

Irenaeus Newsletter

November '26

From the desk



November is a poignant time for many people. As the leaves fall from the trees and the weather becomes colder we tend to remember happier times and those we have loved who have died. It's not just a gloomy time it's a time that's pregnant with hope and resurrection. As we remember those we have loved we are reminded in the cold and dark that resurrection does come. Just as the seasons will change so those we remember and mourn will rise and be caught up in the love of God that knows no end. So this is the month of remembrance and as we remember let's do so in faith trusting in our God who brings life out of seeming death. Be assured that at Irenaeus we walk with you on your journey in faith.

Chris

WHAT'S ON AT A GLANCE

AGAPE MASS @ IRENAEUS
7pm 5th November & 3rd December '26

SONGS WE REMEMBER
2-4pm Wednesday 11th November
& 25th November'26

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING
9.15am - 4pm 28th November '26

COME AND SEE
7th November '26 & 5th December '26

SCRIPTURE MORNINGS
4th, 11th, 18th & 25th November '26

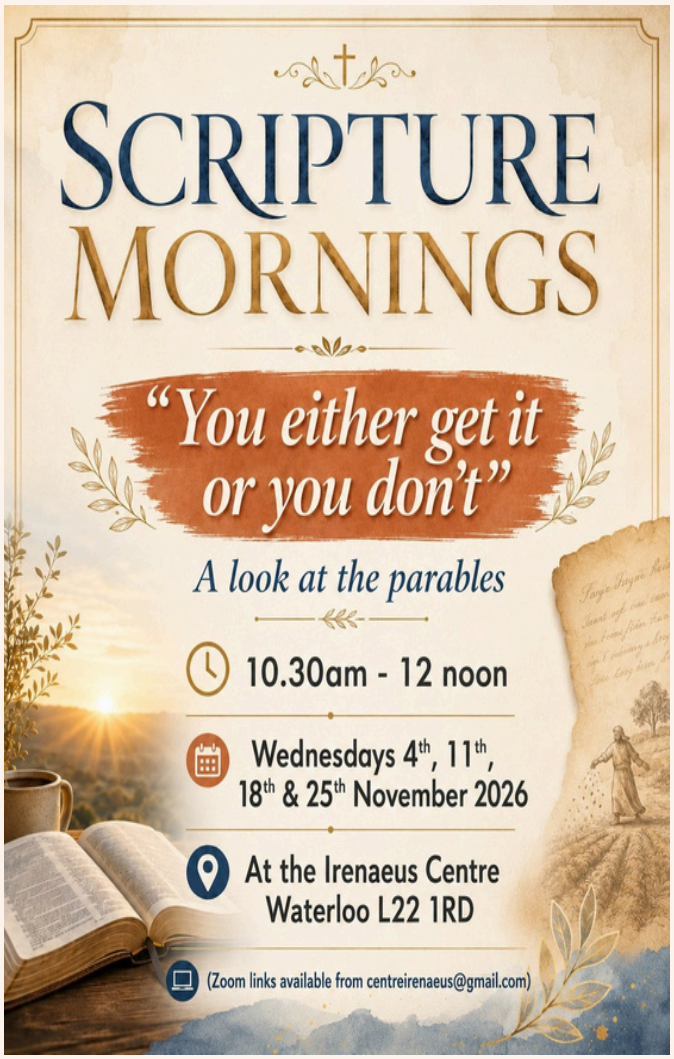
ADVENT DAY OF PRAYER
10am - 4pm Saturday 12th December '26

FRANK SINATRA CHRISTMAS SING-A-LONG
2pm 16th December '26

CAROL SERVICE
7pm 17th December '26

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
Bereavement support training 15th January '27
Men's Weekend 22nd - 24th January '27
Silent Retreat 12th - 14th February '27
Easter Retreat - 24th - 28th March '27

For regular events see the back page and for more information email centreirenaeus@gmail.com



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Moira's Meanderings



At this time of year when we have our harvest festivals and the Americans celebrate Thanksgiving, it highlights for me the importance of saying 'thank-you.' When we are able to say thank you it reinforces a culture of appreciation and respect. This simple act of gratitude can improve communication, build trust, and create a positive atmosphere in both personal and professional settings. Its good to be reminded of all that we want to thank God for. The challenge for this month could be to think of 5 things to thank God for before we go to sleep.

'In ordinary life we hardly realize that we receive a great deal more than we give, and that it is only with gratitude that life becomes rich. - Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Father Richard Rohr reminds us that when we receive everything as a gift, we can live gratefully, allowing the energies of life and love to flow through us to the benefit of the whole.

In Philippians 4:6–7, Paul sums up an entire theology of prayer practice in very concise form: "Pray with gratitude, and the peace of Christ, which is bigger than knowledge or understanding [that is, making distinctions —Richard], will guard both your mind and your heart in Christ Jesus." Only a pre-existent attitude of gratitude, a deliberate choice of love over fear, a desire to be positive instead of negative, will allow us to live in the spacious place Paul describes as "the peace of Christ."

It is important that we ask, seek, and knock to keep ourselves in right relationship with Life Itself. Life is a gift, totally given to us without cost, every day of it, and every part of it. A daily and chosen attitude of gratitude will keep our hands open to expect that life, allow that life, and receive that life at ever deeper levels of satisfaction—but never to think we deserve it.



EUCHARISTIC MINISTRY TRAINING DAYS

9:15am - 4pm SATURDAY 28TH NOVEMBER 2026

Parishes are invited to book places £15 a head,to be paid in advance. Book a place by emailing centreirenaeus@gmail.com



LIGHT OF THE WORLD

A Day of Prayer and Reflection for Advent



Saturday 12th December

10am to 4pm

at the Irenaeus Centre
Great Georges Road
L22 1RD

Suggested donation £10

Bring a packed lunch

For more information contact
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Come and prepare your heart for the light of Christ.

