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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 – 17TH SEPTEMBER 2023 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 17TH

✠ 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9.30 am Said Mass in English

11.30 am Sung Mass in Latin

Ps. Week 4

Pro Populo

Teddy Disson-Meade RIP

MONDAY 18TH

FERIA

12 noon Exposition

1.05 pm Mass

6.30 pm Mass – 1962 Missal

Giovanni Mosconi RIP

TUESDAY 19TH

ST JANUARIUS, BISHOP & MARTYR

Private Mass offered for *Marian, Jack, Audrey & Matthew Knight – Intentions*

WEDNESDAY 20TH

ST ANDREW KIM TAE-GŎN, PRIEST,

PAUL CHŎNG HA-SANG, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

12 noon Exposition

1.05 pm Mass

Lucia Mosconi RIP

THURSDAY 21ST

ST MATTHEW, APOSTLE & EVANGELIST

12 noon Exposition

1.05 pm Mass

Patricia Ann Murphy – Intentions

FRIDAY 22ND

FERIA

12 noon Exposition

1.05 pm Mass

(Friday Abstinence)

Martha Perkins – Intentions

SATURDAY 23RD

ST PIUS OF PIETRELCINA, PRIEST

5.00 pm Exposition

6.00 pm Vigil Mass

Craig Cambridge RIP

SUNDAY 24TH

✠ 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9.30 am Said Mass in English

11.30 am Sung Mass in Latin

Ps. Week 1

Traute Pollock

Pro Populo



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, which includes Vespers, Rosary and Benediction

Eucharistic Prayer Group: Young Adults Prayer Group each Wednesday 7pm in Church with Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary. Contact Annette: cpguk@gmail.com

STAY WITH US, LORD!

Last Thursday, 14 September, we celebrated the liturgical Feast of the Triumph of the Cross. In this Shrine dedicated to the Eucharist this feast acquires a particular significance: it invites us to meditate on the deep and indissoluble bond that unites the Eucharistic Celebration and the mystery of the Cross.

Every Holy Mass, in fact, actualizes the redeeming sacrifice of Christ. "Every priest who celebrates Holy Mass", our beloved Pope St John Paul II wrote in the *Encyclical Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, "together with the Christian community which takes part in it, is led back in spirit" to Golgotha and to the "hour" of his death on the Cross.

The Eucharist is therefore the memorial of the entire Paschal Mystery: the passion, death, descent into hell, Resurrection and Ascension into Heaven; and the Cross is the moving manifestation of the act of infinite love with which the Son of God saved humankind and the world from sin and death.

For this reason, the sign of the Cross is the fundamental act of our prayer, of Christian prayer.

Making the sign of the Cross – as we do at the very start and end of Mass – means saying a visible and public "yes" to the One who died and rose for us, to God who in the humility and weakness of his love is the Almighty, stronger than all the power and intelligence of the world.

After the consecration of Holy Mass, the assembly of the faithful, aware of being in the real presence of the Crucified and Risen Christ, exclaims: "Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again". With the eyes of faith, the Community recognizes the living Jesus by the signs of his passion and with Thomas can repeat, full of wonder: "My Lord and my God!". The Eucharist is a mystery of death and of glory like the Crucifixion, which is not an accident on the journey but the way by which Christ entered into his glory and reconciled the whole of humanity, overcoming all enmity. This is why the liturgy invites us to pray with trusting hope: *Mane nobiscum, Domine!* Stay with us, Lord, who has redeemed the world with your Holy Cross!

Mary, present on Calvary beneath the Cross, is also present with the Church and as Mother of the Church in each one of our Eucharistic Celebrations. No one better than she, therefore, can teach us to understand and live Holy Mass with faith and love, uniting ourselves with Christ's redeeming sacrifice. When we receive Holy Communion, like Mary and united to her, we too clasp the wood that Jesus with his love transformed into an instrument of salvation, and pronounce our "Amen", our "Yes" to Love, crucified and risen.

SEVEN DAY LAMPS

Are available at the back of the church for £6, or online at maidenlane.org.uk/lamps. Why not have the lamps before Our Lord burn for someone you care about?

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

The annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham, led by the Cardinal, will take place on **Saturday, 23rd September**.

MASS IN THE BYZANTINE-SLAVIC RITE

On **30th September at 10am**, there will be a celebration of the Mass according to the Byzantine-Slavic Rite, organized by The Society for Studies on Comparative Liturgy (APEHLC) as an introduction to the richness of this liturgical tradition.

The Liturgy will be celebrated by Fr. Gabriel Diaz and sung by the "St. Cyril and St. Methodius Choir", and placed under the patronage of these Saints, "apostles and teachers of all Slavic peoples". The celebration will be in Old Slavonic, the language traditionally used in the Slavic regions, both for the Byzantine and even for the Roman rite (Glagolitic Mass), for over 1,000 years. The celebration will begin at 10am with the preparation of the Priest (penitential prayers before access to the altar) and of the gifts (first part of the offertory) during the psalmody of the Office of Terce. The Mass itself will follow, without interruption, approx. 20 or 25 minutes later.

SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament Mass will be on **Thursday 5th October at 6:30pm**. Our guest preacher on that day will be **Jeremy Canon Trood**, Chancellor of the Diocese of Westminster. To find out more about the Sodality and to become a member, visit sodality.co.uk

BECOMING A CATHOLIC

Are you thinking about becoming a Catholic? Please do – don't hold back; it'll be the best thing you ever did. You'll be moving from the wilderness into the home that Jesus established for you while He was still on earth: The Catholic Church. If you're looking for the Truth, revealed to us by Jesus, who is the Truth sent from above by the Father, and the only One who can set us free – the Catholic Church is where you'll find it. If you'd like to come and talk about it, then please do get in touch. I'd be delighted to meet up with you.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Would you like some help to reflect on your Spiritual Life – either as a one-off of something more regular? If you would, then please do get in touch – I'd be delighted to help you if I could. This would be from October onwards.

MASS INTENTIONS

The earliest dates available are now in **January 2024**. There are no more Masses available this year! If you have dates that you particularly would like a Mass offered, please get them to us as early as possible to avoid disappointment. To do this, you can use the envelopes at the back of the church or online at maidenlane.org.uk/intentions

ROSARY FEAST & VESTMENT EXHIBITION

The Dominican community at the Rosary Shrine, Haverstock Hill, are concluding their 800th anniversary celebrations with a Solemn Mass at **10am on Saturday, 7th October 2023** followed by a reception in the Priory, and a special exhibition of historical vestments from the Dominican Sisters' Convent of Stone.

CONFESSION

Do make use of this life-giving Sacrament; none of us can fully live our Catholic life without it, although many try. Let us graciously accept this great gift from God.

Our sick parishioners and friends: Natalie Williams, Douglas Adams, Norma Stanes, Phil Bawden, Almudena Dagn, 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, 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:** John Hughes, Fr Mark James Leenane, William Blake, Eve Schreiber, Soumaya Tabet, Eugene Owen Monahan, Thomas Hunt, Joy Fleischmann, George Cardinal Pell, Pope Benedict XVI, Veronica Davies, Vivien May Adams, Irene Walters, Gerard Joseph Waddingham KGCHS, Fr Sir Charles Dilke, Bt, Fr Jeremy Davies, Crispin Harrison CR, HM Queen Elizabeth II,