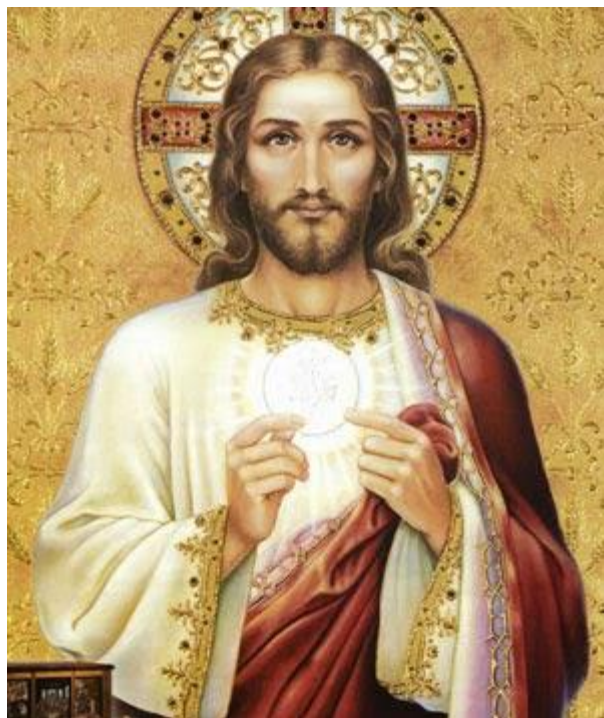


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The Church of Our Most Holy Redeemer and St. Thomas More Cheyne Row, Chelsea



CORPUS CHRISTI

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

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Sunday 23rd June: CORPUS CHRISTI
(Parish Mass Book page 83)

Monday 24th June: The Nativity of St John the Baptist. Perhaps sometimes overlooked, St John the Baptist's true importance is indicated by the fact that he has two feasts in the Universal Calendar of the Church.

Thursday 27th June: St John Southworth was a priest working in London in the first half of the 17th century, defying the laws which made it an offence punishable by death. In 1554 he was arrested, tried and executed. The site where he and other Catholic martyrs were executed, Tyburn (near Marble Arch), has become a place of pilgrimage. One can visit the Chapel of the convent where the martyrs are commemorated, at 8 Hyde Park Place W2 2LJ. His remains can be venerated in Westminster Cathedral.

Friday 28th June: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus is for Catholics an expression of the passionate love that God has for humanity. The present form of this devotion owes much to the accounts of the apparitions of Our Lord to St Margaret Mary Alacoque in the late 17th century.

Saturday 29th June: The Immaculate Heart of Mary

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

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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CORPUS CHRISTI

THE HISTORY OF THE FEAST

In 1246 the Bishop of Liège instituted the Feast of Corpus Christi, more properly called the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This was in answer to the request of St. Juliana, prioress of Mont Cornillon near Liège (1222–58), who had experienced a vision. It remained a purely local celebration until 1261, when Jacques Pantaléon, formerly Archdeacon of Liège, was elected pope. In 1264 he, Pope Urban IV, ordered the whole Church to keep the feast, and by the 15th century it was one of the major feasts of the Church's Calendar. Hymns in honour of the Blessed Sacrament were written, in particular by St Thomas Aquinas, to be sung on this feast, as they are to this day.

IS JESUS REALLY PRESENT IN THE HOST?

Is the body of Christ present in this sacrament in actual fact, or merely figuratively and symbolically? St Hilary says, "There is no doubt about the truth of Christ's body and blood. We believe what the Lord himself declared, that his flesh is truly food, and his blood is truly drink." And St Ambrose says, "As the Lord Jesus Christ is God's true Son, so is it Christ's true flesh which we take, and his true blood which we drink." The presence of Christ's true body and blood in this sacrament cannot be detected by the senses or by reason, but by faith alone, which rests upon Divine authority. Hence, on Luke 22:19 ("This is my body that shall be delivered up for you"), St Cyril says, "Do not doubt whether this is true, but take rather the Saviour's words on trust, because being the Truth, he does not lie." St Thomas Aquinas "The Sum of Theology" Part 3.57.

ST PHILIP'S SCHOOL, KENSINGTON

- St Philip's is a Roman Catholic prep school for 100 boys (Years 3 – 8) located at Gloucester Road in Kensington.
- The School is seeking suitable applicants for Years 3 – 5 places for September 2018 in order to meet its charitable objectives and obligations.
- Bursaries - up to 100% of fees - are available.
- Ofsted Inspection (March 2018): "Pupils of all abilities make excellent progress across all subject areas".
- Boys leave after Year 8 for leading schools.
- Entry is by academic assessment into a class of up to 20 pupils.

Contact: www.stpschool.co.uk
Registrar: j.ironside@stpschool.co.uk
020 7373 3944

CONGRATULATIONS ARCHBISHOP WILSON!

Bishop John Wilson, the auxiliary bishop responsible for this part of the Diocese of Westminster, the Western Area, has been nominated by Pope Francis to succeed Archbishop Peter Smith as Archbishop of Southwark. Please remember the new Archbishop in your prayers, both giving thanks for his ministry in this Diocese, and seeking an outpouring of the Holy Spirit to guide and sustain him in his new apostolate on the other side of the River Thames.

2019 MISSION APPEAL

Last weekend we welcomed Fr Augustine Sawadogo of the Missionaries of Africa (aka "The White Fathers") who spoke to us of the work of this international team of priests, brothers and lay associates, actively collaborating with the local churches in Africa. As well as working in parishes and building up small communities they are involved with media involvement in justice and peace, agriculture, and seminary training. Your generous donations will help their mission. We are very grateful to Fr Augustine for his visit and especially for the witness he gave.

CARITAS VOLUNTEER SERVICE

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

PETER'S PENCE

"Peter's Pence" is the name given to the special collection traditionally taken on the Solemnity of St Peter and St Paul, which occurs next weekend. This collection used to support the pastoral work of Pope Francis. This country has a great tradition of loyalty to the Holy Father, as shown by the life and death of our patron St Thomas More.

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 westminsterfri@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 our biggest Catholic University: stmarys.ac.uk or phone 020 8240 4202

MASS INTENTIONS

Parishioners requesting a Mass to be celebrated for a particular intention are advised that a few weeks advance notice is suggested to ensure that a Mass be celebrated on their preferred date. It is customary that a donation to the parish should accompany such requests, which can be made either to the Parish Office or the Parish Priest.