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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (YEAR C) -12TH JUNE 2022

Go and make disciples of all the nations

This weekend we celebrate Trinity Sunday when we remember the great mystery of God being one God in three persons – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We believe in this mystery because of revelation – what has been revealed to us by God himself through creation and holy scripture, and what has been passed onto us in the Church’s tradition, itself inspired by the Holy Spirit. At the end of Mark’s Gospel Jesus tells his disciples to go and proclaim the good news and baptise in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. This is our mission as disciples today. Over the coming weeks, after a pause due to the pandemic, we will be offering a chance for those who wish to be baptised, confirmed or received into the Catholic Church, or even those who just want to find out a bit more about the Catholic faith, to journey with us through the RCIA course.

This is our opportunity to think about whether we know anyone who would like to become Catholic. Perhaps this is someone who has been thinking about it for a long time, or maybe someone who is just waiting to be asked. As Catholics who believe our faith is the truth and who have experienced God’s love, we should want to share this with those we mix with, in our family, our friends, neighbours or work colleagues. Like the first apostles, we have been given the gift of the Holy Spirit to have the courage to ask this question and the wisdom to ask it with sensitivity and discernment. We have had the privilege of others sharing their faith with us, whether that is as children as our parents had us baptised, or as adults when others journeyed with us to discover the beauty of the truth we now profess. Let us now seek to do the same.

The RCIA is open to:

- Unbaptised adults who are exploring the possibility of becoming Roman Catholics.
- Adults baptised into other Christian denominations, who are exploring the possibility of becoming Roman Catholics.
- Adult Roman Catholics who have not made their First Holy Communion or received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

If you or someone you know wishes to begin this process then please contact Fr Andrew for more information.

Let us pray for all those who are thinking about this big step in their journey of faith, and let us seek to always be a community that shares the joy of the Gospel with others, and that does not keep this incredible treasure and blessing for ourselves.

Fr Andrew

FROM THE PARISH DIARIES

SUN 12TH JUNE	11.30am 5.00pm - 5.45pm	Tea and Coffee after Mass - Hall Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions	St John the Evangelist Our Lady Help of Christians
TUE 14TH JUNE	10.00am 7.30pm	Rosary after Mass Life Group - Hall	Our Lady Help of Christians Our Lady Help of Christians
WED 15TH JUNE	9.00am	Rosary before Mass	St John the Evangelist
THU 16TH JUNE	8.00pm - 9.30pm	Life in the Spirit Prayer Group - Hall	Our Lady Help of Christians
FRI 17TH JUNE	10.00am	Burial of Ashes - Bill Graham RIP	Our Lady Help of Christians
SAT 18TH JUNE	9.30am 5.00pm - 5.45pm	GIFT Family Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions	Our Lady Help of Christians St John the Evangelist
SUN 19TH JUNE	10.00am 11.30am 5.00pm - 5.45pm	Tea and Coffee after Mass Tea and Coffee after Mass - Hall Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Confessions	St John Fisher St John the Evangelist Our Lady Help of Christians

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

	Our Lady Help of Christians	St John the Evangelist	St John Fisher
SATURDAY 11TH JUNE <i>ST BARNABAS, APOSTLE</i>	9.30am For those being Ordained to the Diaconate (Diocese of Westminster)	6.00pm Holy Souls	
SUNDAY 12TH JUNE <i>THE MOST HOLY TRINITY</i>	8.30am Anna and Tilak Khurwal RIP 11am For the People of the Parishes 6pm For the People of the Parishes	10.30am Doctors & Staff of Charing Cross Hospital	9am Philip Sanders RIP
MONDAY 13TH JUNE <i>ST ANTHONY OF PADUA</i>	9.30am John Netto RIP		
TUESDAY 14TH JUNE	9.30am Holy Souls		9.30am Fr John Eastell RIP
WEDNESDAY 15TH JUNE	9.30am For the Sick and Housebound of the parishes	9.30am Fr John Eastell RIP	
THURSDAY 16TH JUNE	9.30am Michael Brown RIP		
FRIDAY 17TH JUNE	9.30am Bill Graham RIP		
SATURDAY 18TH JUNE	9.30am For GIFT Families	6.00pm For the People of the Parishes	
SUNDAY 19TH JUNE <i>THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS ET SANGUIS CHRISTI)</i>	8.30am For the People of the Parishes 11am For the People of the Parishes 6pm Alf Loose RIP (Anniv.)	10.30am For the People of the Parishes	9am For the People of the Parishes
SANCTUARY LAMPS	This week our Sanctuary Lamp (Our Lady's) burns for the Guidance & Intentions of A' Level Students		

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISHES

Our Lady Help of Christians: Kathleen Collins, Neville Mathews, Agnes Harper, Ginny Goodgol, Maria Wallis, Heather Kean, John Caneparo, Henry Cutting, Nalene Nixon, Pam Bell, Maureen Douglas, Michael Gaukroger, Molly Gray and Leslie Edwards

St John the Evangelist: Rita Murray, Alfredo Rock and Paul O'Connor.

