

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

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9TH NOVEMBER 2025 – DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday – Thursday No public Mass

Friday & Saturday Morning 9.30am Mass

Saturday Evening 6pm (Vigil Mass of Sunday)

Sunday

9.30am (English)

CONFESSION

Before Mass on Saturday evening, or any time on request

LITURGICAL DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 10th November St. Leo the Great, Pope -Memorial

Tuesday 11th November

St. Martin of Tours, Bishop
Memorial

Wednesday 12th November **St. Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr** -Memorial

Thursday 13th November St. Machar, First Bishop of Aberdeen - Memorial

Friday 14th November **Weekday of Ordinary Time**

Saturday 15th November

St. Albert the Great, Bishop &

Doctor of the Church

Sunday 16th November

33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time,

Year C – Also World Day of the
Poor and beginning of Catholic

Education Week

Remembrance Sunday

It's impossible for us to imagine what the world had gone through in the four bitter years before then, with multiple nations at war with each other, and then the aftermath of rebuilding trust across the globe. What is of note was the immediate desire never to forget the terrible human cost of war on such scale.

The Cenotaph in Whitehall was erected in 1920 to be the main memorial for those who had given everything that we might have what we enjoy today in terms of democracy, freedom, and peace. It was replicated by many local memorials in every parish church, village, town, and city across the nation because there was barely a single corner of the country that had not lost someone from their community such was the scale and reach of loss.

With another world war only 20 years later and lasting for six years, followed by all the campaigns since in defence of world peace or national protection, the time of Remembrance has become the best way we can say a collective 'thank you' to so many who have protected and defended world order and our nation.

Therefore, what society does today and on Remembrance Sunday is an annual salute to that innate human instinct to protect peace and all who live by it, to protect life in all of its ages against threat, and to live by principles so hard won in times past. For all this and more, we say thank you to them and to God.

(Fr Paul McCourt, Army Chaplain and Priest of the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle; https://www.cbcew.org.uk/remembrance-reflection-2025/)

Campaign Against Assisted Dying are inviting parishioners to work with people from other parishes to lobby local MSPs. CAAD will set up local face-to-face meeting with groups to support them with facts and concerns which can best challenge stages 2 and 3, and the final vote on the Assisted Dying Bill. The timing of the final vote may be before Christmas, so it's vital to act now. If you're interested in helping in a group to lobby local MSPs, please let Fr. Bruno know, or email the parish on catholicchurchbanff@gmail.com

Children's Rosary. On the 2nd Sunday of the month, beginning **today, Sunday, 9th November**, we're going to pray a Children's Rosary before Mass. The Rosary will **begin at 9:00am**.

Children of all ages and ability are welcome to join, whether they know the prayers or not. Very little ones can place a flower at the foot of a special statue of our Lady, which will be arranged before the altar.

Free juice and biscuits for the children in the parish room after Mass!

If the children have an intention that they would like the Rosary to be prayed for, please have them write it out and take it with them, so they can place it in the intentions box. Any intentions parishioners would like the children to pray for can be added to the intentions box (stored at the back of the Church) throughout the month.

November Book of Remembrance

It is a good thing to attend Mass and pray for our deceased friends and relatives.
Please remember to write in the Book of Remembrance the names of deceased persons for whom you would like Masses to be offered in November.

It's a holy a pious thought to pray for the dead, that they might be delivered from their sin. (Cf. 2Mac 12:45)

Offertory collections:

Sun 2nd Nov: Cash £213.50 Gift Aid Envelopes: £20 Fabric Donation £10 Candle Offerings £86.20 Thank you for your

Thank you for you support!

Child Photography Consent Forms. As part of the ongoing improvement in Safeguarding within the diocese, we now have new updated forms granting photo and video permission for children and young people under the age of 18. We would ask that a form is completed for each child in the parish. You can choose which section you grant permission for, including permission for your child to appear on live-stream events. These will be updated annually. Please note that 16–17-year-olds may sign their own forms. The forms are available at the back of the church. We ask all families with children to kindly complete the form. Please return the signed form to one of the priests or Theresa Allan, our PSC. All forms should be returned by the end of November. Please note that permissions can be withdrawn at any time by contacting the parish.