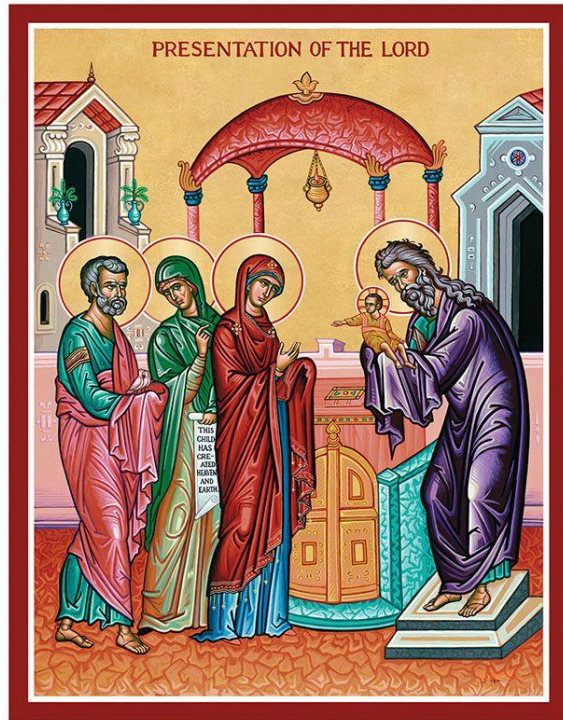


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**The Church of Our Most Holy Redeemer
and St. Thomas More
Cheyne Row, Chelsea**



SUNDAY MASS

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

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*Sunday 2nd February: THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
(Parish Mass Book page 300)*

Monday 3rd February: St Laurence, St Dunstan, St Theodore

Wednesday 5th February: St Agatha, Virgin Martyr

Thursday 6th February: St Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

Saturday 8th February: St Josephine Bakhita

. Saint Paul Miki and Companions

Martyred in 1597, Brother Paul Miki is the best known of the martyrs of Nagasaki. He was a Jesuit and a native of Japan. While hanging upon a cross, he preached to the people gathered for the execution: "The sentence of judgment says these men (the Jesuit and Franciscan missionaries) came to Japan from the Philippines, but I did not come from any other country. I am a true Japanese. The only reason for my being killed is that I have taught the doctrine of Christ. I certainly did teach the doctrine of Christ. I thank God it is for this reason I die. I believe that I am telling only the truth before I die. I know you believe me and I want to say to you all once again: Ask Christ to help you to become happy. I obey Christ. After Christ's example I forgive my persecutors. I do not hate them. I ask God to have pity on all, and I hope my blood will fall on my fellow men as a fruitful rain." Missionaries returned to Japan in the 1860s, but at first they found no trace of Christianity. Later they found that thousands of Christians lived around Nagasaki and that they had secretly preserved the faith.

(adapted from franciscanmedia.org)

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

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THE GOD WHO SPEAKS

Exploring Old Testament Treasures – 1: *Finding Christ in the Old Testament* with Fr John Hemer MHM at 7.00pm on 5th February at Allen Hall, 28 Beaufort Street SW3 5AA. Registration is required: email livingfaith@rcdow.org.uk or leave a voice message on 020 7931 6078.

For a calendar of other “Year of the Word” talks and events please have a look at: rcdow.org.uk/faith/adult-faith-formation---the-god-who-speaks/

LOURDES MASS

The annual Mass in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes will take place in the Cathedral on Saturday 8th February 2020 at 2.00pm. The Sacrament of the Sick will be administered during the Mass by the bishops and priests.

LATIN MASS TEXTS

Those attending the Sunday 11.00am Mass may find helpful the Latin Mass texts on pages 77 and 78 of the yellow Parish Mass Book.

CRIB OFFERINGS

As customary in this diocese, your donations placed in the collecting box near the crib will be passed on to the Catholic Children’s Society. Each year the CCS supports thousands of disadvantaged children across the Diocese of Westminster. To find out more about the range of services offered, please see www.cathchild.org.uk.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

If there are any adult members of this parish who would like to prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, would they please contact the Parish Priest.

