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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

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**Sunday 27th January: 3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
(Parish Mass Book page 130)**

Monday 28th St Thomas Aquinas, Theologian, Mystic and Poet. Gifted by God with extraordinary talents, to this day he is one of the greatest influences on Catholic theology.

Thursday 31st St John Bosco, founder of the Salesians. This priest saw the needs of young people living in poverty and sought to give them an education for life. He was ahead of his time in combining a caring attitude with both vision and a practical response to need.

Saturday 2nd THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD (CANDLEMAS)
Blessing of candles at the start of 10.00am Mass.

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 meets Saturday morning

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.

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CANDLEMAS

Saturday 2nd February, the Feast of The Presentation of the Lord, also known as Candlemas, traditionally marks the end of our Christmas celebrations. The gospel telling of the moment the baby Jesus is presented in the Temple also asks us to begin to look towards the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus we will celebrate at Easter. Candles are blessed at the start of the 10.00am Mass.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

This year the theme of the World Day of Prayer is "Come - Everything is Ready". The service is prepared by Christian women of Slovenia, and draws on the parable of the banquet in the Gospel of Luke (14.15 – 24). Our local celebration will be in the Church of St Augustine, 117 Queens Gate, Kensington SW7 5LP on Friday 1st March at 11.00am.

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.

NIGHTFEVER

A time when the Church reaches out to those passing by and invites them to experience the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Saturday 9th February, 6.00pm to 11.00pm in St Patrick's, Soho Square, W1D 4NR (near Tottenham Court Road Tube station, just off Oxford Street). See: www.london.nightfever.org.

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.

EDUCATION FOR LOVE AND SEXUALITY: WHERE DO WE START?

A talk for parents and educators, aimed at helping with answering questions about when and how to talk to children and teenagers about these intimate matters. The speaker, Louise Kirk, author of "Sexuality Explained, a guide for parents and children" has wide experience educating young people. There will be an opportunity for you to ask questions. At 7.30pm on Tuesday 5th February at Our Lady of Victories, 235a Kensington High Street, W8 6SA. No registration required, free entry, but donations welcome on the day. The evening is organized by Teenstar UK, www.teenstar.org.uk.

SOUL FOOD - A LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

A back to basics exploration of the Good News that can lead to a real and deep knowledge and experience of God's love for us, a renewal and transformation through the power of the Holy Spirit. A Catholic charismatic prayer group for young adults every Thursday 7.00pm to 9.00pm at St Charles Borromeo Church, 8 Ogle Street, W1W 6HS.

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

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.

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.