

12.30 pm Mass
 1.05 am Mass
 3.00 pm *Capitular Mass of Farewell. Archbishop Vincent Nichols.
 4.30 pm Relics Depart
 5.00 pm Evening Prayer
 5.30 pm Mass (said)
 7.00 pm Cathedral closes as normal

Four priests available for Confession from 10.30am-2.30pm

*** Indicates that admission to this liturgy is by ticket only. If limited space becomes available, the public will be admitted to the cathedral.**

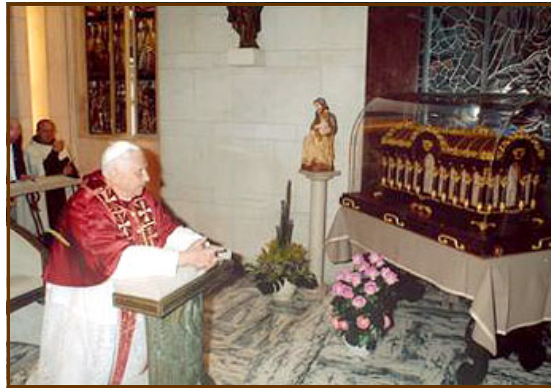
Preparatory Novena 4th-12th October

For the nine days prior to the arrival of the Relics, a novena prayer will be added to each Cathedral Mass praying for a grace filled visit of the Relics to the Cathedral and her pilgrims.



Catering and Shopping

In addition to a selection of devotional items, books and souvenirs on sale in the Cathedral Shop, there will be a further branch to the shop in the Cathedral Hall, where there will also be a Café serving a wide variety of high quality food and drinks. Other catering outlets are in the vicinity of the Cathedral. Please support these enterprises as their success will help defray the great costs associated with the visit of the Relics to the Cathedral. WCs are located at the Hall as well as on the Piazza. First Aid will be provided by St. John Ambulance.



The Relics of St. Thérèse

St Thérèse (1873-97) was a Carmelite nun with an intense love of Jesus Christ. Her living for Him in the smallest events of her daily life became known as her 'Little Way' and it shows that such an extraordinary spiritual life can be lived through the apparently ordinary. Her Relics remind us of God's presence in her life and are a focus for our prayer.

Lord Jesus, through the life of St. Thérèse, you have brought new hope to all who long to open their hearts to you. Teach us the secret of her Little Way and help us to realise that we can always talk to you and bring you our gratitude, our smiles and our tears. Stay with us, Jesus, so that in the midst of our busy hours, we may turn to you in loving trust. Transform each passing moment of time into a moment of prayer. Fill every troubled heart with the confident faith of St. Thérèse. In joy and in sorrow, in every circumstance, may our hearts rest in your peace. Amen.

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The visit of the Relics of
 St. Thérèse of Lisieux
 to
 Westminster Cathedral



12th October—15th October 2009

The Relics of St. Thérèse of Lisieux will be placed in the centre of the Cathedral nave from 7.00pm on Monday 12th October to 4.30pm on Thursday 15th October 2009. The arrangements in place are intended to ensure that as many pilgrims as possible can venerate the Relics by filing passed them, even while the Cathedral's liturgical life continues as normal. To celebrate the presence of the Relics and to highlight the life and witness of St. Thérèse, some of the Cathedral's liturgies will be celebrated with greater solemnity and there will be additional liturgies in the service of the sick, the young and the Holy Father's intentions for The Year of Priesthood. There will also be an Ecumenical Service. However, the principal normal means of venerating the Relics remains a prayerful participation along the pilgrimage route to visit the Relics themselves.

The Pilgrimage Route to the Relics

The entrance for the pilgrimage route to the Relics is on the front right hand side of the Cathedral façade looking at the Cathedral from the Piazza. However, if queuing is necessary, the pilgrimage route will begin towards the far end of Ambrosden Avenue to the left of the Cathedral. From there pilgrims will be stewarded along the route to the entrance. There should be opportunities to buy candles, roses and light refreshments along the route, and if the queue is particularly slow moving, the big screen in the Piazza will assist prayerfulness by broadcasting what is going on in the Cathedral as the pilgrims approach it. Stewards will be on hand to assist those in need but **PILGRIMS ARE URGED TO MAKE PROVISION FOR QUEUING** with, for instance, warm clothes, waterproofs, perhaps an umbrella or portable seating, some drinking water. Once inside the cathedral, where prayerful silence is particularly necessary as there may be a Mass or other liturgy taking place, pilgrims will make their way to the Relics and then passed them. Other than at the busiest times, there should be a possibility of leaving the pilgrimage route after passing the Relics and taking a place in the central part of the nave in front of the Relics for additional prayer.

