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Thanksgiving to Our Lady (PK)

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CORPUS CHRISTI THE DIOCESAN SHRINE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

FEBRUARY – MONTH DEDICATED TO
THE HOLY FAMILY

✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – 6TH FEBRUARY 2022 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 6TH

✠ 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9.30 am Mass
11.30 am Sung Mass in Latin

*Ps. Week 1
Michael Ryan RIP – Anniversary
Holy Souls in Purgatory*

MONDAY 7TH

FERIA

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
No Holy Hour today
6.30 pm Mass – 1962 Missal

Aldwell Family

TUESDAY 8TH

ST JOSEPHINE BAKHITA

No public Mass today. Church open for prayer. *Selina J Lo Neng Fong – sick*

WEDNESDAY 9TH

FERIA

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass

Gary Aldwell

THURSDAY 10TH

ST SCHOLASTICA, VIRGIN

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass

Benefactors of Corpus Christi

FRIDAY 11TH

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
6.30 pm Mass – 1962 Missal

(Friday Abstinence)

*Jason Ian Evans – sick
Good Counsel Network*

SATURDAY 12TH

FERIA

5.00 pm Exposition
6.00 pm Vigil Mass

Nicefra & Simon Nowak – Intentions

SUNDAY 13TH

✠ 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9.30 am Mass
11.30 am Sung Mass in Latin

*Ps. Week 2
Pro Populo
Remo Dipre RIP*

Confessions: Confessions are heard for half an hour before all Masses, or by making an appointment with the Rector.

Exposition & Benediction: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place each weekday, except Tuesdays from 12noon – 1pm, and every day, except Tuesdays, from 5pm – 6pm.

PUT OUT INTO THE DEEP

In today's liturgy, the Gospel according to Luke presents the story of the call of the first disciples, with an original version that differs from that of the other two Synoptic Gospels, Matthew and Mark. The call, in fact, was preceded by the teaching of Jesus to the crowd and a miraculous catch of fish, carried out by the will of the Lord. In fact, while the crowd rushes to the shore of Lake Gennesaret to hear Jesus, he sees Simon discouraged because he has caught nothing all night. First Jesus asks to get into Simon's boat in order to preach to the people standing a short distance from the shore; then, having finished preaching, he commands Simon to go out into the deep with his friends and cast their nets. Simon obeys, and they catch an incredible amount of fish. In this way, the evangelist shows how the first disciples followed Jesus, trusting him, relying on his Word, all the while accompanied by miraculous signs. We note that, before this sign, Simon addresses Jesus, calling him "Master", while afterwards he addresses him as "Lord". This is the pedagogy of God's call, which does not consider the quality of those who are chosen so much as their faith, like that of Simon that says: "At your word, I will let down the nets".

The image of the fish refers to the Church's mission. St Augustine says in this regard, "Twice the disciples went out to fish at the Lord's command: once before the Passion and the other time after the Resurrection. In the two scenes of fishing, the entire Church is depicted: the Church as it is now and as it will be after the resurrection of the dead. Now it gathers together a multitude, impossible to number, comprising the good and the bad; after the resurrection, it will include only the good". The experience of Peter, certainly unique, is nonetheless representative of the call of every apostle of the Gospel, who must never be discouraged in proclaiming Christ to all men, even to the ends of the world. However, today's text is a reflection on the vocation to the priesthood and the consecrated life. It is the work of God. The human person is not the author of his own vocation but responds to the divine call. Human weakness should not be afraid if God calls. It is necessary to have confidence in his strength, which acts in our poverty; we must rely more and more on the power of his mercy, which transforms and renews.

Dear brothers and sisters, may this Word of God revive in us and in our Christian communities courage, confidence and enthusiasm in proclaiming and witnessing to the Gospel. Do not let failures and difficulties lead to discouragement: it is our task to cast our nets in faith — the Lord will do the rest. We must trust, too, in the intercession of the Virgin Mary, the Queen of Apostles. Well aware of her own smallness, she answered the Lord's call with total confidence: "Here I am". With her maternal help, let us renew our willingness to follow Jesus, Master and Lord.

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.

NO HOLY HOUR UNTIL 14TH FEBRUARY

Please note that there is no Holy Hour now until 14th February.

CATHOLIC HISTORY WALKS

The next Catholic History Walk will be on **Monday 7th February at 6pm**. This will depart from Corpus Christi and will explore Covent Garden, The Strand, the Savoy Chapel, and the story of St Clement Danes. For more info, visit catholichistorywalks.com

POOR BOX THANK YOU!

Many of you contribute during the course of the year to the Poor Box / St Anthony's Bread at the back of the church. Last year, the total money collected from that box came to a significant **£2,335**, which we have sent to the **Companions of the Order of Malta** to support the work they do feeding and clothing the needy and the homeless. They run a breakfast kitchen at our neighbouring parish of Warwick Street, and so this money will go a long way to helping those in the local area. Thank you!

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

The annual Mass in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes on the World Day of the Sick will take place at **2pm on Saturday 12th February** in Westminster Cathedral.

SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Sodality Mass, followed by Adoration and Benediction, will be on **Thursday 3rd March at 6:30pm**, and this month's guest preacher will be **Fr Mark Woodruff**, who is the Chairman of the Society of St John Chrysostom. Sodality Masses are offered for the intentions of members each month, and there is a monthly newsletter sent out to members. To find out more about the Sodality and to become a member, visit sodality.co.uk

A SHRINE TO BL CARLO ACUTIS

Thank you to everyone who has so kindly donated towards the Shrine of Bl Carlo Acutis. Thanks to your generosity, we have now reached our target of **£7000** to cover the costs of making, shipping and installing the shrine, as well as import duty. Ferdinand Stuflesser 1875, who will carve the Shrine, have now begun the design stage of the work. Donors' names will be included in an inscription on the reverse of the shrine and there will be a Mass offered for their intentions every month – usually on the second Thursday. I'm delighted that Bishop Nicholas Hudson has very kindly agreed to come and bless and Shrine, once it is installed. There can be no doubt that Bl Carlo has a great work to perform in encouraging the young and old alike in a renewed love for Our Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

To find out more about Blessed Carlo Acutis and his remarkable life, have a look at the noticeboard at the back of the church, or you can buy a book on his life for **£6** after Mass.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

If you'd like to talk about your spiritual life, as a one-off or more regularly, please be in touch with me. If I can, I'd be delighted to help you.

MASS INTENTIONS

The Mass book is full now until **April 2022**. If you have any dates that you would particularly like Masses for, please get them in ASAP. 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, John Lynch, Ann Gorman, Janet Seeley

Of your charity – please pray for those who have died recently: Muriel Jane Humphries, Sr Jolanta, OCarm., Heather Bashford, Fr David Irwin, Jose Antonio & Bertha, Sir David Amess, Richard Canon Hearn, Amarilde Pellegrini, Concetta Wager, Nellie Goodwin, Marlis Okeke, Paul Colman, Nancy McWilliams, Virginia Maria Vaz, Fr Kidane Lebasi, Mgr Mark Langham, Mary Quinlan, Larinka Wright, Claus Tenzler, Mgr Frederick Canon Miles, Christiane Brown