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



Icon of St Rita of Cascia

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday evening 6.30pm Vigil Mass
10.00am Family Mass
11.00am Sung Latin Mass
12.15pm Mass
6.30pm Mass

Newsletter 19th May 2019

Sunday 19th May: FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
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Monday 20th May: St Bernardine of Siena, a 15th century Italian theologian and preacher, known as “The Apostle of Italy”.

Tuesday 21st May: St Christopher Magallenes & Companions, Martyrs during the early 20th century persecution of the church in Mexico. Captured, he gave away his few remaining possessions to his executioners, then gave them absolution and, without a trial, was killed. His last words were "I die innocent, and ask God that my blood may serve to unite my Mexican brethren."

Wednesday 22nd May: St Rita of Cascia married at the age of 12. However, when her husband was killed by enemies, she persuaded her sons not to take revenge. She is the patroness of abused wives and heartbroken women.

Saturday 25th May: St Bede the Venerable This 8th century English Benedictine monk and scholar is known as “the Father of English History”.

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 9.30am, Sunday 9.30am

Evening Prayer: Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 6.00pm

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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PRIEST TRAINING FUND

Last weekend, "Good Shepherd Sunday", was the traditional day for focussing our prayer and attention on the need for Catholics to support those who offer themselves to become priests and religious brothers and sisters. Our special collection at all the Masses raised £928.57. The special envelopes for those who wish to enable Gift Aid to be collected on their donations are still available near the Newsletters. If we want the Church to have a future, then it is important that we cover the costs of training those who will be our priests. The fund also pays for the post-ordination training of priests. Please be as generous as you can be, both with your donation and your prayers. The priests of today were paid for by previous generations of Catholics, so it is our responsibility to provide for those who will be the priests of tomorrow.

MUSIC AT 11.00am MASS

Sunday 19th May is the day when the music at Mass will form part of the London Festival of Contemporary Church Music, so the composers (and sounds!) will be distinctly more modern, but not, we hope, unpleasant! Of special note is the Missa Brevis by I G Coleman.

POST-SYNOD REFLECTION FOR YOUNG ADULTS

The next meetings for young adults between the ages 18 to 30 will be hosted by Bishop John Wilson on Tuesday 21st May, and by Bishop Paul McAleenan on Tuesday 25th June, from 6.30pm to 8.30pm at Archbishop's House, Ambrosden Avenue, Westminster SW1P 1QJ. To register, please email youth@rcdow.org.uk.

THE GENDER AGENDA

What does it mean to be male or female? This is a conference of interest to everyone, but especially teachers, clergy, catechists, youth workers and all those involved in parish activities. Wednesday 12th June, 11.00am to 4.30pm at St Mary Moorfields, Eldon Street, London EC2M 7LS. Ticket £15, book by email, pay at the door. Email: acwconference@gmail.com. Website: associationofcatholicwomen.org.

SVP BIKE RIDE

The 21st Annual SVP Bike Ride will take place on Sunday 30th June from the Church of St James in George Street W1U 3QY (aka Spanish Place) to Waltham Abbey. Starting at 9.30am, return by road or by rail to Liverpool Street. This gives the choice of either a 30mile or 50mile ride. The ride will be friendly, non-competitive, flat and mostly off-road. All cyclists required to wear a helmet and to undertake to raise at least £50 for the SVP. To register, contact Simon Webb 07866 545123 or nixwebb@hotmail.com. For further details please see the notice in the church porch.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

In the Monckton Room during the first part of the 10.00am Family Mass. Parents are welcome to leave their children or stay with them until they are settled in. The children join the congregation at the Offertory bringing their work with them.

CARITAS VOLUNTEER SERVICE

"Giving your time is your greatest gift"

New vacancies listed weekly, one-off and short term. Tailored recommendations. Contact Volunteer Coordinator on 07738 18 3 833 or caritasvol@rcdow.org.uk. Register for the Volunteer Service at: caritaswestminster.org.uk/volunteer.

CARITAS VOLUNTEER FAIR

The Caritas Volunteer Service will be holding its annual Volunteers' Fair showcasing volunteering opportunities across the diocese. Those attending will have the chance to find out about different charities, their work and the roles available, and hear talks and testimonials from different organisations. The event takes place Saturday 8th June, 1pm-3pm at St Aloysius Parish Hall, Phoenix Road, Euston, NW1 1TA. For a free ticket, email caritaswestminster@rcdow.org.uk, call 020 7931 6077, or search the event title on Eventbrite.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

The 9th Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, 20th to 28th November, led by Bishop Paul McAleenan. Visit Galilee, Jerusalem and Bethlehem in the footsteps of Jesus. Full board, travel with BA from Heathrow. For details see poster in the porch or contact Gill Didino at tangney-tours.com.

RETOUVAILLE PROGRAMME:

Rediscover Your Marriage

Retrouvaille simply means 'rediscovery'. The programme offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. 10s of 1000s have attended and use the tools provided. For confidential information or to register for the next programme commencing with a residential weekend on 7th – 9th June 2019 call or text 07887 296 983 or 07973 380 443, email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com or visit retrouvaille.org.uk.

WESTMINSTER TO LOURDES

20th to 26th July, the Westminster Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes led by Cardinal Vincent Nichols. There are opportunities to volunteer to assist sick pilgrims. For details see: tangney-tours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/Westminster-lourdes-2019.

COULD YOU BE A LOURDES

HELPER? The Westminster Diocese Lourdes pilgrimage team is looking to recruit volunteers to lend medical and practical support for the pilgrimage from 20th to 26th July 2019. If interested, please contact the Diocesan Pilgrimage Office at Vaughan House on 0207 798 9173 or westminsterfrai@gmail.com or lourdes@rcdow.org.uk. Volunteering booking forms available online at <https://form.jotformeu.com/82291257422354>.

POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES IN THEOLOGY AND ETHICS

At St Mary's University, Twickenham, London TW1 4SX. MA, PG Dip, PG Cert in Bioethics and Medical Law, Catholic Social Teaching, Theology. Now taking applications for Autumn 2019 entry. Flexible teaching and learning at the UK's biggest Catholic University. For details see stmarys.ac.uk or phone 020 8240 4202

SOCIAL ENTERPRISE START-UP?

Do you have a social enterprise idea but are not sure what to do about it? Do you want to work alongside others with business ideas to make a positive social impact? SEIDS may be the place for you. Visit seids.org.uk or phone 020 3026 2502. SEIDS is supported by Caritas Westminster.