Parish Groups / Other Groups

Recognising the unpredictability of the time required for the normal pilgrimage route, and that the composition of some groups may preclude queuing, the Cathedral has designated an area of the nave immediately in front of the Relics for groups (excluding school groups for whom separate provision is made). These groups need to make a specific booking (see Contacts, on back page) with the Cathedral, and present themselves as a group and at the appropriate time to the Stewards at the corner of the Cathedral Piazza and Ambrosden Avenue. The group will then be accompanied to their place along a route which is entirely wheelchair accessible. Regrettably, it is

impossible, unless there is no queue in the Pilgrimage Route at all, for those on a group booking, to file passed and touch the Relics: however they will be directly in sight of and in close proximity to the Relics. In that place pilgrims are asked to maintain a prayerful silence. However, various side chapels can be booked by groups at specific times where quiet catechesis or prayer would be possible (see Contacts, on back page).

School Groups

Wednesday 14th is the day particularly designated for school visits. The Cathedral's sanctuary and side chapels, with thirty chairs in each of them, are available for catechesis and prayer. The periods are: 11.10-11.40; 11.50-12.20; 1.50-2.20; 2.30-3.00; 3.10-3.40; 3.50-4.20; 4.30-5.00. On Tuesday 13th the periods are only: 11.10-11.40; 11.50-12.30; 1.50- 2.30. On Thursday 15th the periods are: 11.10-11.40; 11.50-12.20. The Relics are not visible from the side chapels but it would be hoped to escort the children to the Group Bookings area in front of the Relics at the end of their session or, depending on take-up, even join the pilgrimage route passed the Relics. For school bookings please see Contacts, on the back page. On arrival school groups should report to the Stewards at the Morpeth Terrace entrance to the Cathedral.

The Liturgies

The Cathedral's liturgical life continues its normal pattern, with some additional liturgies. Other than for ticketed liturgies, it should be feasible to join, either as an individual or a group, any of the liturgies. Entrance to them however, is only from the Cathedral entrances on Ambrosden Avenue or Morpeth Terrace. The screen across the Cathedral nave will ensure that the Liturgies and the veneration of the Relics can continue at the same time. **THERE IS NO ACCESS FROM A LITURGY TO THE RELICS**, neither are the Relics visible from the sanctuary side of the nave. Priests are welcome to concelebrate by presenting themselves at the sacristy in good time; those unknown to the Cathedral might do well to bring a *celebret*.

The Liturgical Schedule

Unless noted, entrance to all the liturgies is by the Cathedral side doors on Ambrosden Avenue and Morpeth Terrace **ONLY**

Monday 12th October

- 5.00pm *Evening Prayer
- 5.30pm * Capitular Mass of Welcome. Bishop John Arnold.
- 6.30pm *Arrival of Relics
- 10.00pm Cathedral closes

Four priests for Confession from 5.00pm-9.00pm

Tuesday 13th October, Solemnity of St. Edward the Confessor

- 7.00 am Cathedral opens/Mass
- 7.40am Morning Prayer
- 8.00 am Mass
- 10.30 am Latin Mass
- 12.30 pm Mass
- 1.05 pm Mass
- 3.00 pm *Sacrament of the Sick. Bishop Alan Hopes. (Entrance from main doors off Cathedral Piazza)
- 5.00 pm *Solemn Vespers
- 5.30 pm *Capitular Mass of St. Edward the Confessor. Archbishop Vincent Nichols.
- 7.30 pm *Ecumenical Service. Bishop George Stack. Guest Preacher: Rt Rev'd Graeme Knowles, Dean of St Paul's Cathedral.
- 9.30pm Opening Liturgy of All Night Vigil for The Year of Priesthood. Bishop Bernard Longley. Cathedral remains open.

Four priests for Confession from 10.30am-9.00pm

Wednesday 14th October

- 7.00 am Mass
- 7.40 am Morning Prayer
- 8.00 am Mass
- 10.30 am Latin Mass
- 12.30 pm Mass
- 1.05 pm Mass
- Schools' visits with use of sanctuary and side chapels. (Booking required.)
- 5.00 pm *Evening Prayer
- 5.30 pm *Capitular Mass. Bishop Patrick Lynch of Southwark.
- 7.30 pm *Young People's Evening Liturgy (Entrance from main doors off Cathedral Piazza.) Mgr. John Armitage of Brentwood. Cathedral remains open to all for All Night Vigil

Four priests available for Confession from 10.30am-9.00pm

Thursday 15th October, Feast of St. Teresa of Avila

- 7.00 am Mass
- 7.40 am Morning Prayer
- 8.00 am Mass
- 10.30 am Latin Mass