

# The Announcer

## St Augustine's Catholic Church

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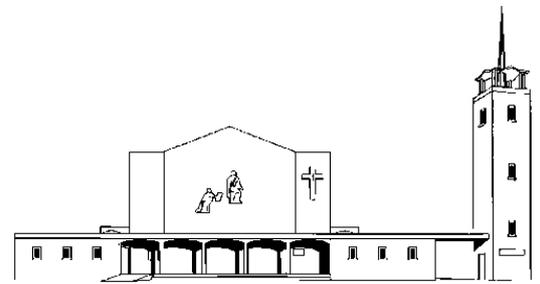
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**CORPUS ET SANGUIS CHRISTI**

3<sup>rd</sup> JUNE 2018

GOSPEL: Mark 14: 12-16, 22-26

*This is my body. This is my blood.*

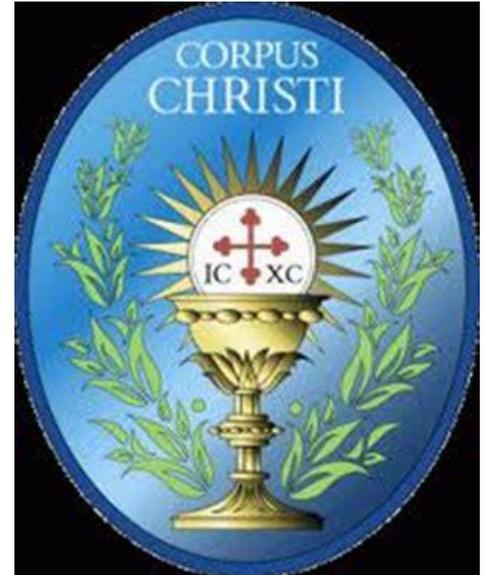
**My Dear Parishioners of St Augustine's,**

ANOTHER OF THE BEAUTIFUL FEASTS AFTER EASTER is celebrated today – **the Body and Blood of the Lord**. This most blessed Sacrament, Our Divine Lord's abiding presence in the Holy Eucharist, is His precious gift, given on the vigil of His Passion and Death. It contains within it the salvation of the world, for it is truly the saving Sacrifice "for the life of the world."

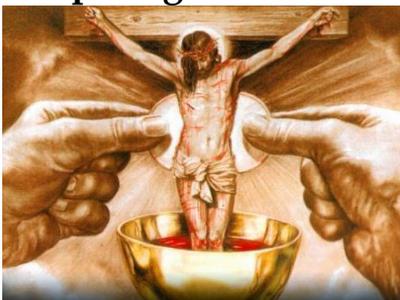
THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS in Liverpool in September will have an attendance from this parish of about 8 including myself, and nearer the time we will have a commissioning of our representatives. This will be an event of national importance to us as Catholics – a way of expressing our deepest devotion to Jesus our Lord in of His Body & Blood. Last time England & Wales held a Eucharistic Congress (1908), the state forbade us from organising a *Corpus Christi* Procession – this time, a century on, thank God, there will be a wonderful Procession in honour of the Blessed Sacrament!

We, too, will have our special time of **40 Hours' Adoration** (Friday to Sunday) and **Corpus Christi Procession** at the end of the month, beginning on the feast of SS Peter & Paul (29<sup>th</sup>). Please see the rota for spending time in Adoration (half-hour slots) which is now already available on the blue board in the church porch. Everyone should organise a little bit of time to contribute to this powerful 40 Hours of parish prayer before Jesus.

**May the Lord, truly present in the Eucharist, fill you with blessings at Mass today! Fr Philip**



**Preparing for the Eucharistic Congress 2018: John Paul II's *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, 30:**



The Catholic Church's teaching on the relationship between priestly ministry and the Eucharist and her teaching on the Eucharistic Sacrifice have both been the subject in recent decades of a fruitful dialogue *in the area of ecumenism*. We must give thanks to the Blessed Trinity for the significant progress and convergence achieved in this regard, which lead us to hope one day for a full sharing of faith. Nonetheless, the observations of the Council concerning the Ecclesial Communities which arose in the West from the sixteenth century onwards and are separated from the Catholic Church remain fully pertinent: "The Ecclesial

Communities separated from us lack that fullness of unity with us which should flow from Baptism, and we believe that especially because of the lack of the sacrament of Orders they have not preserved the genuine and total reality of the Eucharistic mystery. Nevertheless, when they commemorate the Lord's death and resurrection in the Holy Supper, they profess that it signifies life in communion with Christ and they await his coming in glory."

