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



The Inspiration of St Matthew (Caravaggio)

Newsletter 20th September 2020

**Sunday 20th September - TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

Monday 21st ST MATTHEW - Apostle and Evangelist. Jesus called Matthew from collecting taxes to be a disciple (Mt 9.9-12).

Wednesday 23rd St Pius of Petrelcina - "Padre Pio" whose life of prayer as a Franciscan friar still inspires many.

Thursday 24th Our Lady of Walsingham - We celebrate the apparition of Our Lady, commemorated at our National Shrine at Walsingham in Norfolk.

Saturday 26th St Cosmas and St Damian - Martyrs

PARISH INFORMATION

Mass Times

Saturday (Vigil Mass) 6.30pm

Sunday 9.00am, 10.00am, 11.00am (with Choir), 12.15pm, 6.30pm

Monday – Friday 8.00am

Saturday 10.00am

Confession - To make an appointment, please contact the Parish Priest

Morning Prayer - Monday - Friday 7.45am,

Saturday and Sunday 9.30am

Evening Prayer - Saturday and Sunday 6.00pm

Confirmation - For information about Confirmation please contact the Parish Office

Newly arrived in the parish: Please complete the Parish Registration Form, available at holyredeemerchelsea.com.

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.

The Rectory - 7 Cheyne Row, London SW3 5HS

Parish Priest - Canon Paschal Ryan

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Parish Administrator - Rosslyn Okumu

Monday - Friday 9.30am - 1.30pm

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MAGNIFICAT

The October issue of “Magnificat”, a slim paperback with prayers and readings for every day, is available from the Parish Office. The price is £4.99 and we are happy to post it to anyone who cannot come to collect it.

SLEEP OUT (OR IN) 2/3 OCTOBER

GLASSDOOR, a local charity helping homeless people, organises this annual fundraiser event. For more information email: sleepout@glassdoor.org.uk.

COMING TO MASS

Parishioners are kindly requested to notify in advance the Parish Administrator (020 7352 0777 x2 or chelsea2@rcdow.org.uk) which Mass they wish to attend. While this may seem odd, perhaps slightly intrusive, it is asked of us as part of this country’s effort to combat a renewed spread of COVID-19. If you have not been doing this, please start. We need to maintain the flow of people entering church, avoiding queues, or social distancing becomes a problem. However, if you cannot contact the Parish Office you are still most welcome to come to Mass, though on arrival you will be asked to give your name and contact number or email address.

READINGS AT MASS

Some people miss being able to read the Scripture texts during Mass, whether during the Liturgy of the Word or as a reflection after Holy Communion. Those of you with access to the internet may wish to find them at universalis.com. In the present circumstances, it is most acceptable to use phones or tablets in church, but only to access the readings, prayers, meditations etc.

KEEPING THE CHURCH SAFE

In the weeks since churches re-opened, we have been blessed in having a group of volunteers who act as stewards during Mass and then sanitise the pews and kneelers after every service. We need more people to help with this vital work. If you are a parishioner, aged 18 to 70 and not clinically vulnerable, please consider whether you could give a hand. To volunteer or get more information, please contact Charles McFarland 020 8767 7132 or cpmm@hotmail.co.uk.

CATHOLIC HISTORY WALKS AGAIN!

All welcome...no need to book, just turn up! We suggest a donation of £10 for each. Wear suitable shoes and clothes – we walk whatever the weather! We maintain social distance. For details see catholichistorywalks.com.

CONFIRMATION

Are there any younger members of the parish who would like to join the group preparing for Confirmation in 2021? We have been invited by our neighbours at St Mary’s, Cadogan Street, to join them. The meetings in preparation for Confirmation will begin in the New Year. To take part, candidates from Holy Redeemer parish must be Mass attending baptized Catholics who are in Year 9 or above at school and have made their First Holy Communion. For more details please contact Rosslyn Okumu at the Parish Office.

CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS) provides catechists, and parish volunteers with knowledge and understanding of theology and the Catholic faith. You can learn the course in person, by distance learning or online - details below:

Centres (in person learning)

brs-ccrs.org.uk/index.php/course-centres

Life-Light Home Study Courses (distance learning)

info@studylifelight.com
01844 351 514

CCRS Online (online learning)

ccrsonline@hope.ac.uk
0151 291 3055

HELP YOUR MARRIAGE

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry at each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. There is no group therapy or group work. This programme has helped 10s of 1000s of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about Retrouvaille’, or to register for the next programme, a virtual weekend commencing on 12th - 15th Nov 2020, call or text 0788 7296983 or 0797 3380443. Visit retrouvaille.org.uk or email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com.

PRAYERS

Please remember all the children who are making their First Holy Communion. Many have had their great day postponed or disrupted. Similarly there are young people receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation, after an additional wait of some months. Many weddings have had to be re-arranged. Also, this weekend the Cardinal is ordaining three priests and three deacons in Westminster Cathedral, another delayed celebration. Let us pray for all these people and rejoice with them.