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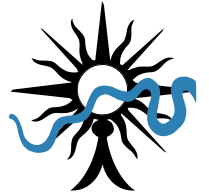
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# CORPUS CHRISTI

## THE DIOCESAN SHRINE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



SEPTEMBER – MONTH DEDICATED TO  
THE SEVEN SORROWS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

## ✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – 12<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021

### 24<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME THE LONDON EUCHARISTIC OCTAVE

#### SUNDAY 12<sup>TH</sup>

#### ✠ 24<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9.30 am Mass  
11.30 am Sung Mass in Latin  
5.00 pm Holy Hour with Vespers & Benediction

*Ps. Week 4*

*Pro Populo*

*Peter Howard – Intentions*

#### MONDAY 13<sup>TH</sup>

#### ST JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, BISHOP & DOCTOR

12 noon Exposition  
1.05 pm Mass *Agnelo Rodrigues – Thanksgiving*

#### VOTIVE MASS OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

6.30 pm High Mass – Extraordinary Form/Margaret & Salvatore Monni RIP

#### TUESDAY 14<sup>TH</sup>

#### THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

6.30 pm Sung Mass – Ordinariate Use  
*Followed by Veneration of the Relic of the True Cross*

#### WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup>

#### OUR LADY OF SORROWS

12 noon Exposition  
1.05 pm Mass *David Hirst RIP*  
6.30 pm Sung Mass – Ordinary Form *In Reparation*

#### THURSDAY 16<sup>TH</sup>

#### Ss CORNELIUS, POPE, AND CYPRIAN, BISHOP, MARTYRS

12 noon Exposition  
1.05 pm Mass *Ciaran O'Connell – Intentions*

#### HIEROMARTYR ANTHIMUS & VENERABLE THEOCTISTUS

6.30 pm Ukrainian Catholic Divine Liturgy of St John Chrysostom

#### FRIDAY 17<sup>TH</sup>

*(Friday Abstinence)*

#### ST ROBERT BELLARMIN, BISHOP & DOCTOR

12 noon Exposition  
1.05 pm Mass *Lorielin Sidney Robinson – Thanksgiving*  
6.30 pm Sung Requiem Mass *Covid-19 Deceased*

#### SATURDAY 18<sup>TH</sup>

#### FERIA

5.00 pm Exposition  
6.00 pm Vigil Mass *Conchita Garcia RIP*

#### SUNDAY 19<sup>TH</sup>

#### ✠ 25<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9.30 am Mass *Ps. Week 1*  
11.30 am Sung Mass in Latin *Anne Barrett RIP – Anniversary*  
3.30 pm Procession of the Blessed Sacrament departing from Warwick Street,  
finishing at Spanish Place for Pontifical Benediction *Pro Populo*

## WHO DO YOU SAY THAT I AM?

On this Sunday, the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time, the word of God calls us into question with two crucial questions that I shall sum up in these words: "Who do you say Jesus of Nazareth is?". Then: "Is your faith shown in your works, or not?". We find the first question in today's Gospel, where Jesus asks his disciples: "Who do you say that I am?". Peter's answer is loud and clear: "You are the Christ", in other words the Messiah, the consecrated one of God, sent to save his People. Therefore Peter and the other Apostles, unlike the majority, believe not only that Jesus is a great teacher or a prophet but far more. They have faith: they believe that God is present and active in him. However, directly after this profession of faith when Jesus announces openly for the first time that he must suffer and be killed, Peter himself opposes the prospect of suffering and death. Jesus must then rebuke him sternly, to make him understand that it is not enough to believe that he is God but that, impelled by charity, it is necessary to follow him on the same path, that of the Cross. Jesus did not come to teach us philosophy but to show us a way, indeed the way that leads to life.

This way is love which is an expression of true faith. If someone loves his neighbour with a pure and generous heart it means that he truly knows God. If instead someone says he has faith but does not love his brethren, he is not a true believer. God does not dwell within him. St James clearly affirms this in the Second Reading of this Sunday's Mass: "Faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead". In this regard I would like to cite a passage from St John Chrysostom, one of the great Fathers of the Church, whom the liturgical calendar invites us to commemorate tomorrow. In commenting precisely on the verse from the Letter of James quoted above, he writes: "A person moreover may have a righteous faith in the Father and in the Son, as in the Holy Spirit, but if he does not have a righteous life, his faith will not serve him for salvation. Therefore, when you read in the Gospel: "This is eternal life, that they know you as the one true God", do not think that this verse suffices to save us: a most pure life and conduct are essential".

