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



SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Saturday evening 6.30pm
10.00am (Family Mass with hymns)
11.00am (Sung Latin with choir)
12.15pm and 6.30pm

Newsletter 20th January 2019

*20th January: 2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
(Parish Mass Book page 127)*

Monday 21st St Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

Tuesday 22nd St Vincent, Deacon and Martyr

Thursday 24th St Francis De Sales, Bishop of Geneva. A gentle champion of the Counter-Reformation, this Capuchin friar was author of *Introduction to the Devout Life* and *Treatise on the Love of God*.

Friday 25th THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL

Saturday 26th St Timothy and St Titus, Bishops

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday - Friday 8.00am

Saturday morning 10.00am

Confession Saturday 10.30am - 11.00am & 5.30pm - 6.00pm

Morning Prayer Monday - Friday 7.30am, Saturday & Sunday 9.30am

Evening Prayer Saturday & Sunday 6.00pm

Faith Sharing / Prayer Group resumes again in Lent.

Teenager Confirmation Group meet Saturday mornings at St Mary's, Cadogan Street, SW3.

Newcomers Please introduce yourselves and complete and return to the Rectory a parish registration form, which is 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

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WHY IS THE CRIB STILL THERE?

While some people seem to think Christmas is over almost as soon as it is started, the Church in its prayer and public worship continues to celebrate the coming of the Son of God among us. The Gospels at Mass continue with the epiphanies (manifestations) of Christ, both at his Baptism in the Jordan and his first miracle at Cana.

CRIB OFFERINGS

As is 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.

THANK YOU

On behalf of SPUC (the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children, thank you for your generous donations to the second collection last weekend. It is indeed a tragedy that, in a society that claims to value human rights, unborn children should need protection. How awfully sad that some babies are at the greatest risk of losing their life when it is just beginning, when they are in their mother's womb! To find out more about the work of SPUC visit www.spuc.org.uk. Particularly interesting are their videos showing how young people are involved in promoting the pro-life message.

MARY CASSANDRO RIP

Please pray for Mary Cassandro who died recently. Please include in your prayers her family and friends who mourn her. The funeral service for Mary Cassandro will take place on Tuesday 22nd January at 10.45am.

CATHOLIC SINGLES

Bringing together single Catholics, Catholic Singles has for several years enabled thousands of people to find new friendships, in some cases leading to marriage. For more information visit www.catholicssingles.org.uk.

I AM A CATHOLIC

Available from the table at the back of the church, credit card sized cards for your wallet or purse. These indicate that, if admitted to hospital, you wish to be visited by a Catholic chaplain. Please remember that hospitals may no longer inform the chaplain of your being a Catholic unless you ask them to do so.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

From time to time, as people move out of the parish, we need to recruit new lay volunteers to assist with the distribution of Holy Communion. The description "extraordinary" in the title indicates that this role is one of an assistant to the priest who is celebrating the Mass. The essential qualifications are to be a baptized communicant Catholic who is a member of this parish and regularly attending Mass here. Given the very special and public nature of the role, it is not something that suits everyone. Therefore it would be a good idea if those who were thinking of offering themselves for this service at Holy Redeemer would first have a word with the Parish Priest. There is clearly a need for such help at the 12.15pm Mass on Sunday.

INTERESTED IN OUR FAITH?

The Diocese of Westminster Agency for Evangelisation, in partnership with the Maryvale Institute in Birmingham, has developed a programme which seeks to reach various needs of Catholics who wish to develop in their understanding of their faith. Three courses will be available in 2019:

Certificate in Parish Mission and Ministry: one year part-time distance learning course.

Certificate in Catechesis: two year part-time distance learning course.

A Catechesis on Marriage and Family: six month part-time, for those interested in Marriage Preparation.

For more details, please see Canon Paschal Ryan.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Usually in the Monckton Room during the first part of the 10am Family Mass. Parents are welcome to leave their children or stay with them. The children come back up at the offertory, bringing their work.

COFFEE ROTA

Refreshments are available in the Monckton Room after the Sunday 10.00am and 11.00am Masses. Volunteers are needed to give a hand preparing and serving coffee etc.

BOOKS FOR CHILDREN

Parents, please note that near the back of the church there is a bookcase with religious books for children. Please help yourselves, but put the books back on the shelves at the end of Mass.

CATHOLIC HISTORY WALKS

The Tower and the City

3.00pm 20th January. Walk through the ancient City of London to the Tower of London. Explore the turbulent history of this area. Relive the history that was the life of heroes such as St Thomas More and St John Fisher. Meet at the Monument tube station.

A Royal Walk

3.00pm, 27th January. Explore the world

of Catholic London, our politics and the kings and queens that shaped them.

Walk through historic Westminster to Buckingham Palace. Meet on the steps of Westminster Cathedral, nearest tube station: Victoria

Cost £5, concessions available. Please wear suitable footwear and plan for the weather. See

www.catholichistorywalks.com.

ON ART AND FAITH

Catholic Creators UK presents Gabriele Finaldi, Director of the National Gallery, talking about Art and Faith at 7.00pm on 21st February at Farm Street Church, 11 Mount Street, Mayfair, London W1K 3AH. For details contact: info@catholiccreators.org. Entry: £5.

VISITING?

A warm welcome to all our visitors. We hope you enjoy your stay in London.

TEA PARTY

Organised by the Companions of the Order of Malta, there will be a Tea Party on Wednesday 23rd January in St Joseph's Hall at the Brompton Oratory. If any of our senior parishioners would like to go, please contact Helena Letman at helenaletman@gmail.com or 07798 558 109 for transport or if you have any other questions. The Tea Party will start about 2.00pm and finish by 4.00pm.

SVP VINNIE PACKS CONCERT

Monday 4th February, 7.00pm, at Farm Street Catholic Church, Mayfair, London W1K 3AH. Featuring Alexander Armstrong, Miranda Heldt, Alex McQueen, The Choir With No Name. Tickets £30, must be booked at eventbrite.co.uk (search for Vinnie Packs). In aid of the wonderful SVP Vinnie Packs for the homeless. These packs are lifesavers on our streets.