## PRAYER & LITURGY

**MISSION APPEAL next weekend** by Sr Ruth Percival of the Medical Missionaries of Mary, and made on behalf of the 14 congregations of Missionary Sisters working out of the UK.

**ST ANTHONY'S PROCESSION** will be on **Sat 9<sup>th</sup> June**. Procession will begin at 2.45pm from the church. Mass will be at 4pm which will be followed by refreshments. All are welcome!

**FR PHILIP'S TALKS** on the Jewish background to the Holy Eucharist: monthly on **Tuesdays 8pm: 12<sup>th</sup> June 'The Manna in the Desert'**; and 10<sup>th</sup> July 'The Bread of the Presence'. All are welcome in church for these.

**FRIDAY PRAYER GROUP:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month, 7.30-8.30pm: **next meeting Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June**. A semi-formal hour in the Lady Chapel to reflect together on Sunday Scriptures and bring our needs and prayers to the Lord.

**SUNDAY HOLY HOUR** will next take place **this Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June at 5pm** with a Scriptural reflection, Adoration, Evening Prayer and Benediction. A truly peaceful hour!

**SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** based at Corpus Christi, Maiden Lane (Covent Garden) is a guild of prayer in particular honour of the Holy Eucharist. Details of membership and monthly Masses can be found at: <https://sodality.co.uk/>. The church is being re-opened this weekend by the Cardinal, and established as the diocesan shrine in honour of the Blessed Sacrament. Do take time to visit it!

### HOUSEBOUND & SICK PARISHIONERS

*Please pray for our sick parishioners & friends: Bill Pollard, John Askew, Rosa Augello & Siobhan Fiorentini, Piotr Michalski & Tallulah Scott.*

**PLEASE TELL US IF ANYONE IS HOUSEBOUND, EVEN TEMPORARILY, SO THEY CAN BE VISITED & HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION.**

Housebound parishioners may like to know that Mass is regularly broadcast on the internet from the Catholic Church in Bishops Stortford:  
<http://www.churchservices.tv/bishopsstortford>

**IF YOU GO IN TO HOSPITAL:** Catholics in hospital are unlikely to receive an *automatic* visit from the Catholic Chaplain. If someone is sick in hospital, **please let us know here at the Presbytery, and/or ask the staff on the ward,**

so that your loved one can be visited whilst in hospital, and receive Holy Communion and any other Sacraments from the Chaplain.

**Chaplains are: Lister, Rev Anthony Curran 01438-285138 or 07876-526935; Princess Alexandra, Fr Leszek Gamracy 01279-426017**

## CATECHETICS

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME:** The final meeting for parents is on **Wed 6<sup>th</sup> June 8-9pm** and **all parents need to attend** in the crypt. The final session for children will be on **Mon 11<sup>th</sup> June, 6pm**.

**BAPTISM COURSE:** The next course will be held on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June and Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July from 7.30-9pm**. The course must be completed before a Baptism can be arranged. To enrol on the course, please contact the presbytery.

**CONFIRMATION 2019:** an initial meeting date for the coming year's programme will soon be announced, so please 'watch this space'!

**"RCIA" - 'Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults'** is the programme for preparation for adults wishing to become Catholics, or be prepared for the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion). **The course will begin Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September at 7pm**. If anyone is considering becoming a Catholic (or is an adult Catholic wishing to be confirmed,) please contact Fr Philip as soon as possible. There are **green leaflets** outlining RCIA by the newsletters.



Our fundraising began in 2014, and **we have pledged of c. £185k, to give our parish project, ultimately, a slice of c. £51k**. So far we already have £27k available for our parish project, which is to employ a part-time worker in the area of catechetics and evangelization.

Fr Philip is working with the diocese and seeking advice from other diocesan priests to draw up a job description to find the right person for this role.