SONGS WE REMEMBER CHRISTMAS SING-A-LONG

With Frank Sinatra and friends (alias Dave Ashley)

All welcome

2pm - 4pm Wednesday 16th December
at the Irenaeus Centre
Great Georges rd L22 1RD

To book a place contact
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CHRISTMAS CRIB AND TREE FESTIVAL





The Irenaeus Centre
Great Georges Rd L22 1RD
10 am – 4pm
Monday 30th November to Thursday 4th December
(Friday 5th December Schools day)

Come along and enjoy Cribs and trees from around the world

Would you like to create and present a Crib, tree or Christmas flower arrangement?

Please contact centreirenaeus@gmail.com and bring them along to the centre on Friday 27th November 2026

THE IRENAEUS PROJECT

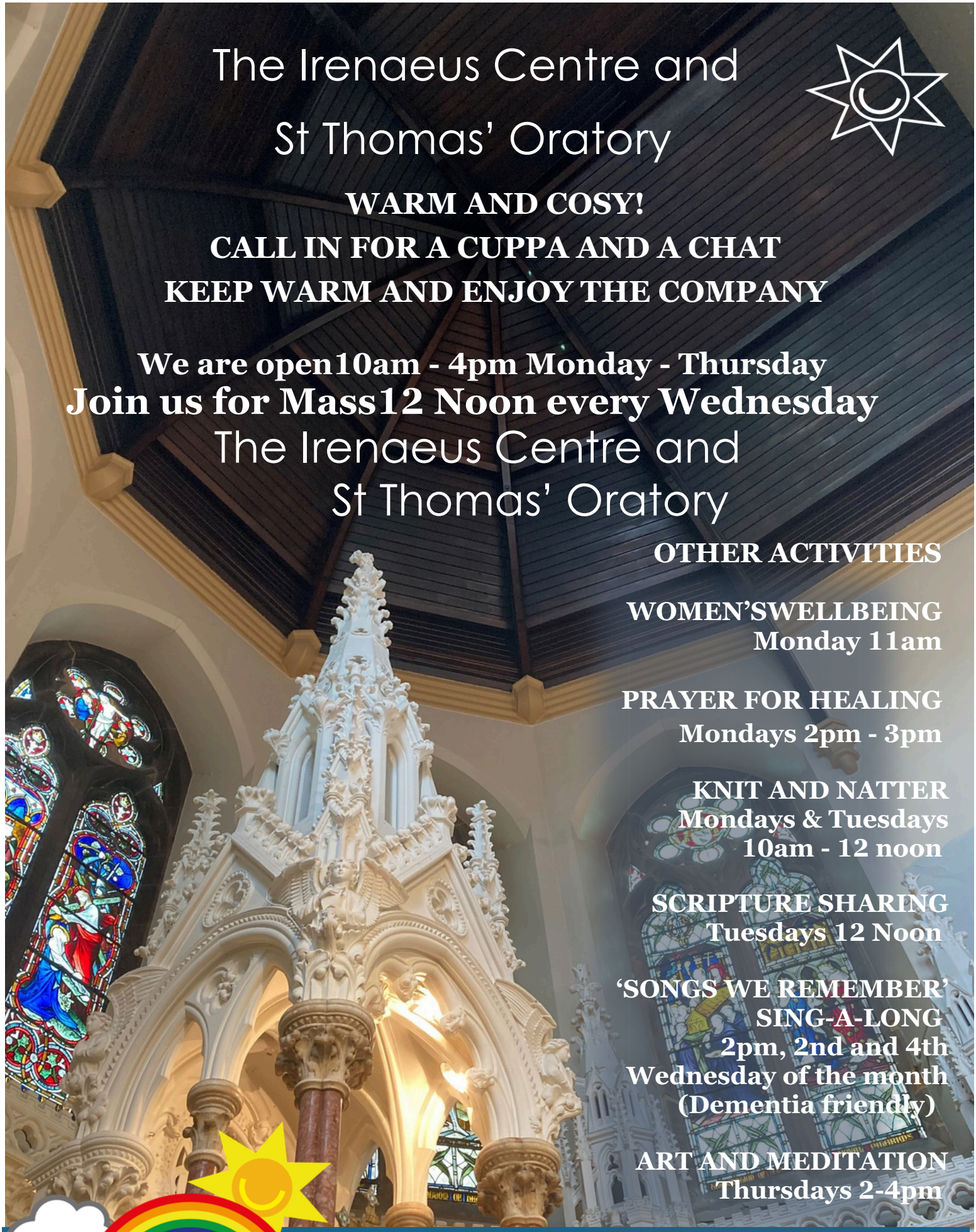
CAROL Service



with Mike Anderson and Tongues of Fire

7pm 17th December 2026

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The Irenaeus Centre and St Thomas' Oratory

WARM AND COSY!
CALL IN FOR A CUPPA AND A CHAT
KEEP WARM AND ENJOY THE COMPANY

We are open10am - 4pm Monday - Thursday
Join us for Mass12 Noon every Wednesday

The Irenaeus Centre and St Thomas' Oratory

OTHER ACTIVITIES

WOMEN'SWELLBEING
Monday 11am

PRAYER FOR HEALING
Mondays 2pm - 3pm

KNIT AND NATTER
Mondays & Tuesdays
10am - 12 noon

SCRIPTURE SHARING
Tuesdays 12 Noon

'SONGS WE REMEMBER' SING-A-LONG
2pm, 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month
(Dementia friendly)

ART AND MEDITATION
Thursdays 2-4pm

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