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OUR LADY OF THE
ROSARY, MARYLEBONE

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SERVICE TIMES

St John's Wood

Sunday Mass

6:00pm (Sat), 9:00am (Sung),
10:30am (Sung Latin),
12noon (Sung),
6:00pm

Weekday Mass

Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, Friday &
Saturday 10:00am;
Thursday 7:00pm

Confessions

Saturday 10:30am - 11:00am
5:15pm - 5:45pm

Marylebone

Sunday Mass

6:00pm (Sat),
11:00am (Sung Family Mass)

Weekday Mass

Monday, Wednesday & Friday
12:30pm

Confessions

New Time

Saturday 5:15pm-5:45pm

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A Little Help from My Friends

Even though Christ has ascended bodily into Heaven, we are left with His body in two ways. Firstly Christ's Real presence in the Eucharist to which we might develop a deeper love through participation in the Eucharistic Octave leading up to the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. The second aspect involves care for His Body on earth, the Church and her members, and wider humanity

In Sudan, over 8 million people have fled their homes and 25 million Sudanese need immediate, emergency help. Famine looms but families are already going hungry. This crisis threatens to become the worst in living memory, eclipsing even that which lead to Live Aid. Of course, there are deeper roots to this catastrophe – ongoing poverty and unstable governments, and the intense violence which broke out last year lead to most aid agencies leaving and many borders closing. But, the Church is still there. And CAFOD is working tirelessly to help. So please, give to CAFOD's collection today or next week, and Gift Aid your donation if you can. Above all pray for CAFOD's humanitarian work, and for peace and an end to this crisis in Sudan.

Closer to home as you will see overleaf and hear next week in Marylebone, the St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) is seeking new volunteers. Inspired by Christ's message to love our neighbour as ourselves, the SVP helps individuals and families who are in any form of need. But not everyone feels able to ask for help so they also seek out those in need and take referrals to help anyone in a spirit of justice, respecting their dignity in the knowledge that we are all equal. In addition, they aim to be proactive, being alert to ever-changing needs in the communities in which they work and tackling the causes of poverty. Good examples of this are the monthly foodbank contributions collected in St John's Wood and the "Vinnie Packs" which were distributed to the homeless before the cold weather set in

We intend to re-establish the conference at Marylebone and boost the numbers in St John's Wood group. Let us think today how we might help our friends in Africa and more locally just to get by through giving of our excess in money and time. *Canon Kevin*

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Our Lady of Willesden Annual May Procession

in honour of Our Lady takes place at the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden NW10 9AX this Sunday 12 May at 3:00pm.

Please see the poster in the porch.

Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony

25 May 2024 at 2:30pm at Westminster Cathedral.

A Day With Mary 2024 Pilgrimages

Fatima (7-14 June) and Italy (4-12 September) information available at:

www.adaywithmary.org or email:

adwmary.uk@gmail.com

PARISH NOTICES

This Sunday is World Communications Day.

Pope Francis' message for World Communications Day follows the theme "Artificial Intelligence and the Wisdom of the Heart: Towards A Fully Human Communication." For the Pope's full message, prayers and resources, visit: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/wcd24-papal-message/>

The SVP Foodbank collection

takes place this weekend. Please leave non-perishable items on the table in the porch. Thank you for your support.

How Beauty Draws Us Closer to God,

a talk by Fr Patrick Van Der Vorst, the founder of Christian Art, is at St Patrick's Catholic Church, Soho on Friday 17 May at 7:00pm. He will explore how beauty elevates us to encounter the Divine, how the Church has historically sought to create art that facilitates this meeting, and how this can happen in our visually overstimulated world. For tickets visit: guild-ransom.co.uk/events. Please see the poster in the porch.

Formation of an SVP Conference at Our Lady of the Rosary, Marylebone.

Next weekend a representative of the St Vincent de Paul Society will be talking to us about how you can follow Christ's teaching to love your neighbours as yourself. There are many local neighbours who face poverty, loneliness and isolation - and the SVP can give you the means to turn your concern into action by helping them. The SVP can provide much needed practical support to those living in poverty. Members are needed to ensure that this work continues to grow and flourish. We urge anyone who has time to offer, to work with the SVP by becoming a volunteer.

Annual Eucharistic Octave and Central London Corpus Christi Procession.

The Diocesan Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament, *Corpus Christi*, Maiden Lane, will again be hosting a Eucharistic Octave from 25 May to 2 June. This has been organised by several London parishes to celebrate our Eucharistic Lord in the lead up to the Solemnity of *Corpus Christi* and includes the celebration of Masses in the various Rites of the Church and the *Quarant'Ore* devotions. Full details are available at: <https://catholicengland.org/programme/> and the poster in the porch.

The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London

is holding a First Saturday Divine Mercy Recollection Day at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham on Saturday 1 June from 11:00am until 4:30pm. The Recollection Day will include teachings on the Message of Mercy, Holy Mass, Stations of the Cross, Hour of Mercy with Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. Please telephone Millie on 07957 594 646 for more information. Coaches from Ealing Broadway and Victoria. Please see the poster in the porch.

CAFOD is organising a pilgrimage for young adults aged 18- 40 from 12 -14 July, in a special way in this year of prayer and lead up to the year of Jubilee. Reconnecting with their faith through worship, prayer and journeying as pilgrims together, the pilgrimage will include a two-night residential stay at: Frontier Centre, Irthlingborough, NN9 5UH. On the Saturday they will be walking from Our Lady Help of Christians & St Lawrence, Olney, to The Church of the Holy Child in Bedford, approximately 13.5 miles. For more information please visit: <https://cafod.org.uk/news/events/young-adults-residential-pilgrimage> and see the poster in the porch.