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*This parish is part of the WRCDT  
Registered Charity Number 233699*

### WEEKLY GIVING

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2019  
Loose £633.31  
Envelopes £125.00

*Thank you for your continued  
generous support*

### THE LAMPS ARE BURNING FOR:

#### SANCTUARY LAMPS

Private Intention x1  
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The Patel Family x1  
Actors Living & Dead x1  
In Reparation x3

#### LADY CHAPEL

Christiane Brown

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



## CORPUS CHRISTI

### THE DIOCESAN SHRINE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

AUGUST - MONTH DEDICATED TO  
THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

### ✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – 11<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2019 19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### SUNDAY 11<sup>TH</sup>

#### ✠ 19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

9.30am Mass  
11.30am Mass in Latin

*(Ps Week 3)  
Pro Populo  
Mary Cecilia Cuming*

#### MONDAY 12<sup>TH</sup>

#### ST JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL, RELIGIOUS

1.05pm Mass  
6.30pm Mass – Extraordinary Form

*Esther Chan – sick*

#### TUESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup>

#### SS PONTIAN, POPE & HIPPOLYTUS, PRIEST, MARTYRS

No Mass – Tuesday Masses will resume in September

#### WEDNESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup>

#### ST MAXIMILIAN MARY KOLBE, PRIEST & MARTYR

1.05pm Mass

*Maria Jessiman – Intentions*

#### THURSDAY 15<sup>TH</sup>

#### ✠ THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8.00am Mass – Extraordinary Form  
12.05pm Mass  
1.05pm Mass

*Holy Souls in Purgatory  
Anna Quinn  
In Thanksgiving – SL*

#### FRIDAY 16<sup>TH</sup>

#### ST STEPHEN OF HUNGARY

1.05pm Mass

*Dipre Family – Intentions*

#### SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup>

#### FERIA

9.00am Church Cleaning  
6.00pm Vigil Mass

*Czeslawa Gryko RIP*

#### SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup>

#### ✠ 20<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

9.30am Mass  
11.30am Mass in Latin

*(Ps Week 4)  
Dick & Mea Prendergast – RIP  
Pro Populo*

#### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT\*:

7.30am – 8.30am & 12noon – 1pm

#### SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION:

30 mins before 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)

**Eucharistic Prayer Group:** Young Adults Prayer Group each Wednesday 7pm in Church with Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary - Mass first Wednesday of the Month. Contact Annette: ccpguk@gmail.com

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

**St. John Paul II Prayer Group (Fraternity of St. Genesius)** 7.00pm on 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

## FEAR NOT, LITTLE FLOCK

In this Sunday's Gospel passage Jesus continues his teaching to the disciples on the value of the person in God's eyes and on the futility of mundane worries. This does not mean doing nothing. Indeed, on hearing Jesus' reassuring invitation: "Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom", our hearts open up to a hope which illumines and animates real life. We have the certainty that "the Gospel is not merely a communication of things that can be known it is one that makes things happen and is life-changing. The dark door of time, of the future, has been thrown open. Whoever has hope lives differently; the one who hopes has been granted the gift of a new life". As we read in the passage from the *Letter to the Hebrews* in today's Liturgy, Abraham with a trusting heart entered into the hope that God opened to him, the promise of a land and of "numerous descendants", and left "not knowing where he was to go", trusting only in God. And Jesus in today's Gospel illustrates through three parables how waiting for the fulfilment of the "blessed hope", his Coming, should urge one more and more toward a profound life, rich in good works: "Sell your possessions, and give alms; provide yourselves with purses that do not grow old, with a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches and no moth destroys". It is an invitation to use things unselfishly without thirsting for possession or dominion, but according to the logic of God, the logic of consideration for others, the logic of love: as Romano Guardini succinctly wrote, "in the form of a relationship: beginning with God, in view of God".

## SUMMER CHANGES

As lots of our regular parishioners and those involved at Corpus Christi are away having a break over the summer, there will be the following changes to our usual program here:

- The 11:30am Sunday Masses will be said whilst the musicians are on holiday. Music returns in September.
- There are no Masses on a Tuesday until September.
- The Wednesday Prayer Group returns with a Mass on the 4<sup>th</sup> September.

