in a practicing Catholic family. This means the family are fulfilling the commandments by coming to Mass each Sunday.**

Please note secondary school applications and sixth forms will be dealt with first.

Primary school and nursery applications will be dealt with from the end of October.

First Reconciliation and Holy Communion Preparation 2025/26

Families are invited to register for the First Reconciliation and Holy Communion Preparation Programme using the form linked [here](#): (2 pages) or use the QR code on the poster on the catechetics board in the porch. Registration closes on **Friday 26th September 2025**.

PLEASE NOTE: applications **after** the deadline will not be accepted.

Initial date for your diary: Parent Information Evening **Wednesday 8th October 7.30pm** in the Hesdin Hall. Sessions for the children will begin mid October.

Confirmation Enrolment 2025/26

Candidates are invited to register for the Confirmation Preparation Programme using the form linked [here](#): (3 pages) or using the QR code on the poster on the catechetics board in the porch. Registration closes on **Friday 26th September 2025**.

PLEASE NOTE: applications **after** the deadline will not be accepted.

Initial date for your diary:

Parent and Candidate information evening, Tuesday 21st October 7.30pm in the Hesdin Hall.

Candidates Meet the Catechists - 1:1 interviews, Tuesday 4th Nov. Drop in between 6pm - 8pm.

RCIA

It's still not too late to join our RCIA classes for this year. Contact Daniela, details at the top of the page, if you are interested. The next meeting is on **Wednesday 1st October** at **8pm** in the coffee lounge.

Lourdes 2026

Anyone who will be over the age of 16 by the start of July 2026 is invited to express their interest in volunteering on the Lourdes pilgrimage. You can find out more about the volunteering roles on our website under -Youth-Lourdes Pilgrimage- and by reading the news articles or by watching the YouTube videos of our young people sharing their experiences.

Youth News

There have been a few big events over the summer that our young people have been involved in. Thank you to parishioners who financially contributed and to those who prayed for our young people. To find out what they have been up to have a look at the news section of our website [link](#) and the videos on our youtube <https://www.youtube.com/@SacredHeartRuislipChurch>
Our parish social media accounts will also have up to date news. Instagram - @sacredheartruislipyouth
Facebook - Church of the Most Sacred Heart Ruislip

First Friday Lunch 3 October

All parishioners, of any age, are invited to the Jubilee Trust's next 3-course Friday Lunch, in the Bec Suite on **Friday 3 October** at **12:15pm**, for £7.50. If you would like to join, please sign up on the clipboard in the Church foyer, at the latest by 1 October.

With Deepest Sympathy

We offer our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of :

Joseph Hernandez whose Funeral Mass takes place on **Tuesday 23rd September** at **11.30am**, followed by Committal at Breakspear Crematorium.

Bridget Meere whose Funeral Mass takes place on **Friday 10th October** at **11.30am**, followed by Committal at Breakspear Crematorium.

May they rest in peace.

School Open Days

Please have a look at the school notice board in the church foyer for details of secondary school open days.

Advent Day 30th November 2025

We are looking for volunteers to take part in a 2 hour Advent fun art and craft afternoon for children between the ages of 5yrs and 11 year old. No experience required, just a willingness to let children have fun. Unfortunately, unless more volunteers come forward we will be unable to run this event. If you would like to volunteer please let Vivienne Sheard know on

badgersacredheartscoutgroup@gmail.com

Foodbank

The SVP foodbank at St Gregory's is supporting more families than ever, around 150 families every week. There is a real need for potatoes, noodles, jam, sugar, cooking sauces, juice, rice, toilet roll, fruit puddings. Many thanks.

Calling All Young Explorers!

Beavers: Do you have a little adventurer at home? Our Beavers group is a fun and welcoming space for boys aged **6 - 8 years** to make friends, discover new skills, and enjoy exciting activities from crafts and games to outdoor adventures!

Interested in joining the fun? Spaces are limited, so don't wait!

Contact badgersacredheartschoutgroup@gmail.com to find out more.

Scouts: Ever wonder what it is like to go down a rope at high speed, climb a rock face or camp in January? Scouts have spaces available for boys aged **10 - 14 years old**.

Contact badgersacredheartscoutgroup@gmail.com to find out more.

Catechist Training at St Thomas More Parish, Eastcote

This autumn, Eastcote parish is hosting seven Tuesday evening training sessions (7–9pm) led by the Westminster Diocese Agency for Evangelisation. These sessions will support all involved in parish catechesis—whether in Sacramental preparation, Children's Liturgy, RCIA, or those simply interested in learning more. The first three evenings (**23rd & 30th Sept, 7th Oct**) are open to everyone as an introduction to catechesis.

The following four evenings focus on specific areas:

14th Oct: First Holy Communion & Reconciliation, 21st Oct: Children's Liturgy

4th Nov: Confirmation, 11th Nov: RCIA. All parishioners are warmly invited—especially anyone curious about getting involved. No commitment required!

Mass Intentions for the week – 20th – 28th September 2025

Saturday 20 th September	10.00 Mary McGowan, (Ann) 18.00 Michael Ronan, RIP
Sunday 21 st September <i>25th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	08.30 Connie Murphy, RIP 10.00 For You The People 11.30 Oliver Lennon, (Ann) 18.00 Margaret Healey, Ints
Monday 22 nd September	10.00 Daniel Clifford, RIP
Tuesday 23 rd September <i>St. Pius of Pietrelcina</i>	10.00 Ian Scargall, RIP Mary O'Brien, Ints 11.30 Joseph Hernandez, RIP. Funeral Mass
Wednesday 24 th September <i>Our Lady Of Walsingham</i>	10.00 Margaret Corbett's, Ints Clojah Linden
Thursday 25 th September	10.00 Patrick Leane, RIP Mary Faughey, Ints
Friday 26 th September	10.00 Michael Rowan, RIP
Saturday 27 th September	10.00 Tome De Sounza, RIP 18.00 60 th Wedding Anniversary Maria & Edward Hicks
Sunday 28 th September <i>26th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	08.30 For You The People 10.00 Barbara Lakin, (Ann) 11.30 Mary Corrigan, (Ann) 18.00 Thomas O' Brien, (Ann)

(Please note the Rosary is recited every week day morning in the Church at 9.30am)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

Susan Acton, Bernadeta Herrera, Daniella Ciccio, Livia Emmanuel, Pauline Walsh, Edward Vivier, Janet Smith, Sheila Morrison, Andrew Wilson, Barbara Steadman, Theresa Jefferson, Kevin Horner, Edward Barrett, Celine Edwards, Adrian Cunningham, Nora Ahearne, Mary Kilcommon, Irene Leonard, Sarah Anstis, Mary O'Neill, Lesley Spearing, Anne Rourke, John Brown, Paul McSorely, John & Elena Clifford, Joseph Prathas, Timothy Cahillane, Lily Brown, Mary Connell, Celeste Giblin, Thomas Manjooran, Yvonne Foxen, Audrey Rossiter, Eddie Higgins, Gerard Kennedy, Mickey Cunnew, and Perry Kersey.

AND FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS ABOUT THIS TIME:

Mary McGowan and Oliver Lennon.