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# CORPUS CHRISTI

## THE DIOCESAN SHRINE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

MAY – MONTH DEDICATED TO  
OUR BLESSED LADY



### ✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – 30<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2021

#### THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

With the lifting of some restrictions, we are pleased to say that the church will now be open all day, every day for private prayer, as well as the public Mass times below. Please continue to keep a safe distance from those outside your household. There is no need to book for Mass. You MUST wear a face covering, unless exempt. **Confessions** may be heard half an hour before Masses, or upon appointment, in the Confessional. Live stream continues at [maidenlane.org.uk/live](http://maidenlane.org.uk/live)

**SUNDAY 30<sup>TH</sup>****✠ THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

9.30 am Mass  
11.30 am Sung Mass in Latin  
5.00 pm Holy Hour

*Ps. Week 1  
Pro Populo  
Nellie Goodwin RIP*

**MONDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> – BANK HOLIDAY****THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

10.00 am Mass  
6.30 pm Mass – Extraordinary Form

*Monica Remedios RIP*

**TUESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup>****ST JUSTIN MARTYR**

Private Mass. Church open for private prayer.

*Foundation Mass*

**WEDNESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup>****ST MARCELLINUS & PETER, MARTYRS**

12 noon Exposition  
1.05 pm Mass  
5.00 pm Holy Hour  
7.00 pm Corpus Christi Prayer Group

*Gerry & Dymphna – Intentions*

**THURSDAY 3<sup>RD</sup>****ST CHARLES LWANGA & COMPANIONS, MARTYRS**

12 noon Exposition  
1.05 pm Mass

*Kai Yu Wong RIP*

**CORPUS CHRISTI & THE OPENING OF QUARANT'ORE**

7.00 pm Mass – Extraordinary Form

*Foundation Mass*

*The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from the end of Mass until Midnight.*

**FRIDAY 4<sup>TH</sup>****FERIA – CONTINUATION OF QUARANT'ORE**

*The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 7am until Midnight.*

1.05 pm Mass (in the Lady Chapel)

*For the end of the Pandemic*

6.30 pm Led Holy Hour

*(Friday Abstinence)*

**SATURDAY 5<sup>TH</sup>****ST BONIFACE, BISHOP & MARTYR – CONTINUATION OF QUARANT'ORE**

*The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 7am until 5:30pm.*

6.00 pm Vigil Mass closing Quarant'Ore

*Benefactors of Corpus Christi*

**SUNDAY 6<sup>TH</sup>****✠ THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST**

11.00 am Solemn Sung Mass

*Ps. Week 2  
Pro Populo*

## IN THE TRINITY OF ONE SUBSTANCE

After the Easter Season which culminated in the Feast of Pentecost, the liturgy provides for these three Solemnities of the Lord: today, Trinity Sunday; next Thursday, Corpus Christi which in many countries will be celebrated next Sunday; and finally, on the following Friday, the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Each one of these liturgical events highlights a perspective by which the whole mystery of the Christian faith is embraced: and that is, respectively the reality of the Triune God, the Sacrament of the Eucharist and the divine and human centre of the Person of Christ. These are truly aspects of the one mystery of salvation which, in a certain sense, sum up the whole itinerary of the revelation of Jesus, from his Incarnation to his death and Resurrection and, finally, to his Ascension and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Today we contemplate the Most Holy Trinity as Jesus introduced us to it. He revealed to us that God is love "not in the oneness of a single Person, but in the Trinity of one substance". He is the Creator and merciful Father; he is the Only-Begotten Son, eternal Wisdom incarnate, who died and rose for us; he is the Holy Spirit who moves all things, cosmos and history, toward their final, full recapitulation. Three Persons who are one God because the Father is love, the Son is love, the Spirit is love. God is wholly and only love, the purest, infinite and eternal love. He does not live in splendid solitude but rather is an inexhaustible source of life that is ceaselessly given and communicated.

To a certain extent we can perceive this by observing both the macro-universe: our earth, the planets, the stars, the galaxies; and the micro-universe: cells, atoms, elementary particles. The "name" of the Blessed Trinity is, in a certain sense, imprinted upon all things because all that exists, down to the last particle, is in relation; in this way we catch a glimpse of God as relationship and ultimately, Creator Love. All things derive from love, aspire to love and move impelled by love, though naturally with varying degrees of awareness and freedom. "O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!" the Psalmist exclaims.

