

OUR LADY OF PITY AND ST SIMON STOCK CHURCH

19th July 2026
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
First Reading: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 86
Second Reading: Romans: 8. 26-27
Gospel: Matthew 13:24-43
Parish Mass book page: 105

PLEASE CONTACT YOUR MP TO OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE

The Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill is back in the House of Commons and seeks to legalise assisted suicide. It will have its Second Reading and vote on Friday, 11 September 2026. Please write to your MP to make your voice heard and oppose the Bill. "This bill is wrong in principle," says Archbishop Richard Moth, President of the Bishops' Conference, "It is also deeply flawed and, if passed, could lead to vulnerable people feeling pressured into ending their lives. The Bill has a serious lack of protection for health and social care staff and risks putting many wonderful hospices and care homes in the position of no longer being able to operate. I urge you to write to your Members of Parliament to petition them to vote against the Bill at Second Reading."

You can support the Archbishop's call and contact your MP now as a matter of urgency. Even if you have already done so in the past, please speak up and voice your opposition. The charity Right to Life UK has a simple online mechanism to do this. It takes little more than a few minutes to enter your postcode, make sure the suggested text suits your viewpoint and submit your message to ask your MP to stop this flawed Bill progressing through parliament.

For more information and resources, visit:

cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide
righttolife.org.uk/Sept11vote

POPE LEO'S FIRST ENCYCLICAL LETTER MAGNIFICA HUMANITATIS

This deals with the dignity of the human person in a world of fast technological advancement and especially in relation to AI. For the full text of the document please refer to CAFOD website cafod.org.uk

PARISH OFFICE

is now closed over the Summer period. Please email or leave a message on the answerphone if you have any enquiries. Office will reopen Wednesday 2nd September.

GETTING MARRIED? Couples intending to get married need to give at least six months' notice, as required by the Diocese. Pre-marriage preparation provides an opportunity to reflect, not just on the wedding, which is for a day, but on the marriage, which is for life, as well as looking at the other necessary arrangements. Anyone getting married within the next year should be in contact with Canon Michael. If you know of couples hoping to marry in the coming year, please draw their attention to this notice.

INTERNATIONAL PARISH SUMMER LUNCH & SENIORS SOCIAL & YOUNG ADULTS BBQ

Thank you to everyone who attended or organized these to parish event everyone enjoyed themselves.

The food was delicious!

PARISH FINANCE. A copy of our annual finance report is in the entrance please take one. An appeal was made for more people to give by monthly standing order and use gift aid. Forms are in the entrance also please take one and return to the parish office. A big thank you to everyone for their generous giving and supporting the work at St Simon's.

DONATE TO THE CAFOD VENEZUELA EARTHQUAKE APPEAL

Visit cafod.org.uk/Venezuela or call 0300 999 0030. You can help those affected by the 24th June earthquakes in Venezuela with emergency shelter, water and food. CAFOD is already working with local Church partners to support people who have lost their homes, but they need your support to help more survivors. Your donation will provide essential supplies and help families rebuild their lives. Please use the QR Code if you prefer. Thank you for your generosity.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS) is open to adults who are not baptized, adults who have been baptized in another Christian tradition and who now wish to become members of the Catholic Church, or baptized Catholics who have not received the Sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation. If you are interested to know more please introduce yourself to Canon Michael after mass or email the Parish Office to arrange a chat with Canon Michael.
If you have helped with RCIA in the past and would like to support others in their journey of faith please let Canon Michael know.

CAN YOU HELP OVER THE SUMMER?

Many of our regular parishioners take a break over the Summer but some stay at home. Can you help with teas and coffees in August after morning Mass so as those who are alone can stay behind for a chat and relax in the garden after Mass? If you are available to do this can you email the Parish Office or let Fr. Michael know. Hopefully we can put a temporary rota together to cover the holiday period.

MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS

Sunday 19th July 2026	9.30am 11.15am 6pm	People of the Parish Fr George Marsden RIP Kathleen and David Kenny Int.
Monday 20th July Feria	10.00am	Sigrid Anderson RIP
Tuesday 21st July Feria	10.00 am	Paul Nathan Int.
Wednesday 22nd July St Mary Magdalene	8.00am	Private Intention
Thursday 23rd July St Bridget		No Mass today
Friday 24th July St Sharbel Makhluuf	10.00am	Edmund Sixsmith RIP
Saturday 25th July St James	10.00am	O'Brien family Int.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions)**Saturday morning 10.30 am -11.30 am****YOU TUBE LIVESTREAM**

Every Sunday 09:30am Mass is
livestreamed via **YouTube**.

Please subscribe to us!
ST SIMONS, PUTNEY



If you wish to DONATE to the
Parish via phone please scan the
QR code which links you to Dona.

MARRIAGE: If you are planning to get married here or abroad at least 6 months' notice is required so as the adequate preparations can be made. Contact the Parish Office for more information

PARISH DATABASE If you are a new or existing parishioner, please visit our website and complete a registration form via Church Suite. This is an opportunity to ensure that all of your contact information is up to date. Your information will be confidential and not passed onto any third party. It will only be accessed by Canon Michael and the parish office staff for administration purposes only. Thank you.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & BENEDICTION

Every Friday morning 9:00am – 9:45am. Spend a few minutes before Our Lord in the Eucharist asking for his peace and blessing.

LUMINISCENCE – WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL

This immersive audio visual experience in Westminster Cathedral is a 360° video projection concert that narrates the story of London and the iconic Neo-Byzantine mother church of the Diocese of Westminster. The stunning visuals are blended with live performances of the great composers brought to life by the Lux Aeterna choir. Voiced by Paddington and Downton Abbey star Hugh Bonneville, this 50-minute performance uses 24 laser projectors, which bring the Cathedral to life with colour and imagery. For more information see:
<https://luminiscence.com/london/>

SUPPORTING ST SIMON'S

If you would like to make an
offering via bank transfer, the
Parish account details are:

NatWest, Sort Code 60-17-11,
Account: 20404131. Please give
your surname then initial as a
reference. If you have not
previously signed a gift aid
declaration, please print from our
webpage under the 'Gift Aid' tab
and email a completed copy to the
Parish Office or put through the
Priests House letter box.

Standing order forms and gift aid
declaration forms are in the porch.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Safeguarding: Moira Bennett 07764 939 631

Our Lady of Victories School: 020 8788 7957

Convent: Franciscan Missionaries of Mary: 0208 780 1828

Marriage Preparation Days: Philip & Mary Pond: mflsw@rcaos.org.uk

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Weekly Offerings

5th July: £470.00

Contactless: £495.00

12th July: £577.00

Contactless: £665.00

2nd collection Stella Maris:

£456.00

Contactless: £945.00

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appreciated.**