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WEEKLY GIVING

Sunday 29th April 2018

Offertory Loose Plate £510
Offertory Envelopes £105
Aid to Church in Need £358.63

*Thank you for your continued
generous support*

THE LAMPS ARE BURNING FOR:

SANCTUARY LAMPS
In Reparation

LADY CHAPEL
Conversion of England

*To have the lamps burning for your
intentions, use an envelope at the back of
the church or visit the website.*



CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH

MAY – MONTH DEDICATED TO
OUR LADY

✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – SUNDAY 6TH MAY 2018
✠ 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY 6TH

✠ 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9.30am Mass
11.30am Solemn Mass

*(Ps. Week 2)
Peter Leigh – Ints.
Pro Populo*

MONDAY 7TH

EASTER FERIA

10.00am Mass
6.30pm Mass – Extraordinary Form

España Family, living & dead

TUESDAY 8TH

EASTER FERIA

1.05pm Mass

Janelle – Intentions

WEDNESDAY 9TH

EASTER FERIA

1.05pm Mass

Sean Booth – Intentions

THURSDAY 10TH

✠ THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

9.45am School Mass
12.05pm Mass
1.05pm Mass
6.30pm Solemn Mass

*Families and staff at St Joseph's school
Anil & Shereen – Intentions
Private intention
Benefactors of Corpus Christi*

FRIDAY 11TH

EASTER FERIA

1.05pm Mass
6.30pm Mass – Extraordinary Form

*Allen Hall Seminary
Good Counsel Network*

SATURDAY 12TH

EASTER FERIA

9.00am onwards – Church Cleaning
6.00pm Vigil Mass

Giles Leigh – Intentions

SUNDAY 13TH

✠ 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9.30am Mass
11.30am Solemn Mass

*Nicholas Leigh – Intentions
Pro Populo*

EXPOSITION & ADORATION: Weekdays 12pm – 1pm, except Tuesdays
SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION: 30 mins before every Mass, except Tuesdays

REGULAR PARISH GROUPS:

Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament: First Thursday of the Month, 6:30pm, Mass, Adoration and Benediction with a different guest preacher each month. All welcome!

Mass in the Extraordinary Form (Missal of 1962): 6.30pm Mondays & Bank Holidays; 6:30pm Second Friday of the month (Contact Latin Mass Society Tel: 020 7404 7284)

Youth Prayer Group: Young Adults Prayer Group each Wednesday 7pm in Church with Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary - Mass first Wednesday of the Month

CaAPA (The Catholic Association for Performing Arts) 020 7240 1221

St. John Paul II Prayer Group (Fraternity of St. Genesius) 7.00pm on 2nd Thursday of each month – Mass, Benediction and Blessing with First Class Relic of Pope St. John Paul II.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Saturday evening after the Vigil Mass.

WE NEED YOUR HELP PLEASE

There is a tremendous amount to do in preparation for the visit of HE the Cardinal, as he comes to celebrate Mass on the 3rd June, and to formally erect Corpus Christi as the Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament for the diocese, and for our life here beyond that date. So: I'm just going to list a few things – please think where **YOU** might help.

We have a team of people who regularly clean the church – a huge thank you to them. But we always need others to help. It's a lovely thing to do for the church – and leaves the place looking marvellous. BUT, we need two big cleaning days:

9.00am onwards, Saturday 26th May – in preparation for our week of celebrations

9.00am onwards, Saturday 2nd June – so that church is ready for the Sunday Masses of Corpus Christi and the Cardinal's visit.

The Forty Hours – see opposite. We need people to watch for one hour at a time, before the Blessed Sacrament: from 7.00am until midnight. This is a wonderful opportunity for all of us to spend time with our Eucharistic Lord. You can sign up at a time convenient to you by telephoning the office, email, or adding your name to the list in the church (after the weekend).

On the 18th June, the sacristy (the place where we store the things we need for Mass and where the priest dresses) is going to be completely gutted and re-fitted. This will take about 1 month. Once it's done, we will have somewhere decent to store our new vestments and to prepare for the celebration in the church. At last, we will be able to keep and care for these precious things decently. But: could you help to **launder the small linens** used at Mass? **If you're good at needlework**, perhaps you could help look after the vestments and carry out small repairs. Or you might be able to help send our packs to new members of the Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament.