[www.rcdow.org.uk/growing-in-faith](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/growing-in-faith)

## SCHOOLS/UNDER-5s

**CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE:** those who have applied to be on the Schools'

Signing Register, please keep signing the weekly sign-in-sheet which will be available in the church porch on the noticeboard (by the fire-exit door) for signing after the Saturday evening vigil Masses and the Masses of Sunday. On this basis Fr Philip will be able to judge whether he can issue the Certificate you ask for. It is now no longer possible to apply to be added to the register for this year.

**ST AUGUSTINE'S UNDER 5's** is holding its Summer Fete on **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June** from 11am-1.30pm. There will be face painting, refreshments, bouncy castle, tombola's, art and craft and lots more! All welcome

**ST AUGUSTINE'S SCHOOL** has Nursery places available for 2018-2019. For info on how to apply see the school website or contact the office on 463549 by **20<sup>th</sup> July**. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

### JUSTICE & PEACE / PRO-LIFE

#### **BROXBOURNE WINTER NIGHT SHELTER.**

There was an inspiring meeting recently regarding the project, with lots of support from across the borough's Christian communities. Thank you to the 24 volunteers from our parish who have already signed up to help. There are letters/slips alongside the Newsletters, for those of you who missed one previously and still wish to express an interest in volunteering for next Jan/Feb. Training will be given by the 'Housing Justice' Christian charity which has huge expertise in the setting-up of Night Shelters, and **this will take place in November.**

### SOCIAL & MISCELLANEOUS

**HOUSE VISITS:** Fr Philip will be visiting parish homes on **Wednesday afternoon** this week in: High Rd Broxbourne, Trafalgar Ave, Graham Ave.

**GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATIONS (GDPR):** As part of the expectations of the GDPR laws, we need to ensure that the data we hold is up to date. If you think your data isn't up to date, e.g. you have moved or changed phone number, please let us know, in writing, so that we can check.

**TUESDAY LUNCH CLUB** will be held this **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June.**

**PARISH BBQ** will now be held on **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July at 1pm.** Forms to request tickets are available at the back of church. We do need

final numbers by Mon 2nd July, so please complete your form soon and hand it into the presbytery. The lists for volunteers will be available soon.

**ISABEL HOSPICE SUNFLOWER APPEAL** will be held at Tesco, Brookfield on the **22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> June.** Collectors are urgently needed. Please contact Ellen on 464677.

**VOLUNTEERS FAIR.** Interested in volunteering? *Caritas Westminster* is hosting a Volunteers Fair exploring the importance of volunteering, featuring stands and volunteer opportunities from a wide variety of organisations. **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June, 6.30-8.30pm,** Vaughan House, Francis Street, SW1P 1QN. Please RSVP to [caritasvol@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:caritasvol@rcdow.org.uk) or call 020-7529-8635.

**NATIONAL WEEKEND FOR MEN** will be held on **13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> July** at High Leigh Conference Centre, Hoddesdon. For further info and to book, please visit [www.harvesters.org.uk](http://www.harvesters.org.uk).

**CHURCH CLEANERS** are **urgently** needed to help on Wed mornings as there are now only 2 cleaners. This will involve one hour per month. If you can help, please contact the presbytery.

**CHURCH CLEANING:** Michele & Pelle De Luca & Kathleen Connors. Thank you for your help.

### PRAYER FOR CORPUS CHRISTI

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.  
Body of Christ, save me.  
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.  
Water from the side of Christ,  
wash me.  
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.  
O good Jesus, hear me.  
Within Your wounds hide me.  
Let me not be separated from You.  
From the malicious enemy defend me.  
At the hour of my death call me  
And bid me come to You  
That with Your saints I may praise you  
For ever and ever. Amen