SAINT ANTHONY COMMUNICATIONS

For a wide selection of books, DVDs and CDs on Catholic topics such as Prayer, Theology and the Sacraments, in particular by Frs Nicholas Schofield, Marcus Holden and Andrew Pinsent, see saintant.com.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

This year’s World Day of Prayer service (formerly World Women Day of Prayer) will be celebrated at St Mary the Boltons, SW10 9TB, on Friday 6th March, 11.00am-Noon. Service followed by refreshments.

This year the theme is ‘Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk’.

It has been prepared by the people of Zimbabwe and will be presented by representatives from twelve churches in the Borough. All are welcome.

LONDON CATHOLIC HISTORY WALKS

Come and enjoy discovering London’s History! No need to book - just turn up! Everyone welcome. Suggested donation: £10. Each walk lasts about an hour and a half.

Sunday February 2nd, A Candlemas Walk along the Thames river to the Tower of London. Meet 3.30pm, Church of the Most Precious Blood, O’Meara Street, London SE1 (nearest tube: London Bridge).

Sunday February 9th 2020 WESTMINSTER: Parliament, the Abbey, and more. Meet 3.30pm steps of Westminster Cathedral, SW1 (nearest tube: Victoria).

LANDINGS

Landings brings together small groups of Catholics who have been away from the Church for a while and would like to reconnect with their faith. The lay-led meetings are accepting, confidential and enriching. Nothing is needed but an open heart and a readiness to listen. To find out more about Landings please contact Ruby Almeida at landings.london@gmail.com or check out landings@rcdow.org.uk.

LENTEN FAITH GROUP

This year’s Lenten Small Faith Group programme is entitled ‘A Word for Lent’ and focuses upon Sacred Scripture and Sacred Art to take us through a Lenten Journey, a journey of seeing salvation through the eyes of Gospel men and women. The programme will comprise six sessions each on a Tuesday evening commencing on 10th March and held within the parish. For further enquires please contact Charles McFarland - 020 8767 7132.

HELP NEEDED WITH RESEARCH

A historian of Catholicism, writing a biography of Dr Letitia Fairfield, would like to hear from anyone with information about Dr Fairfield. Dr Fairfield was a prominent physician (and civil servant within the London County Council), a barrister, a Fabian and feminist, and from 1922/3 a Catholic who thereafter appears on all Catholic platforms on a variety of issues across her long public life until the mid-1970s. She was a member of this parish from c.1946 until her death in 1978. If you can help, please contact Dr Alana Harris: alana.harris@kcl.ac.uk.

CATHOLIC LEADERSHIP RETREAT

An opportunity for young Catholics to explore what it means to be a leader. Guest speakers cover topics such as resilience, effective time management, identity and peer to peer impact. Saturday 7th March, 10.00am to 4.00pm at SPEC Retreat Centre, Waxwell Lane HA5 3EP. Limited spaces, to book by email

spec@rcdow.org.uk or call 020 3757 2500. Suggested donation £25, includes lunch.

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: holyredeemchelsea.com.

YOUNG CITY CATHOLICS

Young City Catholics@ St. Mary Moorfields (YCC), a group of Catholic young professionals in their twenties and thirties working in the City of London and Canary Wharf. For more details: ycc-london.co.uk or email to info@ycc-london.co.uk.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE WEEKEND

A healing weekend for men and women who are separated, divorced or widowed will be held from 3rd to 5th April 2020 at the Domus Mariae Centre, Chigwell, Essex. For details please contact Freda 01322 838 415 or Maura 01322 551 503 or email johnbrotherton@hotmail.co.uk.

THANKSGIVING FOR MATRIMONY

Once again, this year our Archbishop, Cardinal Vincent Nichols, would like to invite members of this diocese who in 2020 are celebrating a 5th, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60th wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage to a Thanksgiving Mass on Saturday 30th May at 3.00pm in Westminster Cathedral. To ensure you receive an invitation, please send our Parish Administrator your names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number if no email). Please do this before Monday 23rd March. This is a wonderful occasion to celebrate the gift of love lived by married couples.