Dear friends, on Tuesday we shall be celebrating the Feast of the Triumph of the Cross and the following day, that of Our Lady of Sorrows. The Virgin Mary, who believed in the word of the Lord, did not lose her faith in God when she saw her Son rejected, abused and crucified. Rather she remained beside Jesus, suffering and praying, until the end. And she saw the radiant dawn of his Resurrection. Let us learn from her to witness to our faith with a life of humble service, ready to personally pay the price of staying faithful to the Gospel of love and truth, certain that nothing that we do will be lost.

## CONFESSION

A reminder that Confessions are heard for half an hour before all Masses, or by simply making an appointment with Fr Alan. Confession opens the door to all the other Sacraments, and strengthens our closeness to the Lord.

## THIS WEEK!

### LONDON EUCHARISTIC OCTAVE: 11<sup>TH</sup> – 19<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

The International Eucharistic Congress took place last week in Budapest. Travel restrictions made it difficult for there to be a large British contingent there, and as such, this week we are celebrating a Eucharistic Octave here in London, organised by several of the London Parishes to celebrate our Eucharistic Lord. The week will begin yesterday with a Pontifical Mass, celebrated by His Eminence, Cardinal Nichols. We want to thank him most warmly for his presence with us.

During the remainder of the week, there will be a Mass here at Corpus Christi every evening at **6:30pm**. These Masses will encompass the Catholicity of the Catholic Church, and will include Mass in the various forms of the Roman Rite, the Ordinariate Use and the Ukrainian Divine Liturgy. There will also be a Requiem Mass for all those who have died from Covid-19. The week will close on next **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September** with a grand **Eucharistic Procession at 3:30pm**, departing from Our Lady of the Assumption, **Warwick Street**, and heading towards St James, Spanish Place, via Farm Street and the Ukrainian Cathedral.

Full details can be found at [catholiclondon.org](http://catholiclondon.org) Please do come along, and let us truly celebrate the richness of our Catholic Faith, as well as honour our Eucharistic Lord.

### SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament Mass, with Adoration and Benediction will be on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 6:30pm**. The Masses are offered for Sodality members, and members receive a monthly newsletter, as well as a Sodality badge. To find out more and become a member, visit [sodality.co.uk](http://sodality.co.uk)

### THE ASSISTED DYING BILL

Bishop John Sherrington has written an open letter inviting Catholics to pray for the defeat of the Assisted Dying Bill to be debated in the House of Lords in October. It encourages us to write to peers at the House of Lords stating the reasons why we oppose this legislation and particularly explain from personal experience the reasons why this change in the law should be opposed. Please read this letter attached to this newsletter in full.

### 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) If you would like to buy Sanctuary Lamps, please be aware that there is a bit of a wait to have them appear in the newsletter – but they will be there ASAP!

### MASS INTENTIONS

The Mass book is full now until **January 2022**. If you have any dates that you would particularly like to book for next year, please get them in as early as possible to avoid disappointment. Since the introduction of the live stream, we are getting many more Mass intentions coming through, so the book does fill up much faster than it used to. You can book Masses by using the envelopes at the back of the church or via the website at [maidenlane.org.uk/intentions](http://maidenlane.org.uk/intentions)

### SICK AND RETIRED WESTMINSTER CLERGY

Another request for your prayers please: for the Sick and Retired Priests of this Diocese. There are quite a number, and I know they would really appreciate you praying for them.

**Our sick parishioners and friends:** Christos Hana, Philip Barney, Donna Webb, 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:** James Young, Neemat Abbass, Giovanna Proto, Concetta Wager, Nellie Goodwin, Marlis Okeke, HRH The Prince Philip, Paul Coleman, Nancy McWilliams, Virginia Maria Vaz, Fr Kidane Lebasi, Mgr Mark Langham, 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