St John Fisher: Nora O'Toole, Francis De Souza, Georgina Kelham, Pete Murray, Steve Kibbey, Matthew Leone, Jean-Pierre Roche, Angela Hoy, Pat Finucane, Colin Dowling, Kitty Finucane, Anne Trenchard, Paul Kennett, Ann Penn, Paddy Goble, Pam Fitzpatrick, Julian Harris and Canon Robert Plourde

NOTICES FOR ALL THREE PARISHES

BILL GRAHAM RIP

The ashes of Bill Graham RIP will be interred in the Garden of Rest after the 9.30am Mass on Friday 17th June.

JUSTICE AND PEACE CONTACT

Each of our parishes are in need of a Parish Contact for the Westminster Justice and Peace Commission. This involves receiving communications relevant to peace and justice work from the diocese, and to encourage and support the involvement of the clergy and parishioners in prayer, action and reflection on peace and justice. If you would be interested in being the Parish Contact for this then please contact Fr Andrew.

RETURNING TO NORMALITY

The reintroduction of the Sunday obligation marks a significant moment in our return to some form of normality in our churches. The wearing of masks during our services is now a personal choice, but we do ask that you continue to be considerate to those around you who may be nervous in returning to Church over the coming weeks. We will continue to have doors open over the coming months to ensure our buildings are well ventilated.

GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER (GIFT)

Our new family catechesis for all those with children aged 5-11 begins on Saturday 18th June. The sessions will be engaging, spirit-filled and fun, and they are for all the family. We will celebrate Mass, enjoy a time of fellowship and refreshment before sharing catechesis and activities. As part of GIFT we will also hold Faith Formation for parents on one evening each month online (Zoom). These sessions are designed to help parents grow in their own faith, enabling them to lead their family on their journey of faith. We pray that GIFT will be a new way of approaching family catechesis across our parishes that will give all our families encouragement and strength in journeying together in faith. If your family would like to sign up for GIFT then please email the parish office (rickmansworth@rcdow.org.uk) with the names of each of your family, the children's ages and a contact phone number. Further details will then be sent to you.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION.

Please note that there will be no formal application process for First Holy Communion classes as in the past. Applications will now be discerned via the GIFT catechesis in our parishes over the coming years.

ALTAR SERVERS

If there is anyone who would like to join our growing team of Altar Servers across our three parishes please could they email Fr Andrew for a registration form and details about training that will take place over the next couple of months. New servers must have received their First Holy Communion before they can begin this ministry.

COME AND SING!

We are very blessed in each of our three parishes that we have adults who are willing to lead and support our singing in our choirs and music groups to enhance our Sunday worship. These are always open to new members. If you enjoy singing (even as a beginner!) then please do approach the groups or Fr Andrew to find out how you can get involved.

JUBILEE AFTERNOON TEA – Sunday 10th July 2.30pm

We're pleased to confirm the new date. Join us for a traditional afternoon tea to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. All welcome! It will be an outdoor event (weather permitting). Tickets £12 per adult and £6 per child are available again at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/326264585157> or by contacting Angela O'Donovan – aodonovan@ntlworld.com. If you purchased a ticket before, it is valid on the new date. If you can't make the new date, please request a refund via Eventbrite or email Angela or the parish office. If you cannot make the new date and do not request a refund, all proceeds will be donated to the SVP.

GIFT AID

Thank you to everyone who has Gift-Aided their offering. Gift Aid adds 25p to the value of every £1 given, at no extra cost to you. If you are a UK tax payer and would like to Gift Aid your offering please contact Fr Andrew, Fr Damian or Kerry. Please let us know if your tax circumstances have changed so that we do not ask for a tax refund if you haven't paid the associated tax. We will also need to know if you have changed your address recently.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

If you know someone who is sick and housebound in our parishes who would like to receive Holy Communion, please let the parish office know so that we can be in contact with them.

MILL END FOOD BANK

Chess Valley SVP will be collecting specific items needed by the food bank to supplement their food boxes. There are now collection boxes in each of the Church porches for these items. We will be monitoring what is needed by the Food Bank regularly and update this list accordingly both in the Parish newsletter and on the boxes. Items needed at present are; **dog food, deodorant, toilet rolls, washing up liquid, washing powder, shower gel, long life juice/squash, long life milk & tinned vegetables.**

SPONSORED SANCTUARY LAMPS.

In each of our churches 2 sanctuary lamp candles burn throughout the week – one by the tabernacle indicating the Lord's presence, and the other by the statue of Our Lady. Would you like one of these to burn in memory of a loved one, or for a particular intention? If so, we are asking for a donation of £10 per week, for your intention to be remembered and recorded in the weekly newsletter. Please hand your donation into the Parish Office or to one of the priests marked 'Sanctuary Lamp Donation', together with a note stating your particular intention, and the Church and the location of the lamp that you would like to burn for that intention.

