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**The Church of Our Most Holy Redeemer
and Saint Thomas More
Cheyne Row, Chelsea**



Icon of the Virgin Mary, Theotokos

Newsletter 1 January 2023

1 January : MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

Monday: St Basil the Great and St Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops
Friday; **THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

MASS

Monday – Thursday: *No Mass*

Friday 8.00am and 6.30pm

Saturday: 10.00am, 6.30pm

Sunday: 10.00am, 11.00am, 12.15pm, 6.30pm

Confessions: Saturday 5.30pm to 6.00pm

Morning Prayer: Monday and Tuesday 9.45am

Wednesday to Friday 7.45am

Saturday 9.45am Sunday 9.30am

Newly arrived in the parish – Please complete the Parish Registration Form, which is available at our website: holyredeemerchelsea.com.

Donations to the Parish can be made via: HSBC, Sort code: 40-05-20, Account no:91094386 Account name: Holy Redeemer Church, Chelsea.

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MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

It is some years since today's Solemnity occurred on a Sunday. It is an opportunity to reflect on Our Lady's unique role in the history of our salvation. The Council of Ephesus in AD 431 decreed that Mary is the Mother of God because Her Son Jesus is both God and man: one divine person with two natures (divine and human) intimately united. What we celebrate today is this Divine initiative, to which Mary responded so generously as her part in the Mystery of the Incarnation.

THANK YOU

Canon Paschal would like to thank all those who have given or sent cards, greetings or presents for Christmas. Also, as a parish, we thank those who helped prepare the Church for Christmas. Many of our visitors expressed their appreciation for the opportunity to worship here.

CRIB DONATIONS

Your donations at the Crib will be passed on to the Catholic Children's Society, which works with disadvantaged families. Alternatively, you can donate at their website cathchild.org.uk/crib.

AFTER MASS

On Sundays, refreshments are available downstairs in the Monckton Room after the 10.00am Mass and 11.00am Mass. Please do come along and say hello.

MASS TIMES

There will be no Masses celebrated from Monday to Thursday this week. As Friday is the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord, and a Holyday of Obligation, Mass will be celebrated at 8.00am and 6.30pm on that day.

GLASS DOOR

You might have wondered what provision there is for the homeless in this part of London. Though the situation is dire for those who find themselves without somewhere to call home, there is some good news. Glass Door has re-opened its night shelters. Glass Door is a local charity, which this parish has, in various ways, supported its work over the years. To find out more about how Glass Door supports those in real need, as well as how you can help, see glassdoor.org.uk.

CCP – CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE

If you need a Certificate of Catholic Practice to accompany an application this January for a place in a Catholic school, please do not delay in obtaining one. To qualify, your family should be attending Mass regularly in the parish where you request a CCP.

PARENTING

Internationally-renowned Character Education expert, Dr Karen Bohlin, is giving a talk on 'Parenting in the 21st Century' at The Laurels School, SW19 3FA on Monday 9 January at 7.30pm. Further details and tickets are available through Eventbrite: <http://bit.ly/3UY2wqb>

VOLUNTEERING IN THIS PARISH

If you can help with any of the following, please contact the Parish Office: Reading at Mass, helping at Mass as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, serving teas/coffees after the 10.00am and 11.00am Mass, helping the homeless, visiting sick and lonely people, Church cleaning, counting the Parish Collection. If you would like to know what is involved, please have a word with Canon Paschal.

MARY'S MEALS – DOUBLE THE LOVE

Until 31 January, every donation to the Mary's Meals Double The Love

appeal will be matched, up to £1.5 million. Mary's Meals is an amazing charity which each school day feeds 2,279,941 children! The Mary's Meals campaign began in 2002, and the charity is named in honour of Mary, the mother of Jesus, who brought up her own child in poverty. Today it is active in 20 countries. Take look at their website, marysmeals.org.uk.

SVP

St Vincent de Paul Society

This winter the SVP are distributing over 10,000 Vinnie Packs containing cold weather essentials to the homeless. Each pack contains thermal gloves, thermal hat, two pairs of socks, wet wipes or flannel, toothbrush, toothpaste, information sheet and pen. Please, could you help? Donations can be sent to Vinnie Packs, PO Box 72264, London SW1P 9EZ with cheques made out to SVP or by bank transfer to Nat West sort code 60-60-04, account no. 4608 8237.

WESTMINSTER YEARBOOK

The 2023 edition of the official yearbook of the Diocese of Westminster is available from the sacristy, price £5. The Westminster Year Book 2023 contains details of all the parishes, priests, and schools in this diocese, as well as the local Liturgical Calendar.