Once we are the Shrine, we're only going to get busier – and that's fantastic. I pray that we get visitors / pilgrims from all over the place: coming to adore Our Blessed Eucharistic Lord in this great Shrine. We must be involved with Eucharistic evangelisation – helping the People of God to draw ever closer to Him. But Alex and I can't do this alone: we are both VERY stretched. So please – offer your help in some small way. If everyone gets involved – great things can happen here.

Every blessing *Fr Alan Robinson*

SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Mass is at 6.30pm **on Thursday 7th June**. The confraternity meets on a monthly basis for Mass, Adoration and Benediction, adoring Jesus truly present in the Blessed Sacrament and the Mass is offered for the intentions of members. Leaflets containing application forms are available at the back of the church, or you can join online at sodality.co.uk

ANOTHER NICE THING A generous donor has given us a new processional cross – it's on the way to us from Naples.

ADOREMUS EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS: 7 – 9 SEPTEMBER

The Echo Arena in Liverpool – which can accommodate 10,000 pilgrims – will be the home to a six-hour stage programme on the 8th September and will include a Congress Mass, keynote speakers **Bishop Robert Barron** and **Vincent Cardinal Nichols**, and a drama highlighting the beauty of reverence and devotion. The day will conclude with **Adoration**. For more information and to enquire about tickets to events, please contact adoremus@rcdow.org.uk or call 07738183829.

THE GRAND RE-OPENING WEEK

Tuesday 29th May at 6.30pm: Votive Mass of the Blessed Sacrament and opening of the 40 Hours Devotion. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until midnight.

Wednesday 30th May: Blessed Sacrament is exposed at 7am and remains exposed until midnight.

Thursday 31st May: The Blessed Sacrament is exposed at 7am. **7.00pm: Pontifical High Mass** at the Faldstool in the Extraordinary Form closing the 40 Hours Devotion. Celebrant: Abbot Hugh Allan, O.Praem.

Friday 1st June at 6.30pm: Solemn Erection of the new Stations of the Cross.

Saturday 2nd June:

3.30pm Solemn Pontifical Vespers: Celebrant Bishop Robert Byrne, Cong.Orat.

6.00pm Pontifical Vigil Mass of Corpus Christi: Celebrant Bishop Robert Byrne, Cong.Orat.

Sunday 3rd June at 11.00am: Pontifical Solemn Mass and Solemn Erection of the Diocesan Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament of Corpus Christi and procession of the Blessed Sacrament. Celebrant: H.E Vincent Cardinal Nichols

There are some coloured leaflets giving all of these details. Please take some and give them to your friends.

THE FINAL PUSH

Now that the building work is nearing the end, we can start looking at the inside of the church. As we are now a Shrine Church dedicated to Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, we need to purchase some new vestments for the celebration of the Mass: the greatest gift of God to the Church and the world. We need to obtain both ferial and festive sets in each colour. These vestments will cost between **Euro 450 to 750** a set. It's a marvellous opportunity to have a set of vestments made and used for the celebration of the Mass, in memory of a departed loved one of yours. Each set will have in the lining the name of the person in whose memory the vestments have been purchased: asking each priest who wears them, to remember the deceased or living person at the altar. If you would like to help – please contact us in the Parish Office. (Please do not buy the vestments yourselves – we have an arrangement with a tailor in Rome)

MASS INTENTIONS

There are Masses available for your intentions. Please use the envelopes at the back of the church or visit the website.

NICE THINGS

Today – the **sound system and induction loop** are working. Please switch to “T” on your hearing aid And a **GORGEOUS** surprise if you come to Mass Thursday onwards.....

Our sick parishioners and friends

David Jordan, Bill Tomlinson, Fr. Michael Durand, Christopher Browne, Margaret Griffith, Pascal James, Jean Bernard, Brian Keenan, Sid Shepherd, Terry Miles, John Hughes, Warren Peterson, Nicholas Pollock, Jack Ward, Traute Pollock, Noël Tobin, Geoff Smale, David Michael Barrett, Christopher Browne, John Lynch, Peter Georgeson, Colin Folan, Ann Gorman, Janet Seeley, Margaret Hopley DGCHS

Of your charity – please pray for those who have died recently: Dennis Gunn, Bishop Francis Walmsley, Joan Cook, Sergio Alves, Julia Teresa Morgan, Fr Norman Brown, Monsignor Augustine Hoey, Fr. John Bruce Elliott, Mary Josephine (Maisie) Rebello DCHS, Carlo Cardinal Caffara, James Johnson.