In speaking of the "name", the Bible refers to God himself, his truest identity. It is an identity that shines upon the whole of Creation, in which all beings for the very fact that they exist and because of the "fabric" of which they are made point to a transcendent Principle, to eternal and infinite Life which is given, in a word, to Love. "In him we live and move and have our being", St Paul said at the Areopagus of Athens. The strongest proof that we are made in the image of the Trinity is this: love alone makes us happy because we live in a relationship, and we live to love and to be loved. Borrowing an analogy from biology, we could say that imprinted upon his "genome", the human being bears a profound mark of the Trinity, of God as Love.

## SEVEN DAY LAMPS

Are available at the back of the church for £5, or online at [maidenlane.org.uk/lamps](http://maidenlane.org.uk/lamps) You can also request the Sanctuary lamps to burn for a particular intention in this way

## QUARANT'ORE AND CORPUS CHRISTI 2021

The Solemnity of Corpus Christi is **this week**, and with it our annual *Quarant'Ore* – or 40 Hours – Devotions. Please take note of what's happening as there are some changes to the usual schedule over these days:

- ✠ **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 7pm:** Extraordinary Form High Mass of Corpus Christi opening *Quarant'Ore*. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from the end of Mass until **Midnight**.
- ✠ **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June: 7am – Midnight:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; **1:05pm:** Mass for the end of the Pandemic; **6:30pm:** Holy Hour & Benediction
- ✠ **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> June: 7am – 5:30pm:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. **6:00pm** Sung Vigil Mass of Corpus Christi, closing *Quarant'Ore*
- ✠ **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> June: 11am:** Sung Mass of Corpus Christi in the Ordinary Form. **NB** There is only one Mass this Sunday at 11am – there will be no 9:30am Mass!

You can add your prayer intentions, buy a candle to burn before Our Lord, or volunteer an hour of Watching by simply visiting our website at [maidenlane.org.uk/forty](http://maidenlane.org.uk/forty) Last year, the Sanctuary was filled with lamps burning from all over the world and was such a moving sight!

## BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS BOOKS

We have taken delivery of a supply of books on the life of Blessed Carlo Acutis – the young Eucharistic saint, who died at the age of 15. These are produced by CTS, and are a great inspiration of how to lead a holy life in the steps of Bl Carlo. They cost **£5.95** and can be bought from the back of the church around Mass / Holy Hour times.

## CONFESSION

Confessions are heard before all Masses, or upon appointment, in the Confessional. Without Confession we drift away from the life of God. It's inevitable, for we are all sinners. As St John tells us, "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us." Please ensure you are wearing a face covering to protect both yourself and the priest.

## RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION REVERENTLY

Each week we are heading back towards normality – in our society and in the life of the Church. But until we get there, I just want to remind you of a couple of things when receiving Holy Communion. You need to remove your mask when you are at the altar rail. No matter how you receive Holy Communion, you can't do this with your mouth covered. If you are receiving in the hand – PLEASE do not twist, turn, stand, walk away or do anything UNTIL you have placed the Sacred Host in your mouth.

And please make sure your hands are spotlessly clean – and that there are no particles remaining on your skin. You need to be absolutely scrupulous about this. If you are receiving on the tongue – then, of course, you avoid all of these issues.

## MASS INTENTIONS

You can still request Masses to be offered for a particular intention. I'm afraid, that at the moment, the earliest date available is in September. You can make a request either by using the envelopes at the back of the church, or going on the website [maidenlane.org.uk/intentions](http://maidenlane.org.uk/intentions)

**Our sick parishioners and friends:** Christopher Bronne, Sandra Jones, Velrich Fernandes, Kee Ow Peng, Maria Jessiman, Adam Serdiuchenko, 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, 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:** Nellie Goodwin, Marlis Okeke, Michael Canon McCoy, HRH The Prince Philip, Paul Coleman, Nancy McWilliams, Virginia Maria Vaz, Fr Kidane Lebasi, Giles Canon Goward, Mgr Mark Langham, Olive O'Grady, Jack Ward, Mary Quinlan, Fr Frederick Jackson, Larinka Wright, Claus Tenzler, Mgr Frederick Canon Miles, Rita Lobo, Bill Tomlinson, Mgr John Klyberg, Mgr. Wolfgang Nastainczyk, Christiane Brown