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CORPUS CHRISTI THE DIOCESAN SHRINE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

JULY – MONTH DEDICATED TO THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – 5TH JULY 2020 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Please note that the church is restricted to **43** seats, due to social distancing regulations (A family in a pew is one 'seat'). Seats are allocated on a first come, first served basis. The church will open just before the times listed below, and will close soon after Mass to allow for cleaning. Full details on the website.

Confessions may be heard before Masses, or upon appointment, but will be done outside with social distancing in place.

We will continue to live stream on our website at maidenlane.org.uk/live

SUNDAY 5TH

✠ 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9.30 am Mass
11.30 am Mass in Latin
5.00 pm Holy Hour with Rosary

*Ps Week 2
Pro Populo
Foundation Mass*

MONDAY 6TH

ST MARIA GORETTI, VIRGIN & MARTYR

12noon Holy Hour
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Vespers, Rosary & Benediction

Macleod Family Intentions

TUESDAY 7TH

FERIA

8.00 am Mass

Brenda Faux RIP

WEDNESDAY 8TH

FERIA

12noon Holy Hour
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Vespers, Rosary & Benediction

Alan Goodridge RIP

THURSDAY 9TH

ST AUGUSTINE ZHAO RONG, PRIEST, & COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

12noon Holy Hour
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Vespers, Rosary & Benediction

Benefactors of Corpus Christi

FRIDAY 10TH

FERIA

12noon Holy Hour
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Vespers, Rosary & Benediction

(Friday Abstinence)

David Miller – sick

SATURDAY 11TH

ST BENEDICT, ABBOT, PATRON OF EUROPE

5.00 pm Holy Hour
6.00 pm Vigil Mass

Bridget Walsh – Anniversary

SUNDAY 12TH

✠ 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9.30 am Mass
11.30 am Mass in Latin
5.00 pm Vespers, Rosary & Benediction

*Ps Week 3
Pro Populo*

Welfare of S, D & M Woodman-Stanes Family

TAKE MY YOKE UPON YOU

In the Gospel today the Lord Jesus repeats to us the words that we know so well but that never fail to move us: “Come to me, all who labour and are heavily laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light”.

As Jesus went along the roads of Galilee proclaiming the Kingdom of God and healing many sick people, “he had compassion on the crowds, for they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd”.

Jesus’ gaze seems to extend to this day, to our world. Today, too, it rests on so many people oppressed by difficult living conditions and lacking valid reference points to find a meaning and a purpose for their existence. Exhausted multitudes are found in the poorest countries, harshly tried by poverty; and even in the richer countries there are numerous dissatisfied men and women who are even ill with depression. Let us think of the many evacuees and refugees, of all those who emigrate, putting their own lives at risk. Christ’s gaze then rests his gaze upon all these people, indeed upon each one of these children of the Father who is in Heaven and repeats: “Come to me, all...” of you.

Jesus promised he would give everyone “rest”, but on one condition: “Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart”. What is this “yoke” which lightens instead of burdening, which instead of oppressing, uplifts? The “yoke” of Christ is the law of love, it is his commandment which he bequeathed to his disciples. The true remedy for humanity’s wounds, both material — such as hunger and injustice in all its forms — and psychological and moral, caused by a false well-being, is a rule of life based on fraternal love, whose source is in the love of God. For this reason it is necessary to abandon the way of arrogance, of violence used to obtain ever more powerful positions, to assure oneself of success at any price.

It is also necessary to give up the aggressive attitudes which have prevailed in recent centuries and to adopt a reasonable “gentleness”. However, in human, interpersonal and social relations above all, the rule of respect and of non-violence, namely, the power of the truth against every kind of abuse is what can assure a future worthy of the human being.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION:

My Jesus, I most firmly believe that You are really present in the Blessed Sacrament. I place my whole confidence in You, and I love You above all things. Oh that I had never offended You! I ardently desire to be united to You, my loving Saviour, and never to be separated from You. What have I in heaven, and besides you what do I desire upon earth! Veni, Domine Jesu!

A PRAYER AGAINST PLAGUE *A prayer from the 17th Century...*

Grant, we beseech you, almighty God, that we who in your name seek the grace of your protection, through the intercession of Blessed Mary ever Virgin, your saints Sebastian, Adrian, Anthony, Roch, Benno and of all the saints, having been freed from plague, and sudden death, may serve you with untroubled minds. Amen.

WELCOME BACK!

Welcome back to the Shrine! How wonderful it is to finally celebrate Mass with you all publicly and not just at the end of a camera lens. Please bear with us whilst we adjust to this new way of doing things. Please be patient,

IMPORTANT CHANGES TO NOTE

There are some obvious changes to the way we do things here. Seats are limited to **43 (a family is one ‘seat’)** and are allocated on a first come, first served basis. Please do as the stewards ask you to do and maintain social distancing between yourselves whilst you are in the building.

If you are able to **volunteer** some time each week as a steward/cleaner, please speak to Fr Alan or Alex.

After Mass, the church will be closed to allow for cleaning. We don’t want to chase you out of the church, but please be aware of this if you normally stay behind after Mass to offer some prayers.

PPE You may wear face masks if you so wish, however, please make sure these are removed before presenting yourself for Holy Communion. Similarly, gloves may not be worn to receive Holy Communion and you will be asked to remove them if you present wearing them.

Communion will be distributed **after** Mass, standing and in the hand. This prevents too much movement in the church. If you wish to receive on the tongue, you are asked to present yourself last. You will notice that Father holds up the Sacred Host from the Altar before Holy Communion and says “The Body of Christ”, to which you respond “Amen.” This means that when you receive Holy Communion, it will be done silently. Father will simply give you the Sacred Host, which you will consume, without the need of first saying anything.

There can be **no congregational singing**, so please make sure you only speak the responses.

The Collection will not be taken during Mass: a marked bin will be available by the door as you leave. You will notice that we now also have a contactless donation machine, which you can use to simply tap your credit or debit card to donate if you feel uncomfortable about handling cash at this time. You may also continue to donate online at maidenlane.org.uk/support
Confessions may be heard before Masses or by making an appointment with Fr Alan. Please note that social distancing measures are still in force.

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You can continue to request Mass intentions by going on our website at maidenlane.org.uk/intentions

The same is true for the Sanctuary Lamps. Our Lord remains in the tabernacle and the lamps continue to burn before Him. Have them lit for your intentions by visiting maidenlane.org.uk/lamps

Thank you to those who have been sending in donations. We are exceedingly grateful to you all.

Our sick parishioners and friends: Sue Wingfield, Marilyn Bruce-Mitford, Peter Noakes, Tony Pearce, David Jordan, 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, Ann Gorman, Janet Seeley,

Of your charity – please pray for those who have died recently: Stephen Rose, Christopher Canon Tuckwell, Larinka Wright, Claus Tenzler, Eva Wiesinger, Revd. Dr. Cadoc Douglas Auld Leighton, Mgr Anthony Conlon, Fr John Seabrook, Mgr John Coghlan, Fr John Helm, Fr John O’Halloran, Mgr Frederick Canon Miles, Fr Austin Garvey, Fr Bryan Jones, Collette Nevens, Rita Lobo, Bill Tomlinson, Mgr John Klyberg, Mgr. Wolfgang Nastainczyk, Christiane Brown