6TH RICKMANSWORTH SEA SCOUT GROUP

6th Rickmansworth Sea Scout Group, who have their HQ on the grounds of Our Lady's Church, have for many years been affiliated with the Rickmansworth parishes. We are hoping that this relationship will continue and grow. The group are currently seeking new leaders for their Beavers (aged 6-8), Cubs (8-10½) and Scouts (10½ - 14) to support them. New members are also very welcome. For more information please contact 6thRickySeaScouts@gmail.com

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS - NOTICES

CORPUS CHRISTI

On Sunday 19th June the 11am Mass will end with a Corpus Christi Procession led by those children of our parish who have recently made their First Holy Communion. All are welcome. At all Masses over this weekend those who serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be recommissioned at the Mass that they attend.

ROSARY

We will now pray the rosary after the 9.30am Mass each Tuesday. All are welcome to join us.

200 CLUB

Congratulations to Liz Waddington (£30), Clare Loose (£22.50), Mike Quinn (£15.00) and Patricia Kelly (£7.50).

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST - NOTICES

MASS FOR CORPUS CHRISTI – FOLLOWED BY PROCESSION

On Sunday 19th June at the 10.30am Mass we will all come together for a celebration Mass and procession with the Blessed Sacrament around the grounds of the Church. It is hoped that the children will come dressed in their First Holy Communion dresses and suits and lead the procession. After the Procession we will have a little parish party. Everyone is invited to this parish event. Sandwiches and drinks will be provided. Could we please ask for donations of homemade cakes on the day. Please bring them to the Parish Centre before Mass. Thank you. *Geraldine and Claire*

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FAMILY MASS

As part of our Family Mass that takes place on the third Sunday of the month, we would be looking for teenagers in the parish to become readers. If anyone is interested in this ministry then please talk to Fr Andrew or Geraldine.

ST JOHN FISHER - NOTICES

TEA AND COFFEE will be served after Mass on Sunday 19th June. Everyone welcome, even for a short time.

ST JOHN FISHER SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Would like to extend a warm invitation to all parishioners to a **Family Picnic on Sunday 17th July 12pm** in the church grounds. Please can each family bring their own picnic, squash for the children will be provided and tea and coffee for the adults following the picnic. If you are able to bake a cake to bring along this will be served with tea and coffee. There is a sign-up sheet on the notice board in the entrance porch and please tick if you are able to bring a cake. This is simply for us to know how many parishioners to expect. We look forward to seeing you at our first social event after such a long time.

ST JOHN FISHER SOCIAL COMMITTEE

In order to plan future social events at St John Fisher we need parishioners willing to join us on the Social Committee. If you would like to serve your Parish in this way please see Francis or Maureen (Fields) after Mass on Sunday, let Fr Andrew or Fr Damian know or email Kerry on rickmansworth@rcdow.org.uk and we will be in touch.

MARY'S GARAGE IS OPEN AGAIN.

Please remember the Summer Fair sale in Mary's garage in aid of Cardinal Hume Centre for the Homeless. Open until end of August every Saturday morning and Thursday afternoon or by appointment. Please phone me and/or check the website. Thank you Mary 284975.

MISSIO APF RED BOX HOLDERS

It is June again and time for another quarterly collection. Boxes with cash, envelopes with cash notes or cheques, made payable to MISSIO please, can be brought to church. New donors warmly welcomed. Thank you, Mary 284975.

DIOCESAN NOTICES

UK VISIT OF THE RELICS OF ST BERNADETTE

In September and October 2022 the relics of St Bernadette will be travelling across the UK for veneration and to help us focus on the message and mission of Lourdes. For more details and for the itinerary of the visit please go to www.stbernadette.org.uk

THE FRIENDS

The Society of Friends of Westminster Cathedral is seeking to recruit a part-time Co-ordinator to administer the charity, assist in recruiting new members and in organising events. The appointment, based in Westminster Cathedral Clergy House, is for 20 hours per week at a salary in the region of £14,500 per annum. The appointment is for 12 months, closing date **19 June 2022**. For further details please see <https://westminstercathedral.org.uk/the-friends-seek-an-organising-secretary/>

WILL YOU TAKE THE FIRST STEP?

CAFOD's Gap year programme, Step into the Gap is a great opportunity for Young Adults aged between 18-30 to immerse themselves in interactive experiences, develop leadership skills while exploring their faith, and meeting new people. This is a chance to reflect on your role in global society while spending a year inspiring others to act for the poor and most marginalised. Based in the UK in a retreat centre or Catholic Secondary school with accommodation, travel and stipend included. Take the first step and find out more information and how to apply for September 2022 go to cafod.org.uk/gapyear