Masses this week	Today's Liturgy
<b>Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> June</b> 9.30am NO Adoration 10am Mass <b>Gaspere Giamalva RIP</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PAGE 85 in the Mass books</b></p> <p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Reading:</b> Exodus 24: 3–8  <i>This is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you.</i></p> <p><b>Psalm 115 —</b> <i>The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name.</i></p> <p><b>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:</b> Hebrews 9: 11–15  <i>The blood of Christ can purify our inner self from dead actions.</i></p> <p><b>Gospel Accl:</b> <i>Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia.</i></p> <p><b>Gospel:</b> Mark 14: 12–16, 22–26  <i>This is my body. This is my blood.</i></p> <p><b>PREFACE TODAY:</b> Holy Eucharist I or II (p. 53)  <b>EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER:</b> ad lib.</p>
4.00pm* Italian Mass 6.30pm* Mass <b>John Andrews RIP</b> <b>Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> June CORPUS CHRISTI</b> 9.15am** <b>Daniel &amp; Ellen White RIP Anniv</b> 11.15am <b>Calogero Nicastro RIP</b> 5pm Latin Mass <b>For the Parish</b> ‡	
<b>Mon 4<sup>th</sup> June</b> 8.15am Adoration                      9am Morning Prayer 9.15am Mass <b>Piotr Michalska's Intentions</b>	
<b>Tues 5<sup>th</sup> June ST BONIFACE, Bishop &amp; Martyr</b> 8.15am Adoration                      9am Morning Prayer 9.15am Mass <b>Justyna Truskowska's intentions</b>	
<b>Wed 6<sup>th</sup> June</b> 8.15am Adoration                      9am Morning Prayer 9.15am Mass <b>Elaine Miller RIP</b> — followed by coffee in the crypt	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NEXT WEEK'S READINGS</b>  <b>10TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b></p> <p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Reading:</b> Genesis 3: 9–15  <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:</b> 2 Corinthians 4: 13–5:1  <b>Gospel:</b> Mark 3: 20–35</p>
<b>Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> June</b> <b>NO MASS</b>	
<b>Fri 8<sup>th</sup> June THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS</b> (NO Abstinence from meat on this solemn feast-day) 11am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament/11.50 Benediction 12 noon Mass <b>Emilia &amp; Stefan Piacentini RIP</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 10.30 – 11am &amp; 5.30 – 6.15pm            Sunday 8.30 – 9am &amp; 10.40 – 11am            or ask Fr Philip at any other time.</p>
<b>Sat 9<sup>th</sup> June THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY</b> 9.30am Adoration 10am Mass <b>Margherita Barone RIP</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ROSARY</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">The Rosary is often prayed in the Lady Chapel after weekday Mass and Saturday 10am Mass.</p>
4.00pm* Italian Mass 6.30pm* Mass <b>For the Parish</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Any parishioner frail through illness or old age, or going into hospital for major surgery, can ask Fr Philip for the Sacrament of Anointing at any time.</p>
<b>Sun 10<sup>th</sup> June 10<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b> 9.15am** <b>Giuseppe Diesi RIP</b> 11.15am <b>Bernadette Munday RIP</b> ‡	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Catholics must approach their parish priest at least 6 months prior to their intended wedding, and before setting a wedding date.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust</b>  <b>Registered Charity No. 233699</b></p>
<p>* Vigil Mass of Sunday            ** With Children's Liturgy (nursery-age to year 2 only)            ‡ There are also Sunday evening Masses in English in Hertford (6pm) and Waltham Cross (6.30pm)</p>	
<b>REGULAR EVENTS</b>	
<b>Tues 5<sup>th</sup></b> 12.30pm Lunch club, crypt	<b>Wed 6<sup>th</sup></b> 6pm Brownies, crypt <b>Wed 6<sup>th</sup></b> 8pm Parents 1st HC meeting,

**NEWSLETTER ITEMS TO PRESBYTERY IN WRITING, BY FAX, OR E-MAIL BY 9AM THURS WITH YOUR NAME & PHONE NO. — NEW PARISHIONERS** Please take a parish membership form & information leaflet from the box attached to the notice board. The completed forms should be posted through the presbytery letterbox. **MOVING HOME?** Please post your new details through the presbytery letterbox. **PARROCCHIANI:** *Si pregano tutti i parrocchiani di prendere i questionari (uno per ciascun famiglia) che si trovano vicino al tabellone degli avvisi. Una volta compilati, i questionari devono essere riconsegnati depositandoli nella cassetta della posta vicina alla statua di Sant'Antonio.*