



## St Mary's Catholic Church Cadogan Street, Chelsea, SW3 2QR

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### *Corpus Christi~23<sup>rd</sup> June 2019*

#### **We Welcome...**

*People of All Faiths and Cultures  
Divorced or Separated Persons  
Families with Children  
Those in Loving Relationships  
Those in Difficulty  
Married Couples  
Single Persons  
Those in Recovery  
Travellers from Far and Near  
Widows and Widowers  
Visitors*

#### **We Seek...**

*To live the Gospel of Jesus Christ  
To Gather the Community and Tell the Story  
To Sing and Make Music to the Lord  
To Break the Bread and Share the Cup*

#### **We Celebrate...**

*Diversity  
A spirit of hospitality  
The unity that God wills  
Enlightening those who seek God  
Reaching out to alienated Catholics  
Reverencing the dignity of each person  
Caring for the needs of the less fortunate  
Empowering Christians to realise their call  
Providing a spiritual oasis  
Honouring an understanding among all faiths  
Nurturing our gifts and sharing them*

#### **PARISH DIARY – REGULAR EVENTS**

*Lectio Divina – Tuesdays during term time  
(Email [kjaubert@btinternet.com](mailto:kjaubert@btinternet.com) for details)  
Mother's Prayers – Wednesdays in the STM Room 10am  
SVP Meetings – 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month 7pm  
SVP Outreach – 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month 8pm  
Good Friends Café - 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month 10.30am  
The Parish Office is open Mon, Weds & Fri. 9.30am - 1.30*



This weekend we celebrate the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, Corpus Christi. Over the centuries different Christian traditions have understood the Eucharist in different ways. As Catholics we believe that through the Eucharist Jesus is made really and substantially present for us.

In making this claim the Church means that, by the almighty power of God, a stupendous miracle has taken place, namely, the substance and reality of bread and wine have been changed into the substance and reality of the Body and Blood of the resurrected Jesus Christ who is now seated at the right hand of the Father in heaven. It is the reality of Jesus who calls us to "take and eat". We remember and participate in the sacrifice of Jesus self-giving act of love made explicit for us in the events of Calvary.

Widespread doubts about, and denials of, the Real Presence appeared in the sixteenth century. The Protestant Reformers were unanimous in rejecting transubstantiation and the sacrificial character of the Eucharist, but they did not agree on the question of the Real Presence. Thus, Luther admitted it but then added that it occurred only during the celebration of Holy Communion. Zwingli, along with many others, simply denied the Real Presence and claimed that the bread and wine are mere symbols of the Body and Blood of Christ. Calvin (later joined by Melancthon) rejected the substantial or real presence of the Body and Blood of Christ and taught a presence of "power", that is, through the Eucharist a power proceeds from the glorified Body of Christ in heaven and is conferred on the faithful.

However the Catholic Church has always maintained its belief in the Real Presence of Christ and in the effective power of the sacramental grace that flows from the memorial that we make at Mass.

This is a beautiful heritage and a living reality. It is our belief in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist that binds us together in communion and that is why many people say "it's the Mass that matters." In the Mass we receive Jesus and we open ourselves up to receiving one another. All is pure gift.

*Fr Shaun*

## Corpus Christi

Pg 83, Gen.14:18-20; Cor.11:23-26; Luke9:11-17.

Sat 22 June **18.30** Sylvia Frangieh RIP  
Ss John Fisher Bishop & Thomas More Martyrs  
Sun 23 June **10.00** Private Intention  
**11.30** Cynthia Taylor RIP  
**18.30** Morgan's Family & Relatives  
Mon 24 June **10.30** Liliana Magwi RIP  
*Nativity of St. John the Baptist - At the Royal Hospital*  
Tues 25 June **12.00** Mr & Mrs Francisco RIP  
Wed 26 June Church open for private prayer  
Thur 27 June\* **9.00** St Thomas More School Mass  
St John Southworth  
Fri 28 June\* **9.30** Monvoisin Family  
The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Page 87.

*Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat 17.45 to 18.15  
(Reconciliation at other times by arrangement)*

## Ss Peter and Paul, Apostles

Pg 180: Acts 12: 1-11; 2 Timothy4: 6-8, 17-18; Matt. 16: 13-19

Sat 29 June **18.30** Anne Lloyd RIP  
Sun 30 June **10.00** Birthday of Susannah Wheeler  
& A Private Int  
**11.30** Diogo Ribeiro RIP  
**18.30** Persecuted Christians

**NB\*** On Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June a St Thomas More school mass will take place at 9am and there will be no 12 noon Mass. On Friday 28 Mass is at 9.30 and there will be no exposition that day.

*We pray for the sick of our Parish, those who have died recently and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.*

**Planned Giving.** If you were away last Sunday and missed the commitment section of the campaign then please help yourself to a "Week 3" leaflet-there are plenty of them at the back of the church-complete it and return it to the Parish Office. Thank you; your support is vital for the sustainability of our parish.

**New Website** Conscious that time moves on and that parish life develops so quickly we have designed a new website. Your comments and suggestions would be welcome, please see. [www.stmaryscadoganstreet.co.uk](http://www.stmaryscadoganstreet.co.uk)

**Sing a New Song to the Lord.** We are really blessed in having a number of people who lead the singing at our 10am and 6.30pm Masses on Sunday. However, numbers of singers are a bit depleted and an invitation has been extended for you to think about joining one of the choirs, please just approach any of the choir members to find out more. Aware of how busy people are these choirs meet just before Mass in order to run through the liturgy.

**Fr. Laurence** Was ordained to the priesthood in St David's Cathedral Cardiff.. In due course we will have a collection for him so that we can make a presentation to him when he returns to the parish to say Mass for us in the Autumn. In the meantime please keep him in your prayers as he begins his ministry as a priest.

**First Holy Communion 2020** If your child will be in year 3 of school in September and you wish them to make their First Holy Communion at St Mary's next year please collect an application form from Fr Shaun in the Sacristy after Mass on Sunday. The application forms need to be completed and returned to the parish office by Friday 26 July 2019.

**Peter and Paul** Next weekend we celebrate the Feast of Ss Peter and Paul. After all masses there will be the usual second collection for "Peter's Pence." Thank you for your generosity and support for the work of the Holy Father and the Holy See.

### Volunteering opportunity in Lourdes

Could you be a Lourdes helper? The Lourdes pilgrimage team are looking to recruit volunteers to lend medical and practical support for the pilgrimage from 20<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> July 2019. If interested, please contact the Diocesan Pilgrimage Office at Vaughan House on 0207 798 9173 or email [westminsterfri@gmail.co](mailto:westminsterfri@gmail.co), or [lourdes@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:lourdes@rcdow.org.uk). Volunteering booking forms are available online at <https://form.iotformeui.com/82291257422354>.

**St Joseph's School** Places are available at St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Cadogan Street. Rated 'Outstanding' by both Ofsted and the Diocese of Westminster, we strive to ensure that all children who join us are secure, happy and enjoy learning and achieving during their time here. To arrange a tour, please call 020 7589 2438.

**Mothers' Prayer Group.** Open to mothers, god-mothers etc meet in the Rectory St. Thomas More Room on Wednesdays at 10am. Please come and join us and stay for a coffee. We look forward to welcoming you. For more details about the Mothers' Prayers community please visit <http://www.mothersprayers.org/index.pp/en>

**The Children's Liturgy** has resumed and will meet on: 23/06/2019; 30/06/2019; 07/07/2019.

**St. Joseph's Primary School Summer Fair 2019**  
St. Joseph's Primary School will hold this year's Summer Fair on 30th June, 11am – 3pm. We will have BBQ, games, raffle, entertainment, and even more bunting! Please do come along and support our school who do such wonderful work educating our children.

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