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**A VERY IMPORTANT DATE:
SATURDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER 2026
MARCH FOR LIFE U. K.**

14 BISHOPS WILL ATTEND this year
including our own Archbishop John
Wilson and Bishop Paul Hendricks.

**PLEASE COME AND JOIN THEM!!
PLEASE SEE THE Find the Route for
THE MARCH FOR LIFE UK 2026
on the
MARCH FOR LIFE UK EVENT PAGE:**

**Holy Mass at 10:30am in
Westminster Cathedral.**

March starting point and time:
1:30pm at The Emmanuel Centre,
Marsham St, Westminster, SW1 P
3DW For the pre-march exhibitions
and rallies

The Route: the March processes
through Central London, passing
notable locations such as Millbank,
Whitehall, Trafalgar Square before
returning to **PARLIAMENT SQUARE**
for the speeches.

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**STOP ASSISTED SUICIDE
BEING LEGALISED**

Assisted suicide campaigners have sadly
brought back the Leadbeater Bill. This
can be stopped if MPs vote down the Bill
on **11 September (9/11!)**

RIGHT TO LIFE UK has launched
an **EasyAction tool** to help you
email your MP

to ask them to vote **NO** to assisted
suicide in the vote in the House of
Commons on 11 September.

Please take 30 seconds to email
your MP today to ask them to
vote **NO** to assisted suicide:
**[https://righttolife.org.uk/
Sept11vote](https://righttolife.org.uk/Sept11vote)**

RCIA

Here is an invitation for those
adults who are **NOT YET:**

BAPTISED, or perhaps
CONFIRMED, or have not yet
**Received Our Lord for the
First time in HOLY COMMUNION**,
or begun to meet our Lord
in the Sacrament of **CONFESSION**,
who are adults, that is
18 years old and above:

**THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN
INITIATION OF ADULTS:**
also known as: RCIA.

RCIA is for any Adult who
wishes to become a Catholic,
or complete their Initiation as
Catholics, through
the Sacraments of:

- 1) BAPTISM/ Christening,
- 2) CONFIRMATION and
Reception of the Most Holy
Eucharist/
- 3) HOLY COMMUNION,
And, of course,
- Penance, Pardon and Peace,
- 4) CONFESSION.

**PLEASE SEE
and give your name to
Fr David as soon as possible.**

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**Pope Leo XIV prayer
intention for August 2026:
FOR EVANGELIZATION IN THE CITY:**

Let us pray: that in large cities,
often marked by anonymity and
loneliness, we find new ways to
proclaim the Gospel, discovering
creative paths to build community.

5.

**R. C. ARCHDIOCESE
OF SOUTHWARK (RCAOS)**

**Day for Parish Catechists:
Saturday 3rd October 2026
in the Amigo Hall next to
St George's Cathedral,
Southwark,**

**from 10:00 to 16:00,
concluding with Holy Mass.**

**A Day for all Catechists
involved with
First Sacraments:
Holy Communion,
Reconciliation /
Confession,
and Confirmation.**

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**THE YEAR OF ST FRANCIS:
OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS, ERITH**

**To mark the eighth centenary of
the death of St Francis of Assisi,**

Our Lady of the Angels,
Northumberland Heath, Erith,
has organised a programme of
celebrations and devotional events
during the remainder of the Year.

From **Saturday 1st August
to Saturday 26th September**,
the Parish will hold nine novena
themes based Franciscan spirituality.

These will be accompanied by
exhibitions of relics of Franciscan
Saints and of the Eucharistic Miracles
exhibition devised by **St Carlo
Acutis.**

Guest speakers will be present
at each Holy Mass.

**On Saturday 3rd October at
17:30**

will include the special liturgy of the
Transitus, commemorating the pass-
ing of St Francis from this life
to eternal life.

On Sunday 4th October,
Archbishop John Wilson
will celebrate

10:30am Holy Mass of
the Feast of St Francis.

Further information is available from:
**[www.olaerith.org.uk/
year-of-St-francis](http://www.olaerith.org.uk/)**

6. HEARTS IN SEARCH OF GOD
www.pilgrimways.org.uk
Note on the Let Us Walk pilgrimage

A walking pilgrimage for England & Wales from Maidstone to Southwark, London October 5th to 9th 2026
Ambulemus ut Adoremus:
Let us walk that we may adore

At the Hearts in Search of God Spring Gathering a proposal was made for a national walking pilgrimage in the week before the Adoremus Eucharistic Celebration on 10th October 2026. The pilgrimage will start at the Church of St Francis of Assisi in Maidstone and finish at the Metropolitan Cathedral of St George in Southwark on Friday 9th October. The walk will mark the Year of St Francis of Assisi and will embody his values of joy, simplicity, humility, peace and love of creation. A small group of perpetual pilgrims will walk the full distance, joined by day pilgrims who will register for each day.

The route is currently being finalised, but the plan is as follows:

- Monday 5th October: From the Church of St Francis in Maidstone to Aylesford Priory
 - Tuesday 6th October: From Aylesford Priory to the Church of the Most Holy Trinity, Otford
 - Wednesday 7th October: From the Church of the Most Holy Trinity Otford to the Church of St Vincent, Dartford
 - Thursday 8th October: From the Church of St Vincent, Dartford to the Church of Our Ladye Star of the Sea, Greenwich
 - Friday 9th October: From the Church of Our Ladye Star of the Sea, Greenwich to the Metropolitan Cathedral of St George, Southwark.
- More details and registration can be found at:

<https://www.pilgrimways.org.uk/let-us-walk-that-we-may-adore-2026>

FROM THE DIOCESAN NEWSLETTER:

WAF - WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA SYMPOSIUM:
Fatima &

First Saturdays Devotion.

Join

Sr Angela de Fátima Coelho

and Fr Lawrence Lew OP

at Belmont Abbey (21 Nov) or London (22 Nov)

for Mass, Rosary, and talks on the Fatima message.

Free; register via:

worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk



Please keep the First Saturday Devotions to help SAVE THE WORLD at this time!

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+ J. M. J. + JESUS, + MARY, and + JOSEPH +
Newsletter Supplement: 16th August Anno Domini 2026
THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Vigil: 176 - 178, Day: 178 - 181 pages in the Parish Mass Book

(Music in Parish Mass Book begins page 205,

Gloria: page 208, **Preface Dialogue** page 15, **Holy, holy / Sanctus** page 16, **Mystery of Faith:** "SAVE US, SAVIOUR OF THE WORLD, ..." page 17, **Lamb of God/Agnus Dei** page 216)



THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

is, in some ways, the paramount feast of Our Lady, since it commemorates her passing, body and soul, into glory in heaven, where she stands beside her Son 'in garments of gold'. Though the dogma of the Assumption was only defined in 1950, by Pope Pius XII, it was widely believed by the earliest Christians. The Blessed Virgin truly leads the way; she fulfilled her vocation in humility and, given her Immaculate Conception, the grave was no place for her body. Where she is now, we one day hope to be.