## HAPPY HOLIDAYS

If you're on holiday now or going away on holiday – have a great time and come back refreshed and full of beans. Be safe, and every blessing from the Shrine.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Envelopes are at the back of the Church. Return them ASAP, especially if you require a particular date! Please don't leave it until the last moment – the date may well be taken.

## SEVEN DAY LAMPS

Seven Day Lamps are available from the Presbytery for £5 or after Sunday Masses. You can also have the Sanctuary Lamps burning for a particular intention of yours. Envelopes to arrange this are at the back of the church.

## OUR LADY SHOWS US THE WAY TO HEAVEN

This Thursday is the wonderful Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Blessed Lady. It's a day which reveals to us the true nature of Mary, i.e. free from all sin, from attachment to sin, and never very having sinned. And because of this, as a human being, She is unique. I'm afraid that all of us have a great deal to sort out. But Mary gives us the best advice possible, in just a few words; advice that will help us into Heaven – to follow where She has gone. Mary says to us, "Do whatever He tells you." If we do this in every situation, we'll be right on track.

## ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary falls on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August. It is a Holy Day of Obligation, and Mass will be offered here at **8.00am (EF)**, **12.05pm** and **1.05pm**. Do make an effort to fulfil your obligation on this great Solemnity – a wonderful day of celebration for the Church!

## THE CORRECT WORDS ARE IMPORTANT

When a priest celebrates the Mass he is only permitted to use the words printed in the Altar Missal. Period! He might think he could make a few changes to improve the celebration, to make the Mass a bit more "meaningful" (whatever that means) BUT no priest or bishop has the authority to do this. Why? Well, the Mass hasn't been committed to papers on the whim of the feelings of a few people, for feelings have nothing to do with it. The Mass, from beginning to end, is a reflection of the tradition of the Church – and consists of the words which are necessary to reflect the theology which enables the Body and Blood of the Lord to become present for us on the Altar of the Church. I can assure you that not one of us knows better than the Church on how these great truths should be expressed and celebrated. This same principal we should apply to all of the Sacraments. Just think about Confession. The various truly Catholic Acts of Contrition available express the necessary inward disposition we must have to be forgiven our sins. Somehow, TRY (*not to sin again*) has slipped into the formula some people use. We need to have a **Firm Purpose of Amendment**: i.e., that we clearly intend to avoid sin again – and this disposition of our hearts needs to be expressed in the words we use. This, along with the words of the priest, is our part in bringing about the forgiveness we seek. So please – just go with what the Church gives us: She knows best. *Fr Alan Robinson*

## SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Sodality Mass is at **6.30pm Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September** (no Mass in August) and our guest preacher will be **Fr Alexander Master**, Private Secretary to HE Cardinal Nichols. 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 visit [sodality.co.uk](http://sodality.co.uk)

**CONFESSIONS** are heard for half an hour before all Masses – but if you can't make it then, please ring the doorbell of the Rectory.

## Our sick parishioners and friends

Sean Brennan, Swee Khoo, Bunny France, Collette Nevens, Peter Noakes, Tony Pearce, Mgr Frederik Miles, David Jordan, Bill Tomlinson, Christopher Browne, Margaret Griffith, Pascal James, Jean Bernard, Brian Keenan, Sid Shepherd, Terry Miles, John Hughes, Warren Peterson, Nicholas Pollock, Fr Patrick Hayward, 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:** Fr Tom Quinn, Essi Tamaddom, Ruth Nicol, Christiane Brown, Fr Denis Patrick Watters, Mrs Anne Mary Youde DHS, Martin King, Mary Muir, Gedeon Egbert Woodworth, Anthony Pearce, Anthony Shanagher, Mgr Edwin Barnes, Fr Adrian Walker, Sheila Gaeton, Jean Teresa Wadsworth, Sebastian Jeans, Maureen Goodey, Mark Gregory Kay, Maria-Stella Ngombe, Bishop Friedrich Ostermann, Rosaleen Hunt, Craig, Rosa Silvester, Fr James Minogue, Marie Fe Lorenzo Ruiz,