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CORPUS CHRISTI

THE DIOCESAN SHRINE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

OCTOBER – MONTH DEDICATED TO
THE HOLY ROSARY



✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – 31ST OCTOBER 2021 ALL SAINTS

SUNDAY 31ST

✠ ALL SAINTS

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

*Ps. Week 3
Hilda Savino
Fr Hezruk Shroff's Intentions*

MONDAY 1ST NOVEMBER

ALL SAINTS – VOTIVE

8.00 am Low Mass – Extraordinary Form *Colin Crowe – sick*
12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass *Pro Populo*
5.00 pm Holy Hour
6.30 pm High Mass – Extraordinary Form *Dympna & Gerry – Intentions*

TUESDAY 2ND

THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

ALL SOULS' DAY

8.00 am Mass – Extraordinary Form *Jim Ryan RIP*
1.05 pm Mass *Holy Souls in Purgatory*
6.30 pm Sung Mass in Latin *Holy Father's Intentions*

WEDNESDAY 3RD

ST WINIFRIDE, VIRGIN

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass *Holy Souls in Purgatory*
5.00 pm Holy Hour
7.00 pm Corpus Christi Prayer Group

THURSDAY 4TH

ST CHARLES BORROMEIO, BISHOP

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass *Holy Souls in Purgatory*
6.30 pm **Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament Mass** *Sodality Members*

FRIDAY 5TH

FERIA – VOTIVE MASS OF THE SACRED HEART

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass *Holy Souls in Purgatory*
5.00 pm Holy Hour

SATURDAY 6TH

FERIA

5.00 pm Exposition
6.00 pm Vigil Mass *Pro Populo*

SUNDAY 7TH

✠ 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9.30 am Mass *Maureen Goodey & Kathleen Tappin RIP*
11.30 am Sung Mass in Latin *Derry Horan RIP*
5.00 pm Holy Hour

THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

Today we have the joy of celebrating the Solemnity of All Saints. This feast day helps us to reflect on the double horizon of humanity, which we symbolically express with the words “earth” and “heaven”: the earth represents the journey of history, heaven eternity, the fullness of life in God. And so this feast day helps us to think about the Church in its dual dimension: the Church journeying in time and the Church that celebrates the never-ending feast, the heavenly Jerusalem. These two dimensions are united by the reality of the “Communion of Saints”: a reality that begins here on earth and that reaches its fulfilment in heaven.

On earth, the Church is the beginning of this mystery of communion that unites humanity, a mystery totally centred on Jesus Christ: it is he who introduced this new dynamic to mankind, a movement that leads towards God and at the same time towards unity, towards peace in its deepest sense. Jesus Christ — says the Gospel of John — died “to gather into one the children of God who are scattered abroad”, and his work continues in the Church which is inseparably “one”, “holy” and “catholic”. Being a Christian, being part of the Church means being open to this communion, like a seed that dies in the ground, germinates and sprouts upwards, toward heaven. The Saints — those proclaimed by the Church and whom we celebrate today and also those known only to God — have lived this dynamic intensely. In each of them, in a very personal way, Christ made himself present, thanks to his Spirit which acts through Scripture and the Sacraments. In fact, being united to Christ, in the Church, does not negate one's personality, but opens it, transforms it with the power of love, and confers on it, already here on earth, an eternal dimension. In essence, it means being conformed to the image of the Son of God, fulfilling the plan of God who created man in his own image and likeness. But this insertion in Christ also opens us — as I said — to communion with all the other members of his Mystical Body which is the Church, a communion that is perfect in “Heaven”, where there is no isolation, no competition or separation. In today's feast, we have a foretaste of the beauty of this life fully open to the gaze of love of God and neighbour, in which we are sure to reach God in each other and each other in God. With this faith-filled hope we honour all the Saints, and we prepare to commemorate the faithful departed tomorrow. In the Saints we see the victory of love over selfishness and death: we see that following Christ leads to life, eternal life, and gives meaning to the present, every moment that passes, because it is filled with love and hope. Only faith in eternal life makes us truly love history and the present, but without attachment, with the freedom of the pilgrim, who loves the earth because his heart is set on Heaven. May the Virgin Mary obtain for us the grace to believe firmly in eternal life and feel ourselves in true communion with our deceased loved ones.

SEVEN DAY LAMPS

Are available at the back of the church for £5, or online at maidenlane.org.uk/lamps If you would like to donate towards the Sanctuary lamps, you can do so online too.

SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament Mass, with Adoration and Benediction, is on **this coming Thursday 4th November at 6:30pm**. This month's guest preacher is **Fr Marcus Holden**, who is the Parish Priest of St Bede's, Clapham Park. To find out more about the Sodality and to become a member, visit sodality.co.uk

NOVEMBER HOLY SOULS

November - the month of the Holy Souls – begins next Monday. Throughout November, we will be offering at least three Masses a week for the **Holy Souls in Purgatory**. You can have your departed relatives and friends remembered at the Altar at these Masses by adding their names to the list by simply filling out the form on our website, or one of the forms at the back of the church. Visit maidenlane.org.uk/holysouls to make your offering today!

ALL SOULS INDULGENCES

An indulgence, applicable only to the souls in Purgatory, is granted to the faithful, who devoutly visit a cemetery and pray, even if only mentally, for the departed. The indulgence is plenary – each day from the first to the eighth of November; on other days of the year it is partial. A plenary indulgence is granted to the faithful, who on the day dedicated to the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, 2nd November, (as well as on the Sunday preceding or following, and on All Saints' Day) piously visit a church. In visiting the church it is required that one *Our Father* and the *Creed* be recited. To acquire a plenary indulgence it is necessary also to fulfil the following three conditions: sacramental Confession, Eucharistic communion, and prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father. The three conditions may be fulfilled several days before or after the visit; it is, however, fitting that communion be received and the prayer for the intention of the Holy Father be said on the same day as the visit. A plenary indulgence can be acquired only once in the course of the day.

Changes for 2021! Following a decree of the 27th October, the Apostolic Penitentiary has allowed these indulgences to be gained on any and every day throughout the month of November, and not just the first eight days. If you are housebound, you can also acquire the indulgence by praying for the dead before an image of Our Lord or Our Lady, so long as you have the intention to fulfil the conditions as soon as you are able. Get praying!

CHANGES TO VIRGIN MONEY GIVING

You may have already heard that Virgin Money Giving – the online donation platform used on our website – is to close in November 2021. From **30th November**, anyone who makes regular monthly donations will have their payments cancelled automatically by Virgin Money Giving. Alternative arrangements for paying for candles and Mass intentions online will be made and the website will be updated accordingly with new payment options as soon as necessary. In the meantime, please continue to use Virgin Money until the 30th November.

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. maidenlane.org.uk/intentions

Our sick parishioners and friends: Brona Lynch, Sheena Colman, Christos Hana, Philip Barney, Donna Webb, Christopher Bronne, Sandra Jones, Velrich Fernandes, Kee Ow Peng, Maria Jessiman, 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: Sir David Amess, Richard Canon Hearn, Amarilde Pellegrini, James Young, Neemat Abbass, Giovanna Proto, Concetta Wager, Nellie Goodwin, Marlis Okeke, HRH The Prince Philip, Paul Colman, Nancy McWilliams, Virginia Maria Vaz, Fr Kidane Lebasi, Mgr Mark Langham, Mary Quinlan, Larinka Wright, Claus Tenzler, Mgr Frederick Canon Miles, Bill Tomlinson, Mgr John Klyberg, Christiane Brown