

Last Sunday after Trinity 26th October 2025

Collect Prayer

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them
that, through patience,
and the comfort of your holy word,
we may embrace and for ever hold fast
the hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us in our Saviour, Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading (Jeremiah 14.7-10, 19-22)

A reading from the Prophecy of Jeremiah.
Although our iniquities testify against us,
act, O LORD, for your name's sake;
our apostasies indeed are many,
and we have sinned against you.
O hope of Israel,
its saviour in time of trouble,
why should you be like a stranger in the land,
like a traveller turning aside for the night?
Why should you be like someone confused,
like a mighty warrior who cannot give help?
Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us,
and we are called by your name;
do not forsake us!
Thus says the LORD concerning this people:
Truly they have loved to wander,
they have not restrained their feet;
therefore the LORD does not accept them,
now he will remember their iniquity
and punish their sins.
Have you completely rejected Judah?
Does your heart loathe Zion?
Why have you struck us down
so that there is no healing for us?
We look for peace, but find no good;
for a time of healing, but there is terror instead.
We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD,
the iniquity of our ancestors,
for we have sinned against you.
Do not spurn us, for your name's sake;
do not dishonour your glorious throne;

remember and do not break your covenant with us.
Can any idols of the nations bring rain?
Or can the heavens give showers?
Is it not you, O LORD our God?
We set our hope on you,
for it is you who do all this.

The Psalm (Psalm 84)



Response: Great is the glory of the Lord, Alleluia!

My soul is longing and yearning,
is yearning for the courts of the Lord.
My heart and my soul ring out their joy
to God, the living God. **R/**

The sparrow herself finds a home
and the swallow a nest for her brood;
she lays her young by your altars
Lord God of hosts, my king and my God. **R/**

One day within your courts
is better than a thousand elsewhere.
The threshold of the house of God
I prefer to the dwellings of the wicked. **R/**

Second Reading (2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18)

A reading from Paul's Second Letter to Timothy
As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Reading (Luke 18: 9-14)

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.
He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, "God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even

like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner!" I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

Post Communion Prayer

God of all grace,
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry
with the bread of his life
and the word of his kingdom:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your true and living bread;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

For your prayers

In our Prayers: Tommy Lacken, Martin Fletcher,
Terry Folan, Sheila Hoppenbrouwers, Eamon Irvine,
Fr Michael Shier, Carol Martin, Philomena Sorrenti,
Maggie Stevenson, Hope Oram, Sherry Lacken, Doug
Williams, Neville Thomas, Lynn Williamson, Juan
Carlos Mandich, Nancy Mandich, Eliane Ferreira
Batista, Joanne Dack, Jaqueline Ives, Joan Rivellini,
Tommy Naylor

Among the departed: Percival Flude

Anniversaries of Death: Margaret Watson, Hannah
Ingram, Inez Zaccarini, John Nelson Burrows (Pr),
Albert James Geary, Saverio Sabatino, Eleanor Cobb,
Doris Barber, Gertrude Lommas, Charles Rowe, Kate
Buchanan

In our parish: We pray for Helmet Row and LSO St
Luke's

In the wider world:

We pray for the Middle East and a peaceful
resolution of the conflict in Gaza and between Israel
and Iran. We pray for all those suffering in those
conflicts.

Notices

This week in church...

Wednesday Open Church: 10am-1pm

11-12am Study Group

12.30pm Mass

Sunday 2nd November

A Requiem Mass will be celebrated for all the
Faithful Departed. Sheets for including loved ones in
the intercessions are available. This is a beautiful
service to which to invite friends and neighbours,
please make every effort to attend.

Remembrance Sunday

Sunday, 9th November 10.30am

Remembering victims of war and conflicts past and
present, and with prayers for the peace of the
world.

Parish Confirmation

St Clement's Day Sunday 23rd November

A celebration of the life of the Parish on the Feast of
our Principal Patron Saint, with Confirmations.

If you're not Confirmed, but would be interested,
it's not too late but please speak to the clergy soon.

King Square Coffee

Community Room, Blackwell House
(between President House and Rahere House)

Tuesday afternoons 1.30-3.30pm

Friday afternoons 12.30-2pm

A chance to chat with your neighbour and catch up
over coffee, tea, soup and sweet treats. Everyone
welcome!

St Clement's Shopping Basket

The basket provides the chance week by week to
donate to a collection of dried and tinned food and
toiletries which can be passed directly to the **Dunloe
Centre at St Saviour's Priory** which works with the
homeless and the very poor in our part of London.
Please give what you can.

THE DUNLOE CENTRE always needs the following:

TINNED FOODS (ring pull for preference)

Corned beef and meats of all kinds.

Fish

Soups (all flavours), baked beans, spaghetti in
tomato sauce.

Fruit, rice pudding and custard.

Vegetables (chick peas and pulses are the least
useful)

DRIED GOODS

Cup-a-soups, potnoodles and instant noodles.

TOILETRIES (mostly for men)

Shower gel, shampoo, soap, deodorant, face
flannels

Disposable razors, shaving cream, pocket-size packs
of tissues