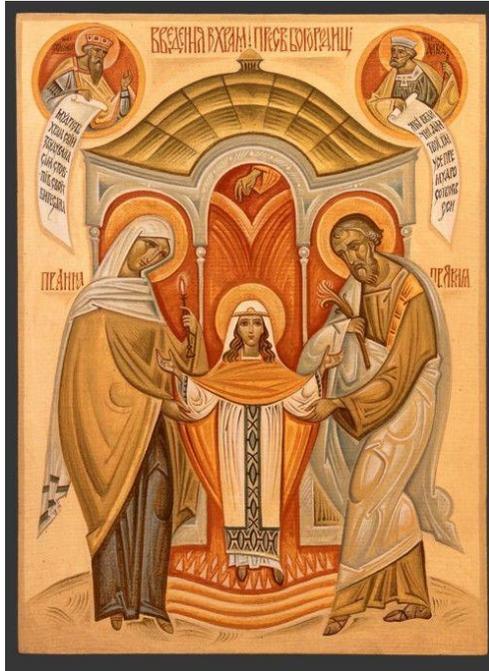


www.holyredeemerchelsea.com

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



THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
(contemporary)
by Kost' Markovych

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday evening 6.30pm Vigil Mass
10.00am Family Mass
11.00am Solemn Mass (Latin)
12.15pm Mass
6.30pm Mass

Newsletter 17th November 2019

Sunday 17th November: THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
(Parish Mass Book page 164)

Monday 18th November: Dedication of the Basilicas of St Peter and St Paul

Thursday 21st November: Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday 22nd November: St Cecilia

Saturday 23rd November: St Clement

DEVOTION TO THE MARTYRS

As in the month of November both the Church and civic society places a particular emphasis on remembering those whose memory we treasure, it is a fitting moment to consider the devotion to the Holy Martyrs which is a characteristic of our Catholic worship. The most important element of this devotion is that in the Martyrs we find examples of Christians who lay down their earthly lives for love of Christ. Many of them are pastors, following the example of Jesus who identified himself as The Good Shepherd who gives his life for his flock (John 10.1-21). While early Christians in Rome could visit the sites where martyrs died or were buried, we symbolically link our worship with theirs by placing relics of the martyrs in our altar. In assigning particular days to their memory we are recognising the sacred character of time, itself a gift from God, by focusing on those who used their time on earth to give glory to God in a total identification of themselves with Christ, who himself passed through undeserved suffering and an unjust punishment to eternal life. The keynote of their death is a generous love, which gives of itself and seeks the good, not harm, of others.

MASS DURING THE WEEK

Monday - Friday 8.00am, Saturday 10.00am

Confession: Saturday 10.30am - 11.00am, 5.30pm - 6.00pm

Morning Prayer: Monday - Friday 7.45am

Saturday 9.30am, Sunday 9.30am

Evening Prayer: Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 6.00pm

Newcomers Please introduce yourselves and complete and return to the Rectory a parish registration form, available in the church porch or on our website.

Mobile Phones Please turn off all phones before entering the church.

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

Text donation: Text 'PARISH CHELS' to 70800 to donate £5 to this parish.
Thank you.

Parish Priest - Canon Paschal Ryan

Tel: 020 7352 0777 Email: paschalryan@rcdow.org.uk

Parish Administrator - Rosslyn Okumu

Monday - Friday 9.30am - 1.30pm

Tel: 020 7352 0777 Email: chelsea2@rcdow.org.uk

The Rectory - 7 Cheyne Row, London SW3 5HS

TABERNACLE

The re-positioning of the tabernacle, approved by the Historic Churches Committee for the Diocese of Westminster, is under way. The tabernacle pedestal and some of the marble flooring has been removed, to be returned over the next two weeks. The work should be completed by the end of November. However, while the work is in progress, the church will not be available during the daytime. Unfortunately this means disruption for the First Holy Communion class and people who would otherwise pray. Please note that when the contractors are on site the church will be closed from 8.30am.

WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL: CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Tickets now on sale for the Christmas Celebration concerts on Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th December, 7.30pm, with celebrity readers and the Westminster Cathedral Choir and Orchestra. Tickets priced £10 - £50 available from @TicketmasterUK and the Cathedral Gift Shop. Book now to avoid disappointment!

SICK AND REIRED PRIESTS

This weekend we are having our annual collection for our contribution towards looking after the priests who have served in this Diocese and are now being supported because they are sick or retired. Envelopes are available at the back of the church if you wish to Gift Aid your donation. Please give generously.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

If any parents would like their children to join the children in the Children's Liturgy group, they are invited to take them downstairs to the Monckton room before the start of the 10.00am Mass. Parents are welcome to stay with their children to make sure they are happy. However, some children settle sooner without their parents present.

IICSA - INDEPENDENT INQUIRY INTO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE

Our Archbishop, Cardinal Vincent Nichols, has published a statement "Safeguarding in the Church today", which is available near the parish newsletters or on the Diocesan website rcdow.org.uk under the heading "Cardinal".

Please remember in your prayers those affected by the great suffering caused by all forms of abuse, but especially sexual abuse. We pray in particular for those who are sharing their experiences so that the Church may learn what needs to be done to keep people safe. May the current inquiry not only shed light on what has happened, but also serve to show us what needs to be done now and in the future.

CCP - CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE

Parishioners who need a CCP to accompany an application for a child to obtain a place in a Catholic school, are kindly requested to phone the Parish Priest to make an appointment. Please don't leave it to the last minute!

SACRED TREASURES

A concert of Spanish Renaissance and English Tudor music sung by the Schola Cantorum of the London Oratory School at Holy Trinity Church, Sloane Square on Thursday 28th November at 7.30pm. Tickets £15 (£10 concessions) available at the door or from lonondonratoryschola.com.

MALE AND FEMALE: UNDERSTANDING GENDER

A study evening organised by the Association of Catholic Women. Speaker: Dr Kerri Christopher of the Humanum Institute. In the Monckton Room at 7.30pm on Tuesday 10th December. Wine and light refreshments served from 7.00pm. Suggested donation £10. Details: associationofcatholicwomen.org.

CATHOLIC HISTORY WALK

On Sunday 17th November at 3.30pm from St John's Church N1 8AL for a walk around Islington called "Devotion, Dickens and a Daring Heroine". Cost: £10. Go to Eventbrite to book or simply come along. Email chwalkslondon@gmail.com or phone 07495 205 568. Website catholichistorywalks.com.

CATHOLIC SPIRITUALITY NETWORK

"Come to the Waters" Conference 2020. Friday 20th March to Sunday 22nd March at The Hayes Centre, Swanick, Derbyshire. Keynote speaker: Christopher Chapman. Cost: from £275. For more information and booking visit csn.retreats.org.uk or phone 07756 864784.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL RETURN

As a part of the Diocese of Westminster, a registered charity, we have to give a yearly audited report of how we have both raised and spent our money. This is available on the parish website under the heading "About" in "Parish Finance". If you have any questions, kindly email them to the Parish Priest. Likewise, if you have suggestions to make, or would like to help in any way with the life of the parish, please send him an email.

A DAY WITH MARY

Saturday 23rd November at the Church of Our Lady and St Dominic, Southampton Road, NW5 4LB, from 9.30am to 5.20pm. Procession, Mass, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Sermon, Benediction. Nearest Tube station: Belsize Park.

CONFIRMATION

For information about our 2020 Confirmation programme, please contact Rosslyn Okumu in the parish office 020 7352 0777 x2.

CLICK TO PRAY

The Pope's app that connects your prayer with the world. Download the app for free from clicktopray.org.

CATHOLIC TEACHERS

Are you a Catholic teacher working in a non-Catholic school? The Diocese of Westminster is hosting an evening to engage with teachers and leaders currently working outside Catholic education. 6.30pm to 8.00pm on Monday 18th November at Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street SW1P 1QN. To register a place, please email eduemc@rcdow.org.uk.

VISITING

A warm welcome to all our visitors. We hope you enjoy your stay. Please tell your friends where we are and encourage them to be sure to visit this lovely church, one of the hidden gems of Chelsea, when they come on a trip to London. For more information about our parish, have a look at our parish website: holyredeemerchelsea.com.

SINGLE?

Are you single, separated, widowed or divorced? Catholic Singles helps practicing Catholics meet other Catholics. A confidential service that arranges social events and sends members a monthly bulletin, as well as supporting Catholic parishes and charities. For information please contact Catholic Singles by email info@catholicssingles.org.uk.