

RECTORY

1 Maiden Lane, Covent Garden,
LONDON, WC2E 7NB
020 7836 4700

THE ACTORS' & POLICE CHURCH

National Church for Catholic Actors
& the London Catholic Police Guild

RECTOR

Fr Alan I P Robinson
a.i.p.robinson@btinternet.com

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

Alex Dimminger
maidenlane@rcdow.org.uk

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Edward Kay

SAFEGUARDING

Sabina Leigh
coventgardensg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

PARISH WEBSITE

www.maidenlane.org.uk

*This parish is part of the WRCDT
Registered Charity Number 233699*

DONATIONS

maidenlane.org.uk/
support
or scan the QR Code

*Thank you for your
kindness and generosity.*



THE LAMPS ARE BURNING FOR:

SANCTUARY LAMPS

Holly Armstrong RIP

LADY CHAPEL

Private Intention – BK

SACRED HEART CHAPEL

Private Intention

*To have the lamps burning for your intentions,
visit maidenlane.org.uk/lamps*

FIND US ONLINE



LIVE STREAM
maidenlane.org.uk/live



FACEBOOK
[corpuschristimaidenlane](https://www.facebook.com/corpuschristimaidenlane)



INSTAGRAM
[@corpuschristishrine](https://www.instagram.com/corpuschristishrine)



WEB
maidenlane.org.uk



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 – 22ND SEPTEMBER 2024 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 22ND

✠ 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9.30 am Said Mass in English
11.30 am Sung Mass in Latin

*Ps Wk 1
Traute Pollock
Marina Dipre RIP*

MONDAY 23RD

ST PIUS OF PIETRELCINA, PRIST

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
6.30 pm Mass (1962 Missal)

Egel Noonan – Intentions

TUESDAY 24TH

OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

No Public Mass. Private Mass offered for

Private Intention – BR

WEDNESDAY 25TH

FERIA

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass

Private Intention – BR

THURSDAY 26TH

Ss COSMAS & DAMIAN, MARTYRS

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass

Mgr Augustine Hoey RIP – Anniversary

(Friday Abstinence)

FRIDAY 27TH

ST VINCENT DE PAUL, PRIEST

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

Private Intention – BR

SATURDAY 28TH

ST WENCESLAUS, MARTYR

5.00 pm Exposition
6.00 pm Vigil Mass

Holy Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY 29TH

✠ 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

*Ps Wk 2
Pro Populo
George & Diane May 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, 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: ccpguk@gmail.com

THE LOGIC OF GOD

On our way through St Mark's Gospel last Sunday we entered the second part, that is, the last journey towards Jerusalem and towards the culmination of Jesus' mission. After Peter, on the disciples' behalf, had professed his faith in him, recognizing him as the Messiah, Jesus began to speak openly of what was going to happen to him at the end. The Evangelist records three successive predictions of his death and resurrection in chapters 8, 9 and 10. In them Jesus announces ever more clearly the destiny that awaits him and the intrinsic need for it. This Sunday's passage contains the second of these announcements. Jesus says: "The Son of man" — an expression that designates himself — will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him; and when he is killed, after three days he will rise". "But" the disciples "did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to ask him".

In fact, on reading this part of Mark's account the great inner distance that existed between Jesus and his disciples is clearly apparent; they are, so to speak, on two different wavelengths so that the Teacher's discourses are either not understood, or are only superficially understood. Straight after professing his faith in Jesus, the Apostle Peter takes the liberty of reproaching the Lord because he predicted that he was to be rejected and killed.

After the second prediction of the passion, the disciples began to discuss with one another who was the greatest among them, and after the third, James and John asked Jesus to sit one at his right hand and one at his left when he would come into glory. However, there are various other signs of this gap: for example, the disciples do not succeed in healing an epileptic boy whom Jesus subsequently heals with the power of prayer; and when children are brought to Jesus the disciples admonish them; Jesus on the contrary is indignant, has them stay and says that only those who are like them will enter the Kingdom of God.

What does all this tell us? it reminds us that, the logic of God is always "different" from ours, just as God himself revealed through the mouth of Isaiah: "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, / neither are your ways my ways". For this reason following the Lord always demands of human beings — of all of us — a profound con-version, a change in our manner of thinking and living, it demands that the heart be opened to listening, to let ourselves be illuminated and transformed from within.

A key point in which God and man differ is pride: in God there is no pride, for he is wholly fullness and is wholly oriented to loving and giving life instead in we human beings pride is deeply rooted and requires constant vigilance and purification. We, who are small, aspire to appear great, to be among the first, whereas God who is truly great is not afraid of humbling himself and putting himself last. And the Virgin Mary is perfectly "in tune" with God: let us call upon her with trust, so that she may teach us to follow Jesus faithfully on the path of love and humility.

NO HOLY HOUR THIS WEEK

Apologies, but there will be no Holy Hour this week.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Now the holidays are over, we are preparing to begin Catechesis for those adults who wish to be Baptised, Confirmed or Received into the life of the Catholic Church. Please do get in touch.

JERUSALEM BALL

The Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre Jerusalem Ball will take place on **Saturday 12th October from 6.30pm** at The Gladstone Library, 2 Whitehall Court. The Order of the Holy Sepulchre supports the Christian presence in the Holy Land through prayer, pilgrimage and financial assistance. The Ball is one of the Order's principal fundraising events of the year and takes place at a time when the Christians in the Holy Land are in greatest need. For further details and a link to the booking form, please see jerusalemball.org.uk

CHURCH CLEANING

We will be cleaning the church on **Saturday 12th October** from 9am in preparation for the Cardinal's visit for our 150th anniversary. Please come and help if you are able. Many hands make light work!

SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament Mass with Adoration and Benediction will be on **Thursday 3rd October at 6:30pm**. This month's guest preacher will be **Fr William Johnstone**. To find out more about the Sodality, and to become a member, visit sodality.co.uk

150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE OPENING OF CORPUS CHRISTI

On **Sunday 20th October** we will be celebrating 150 years since this Shrine church was opened in 1874 by Cardinal Manning. To mark the occasion, His Eminence, Vincent Cardinal Nichols will be celebrating the **11.30am** Sung Mass in Latin here on that day. Please do come and celebrate our 'sesquicentennial' anniversary!

MASS INTENTIONS

The earliest dates available are now in **February 2025**. To book a Mass, you can use the envelopes at the back of the church or online at maidenlane.org.uk/intentions If you have any dates next year that you would particularly like, please get them in as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

NEW LECTIONARY – 1ST DECEMBER

From the First Sunday of Advent on 1st December, there will be a new edition of the Lectionary for Mass. This new Lectionary uses the English Standard Version – Catholic Edition of the Bible with psalm texts taken from Abbey Psalms and Canticles. There won't be any changes to the responses we say at Mass, only to the wording of the readings. If you subscribe to *Magnificat*, then your new editions will be updated accordingly. If you have a personal hand Missal, however, you will need to buy a new one from CTS. These cost £19.95 for a Sunday Missal and a Daily Missal will be available next year. Buy online at tinyurl.com/NewLectionary

CONFESSION

Confessions are heard for half an hour before all Masses, or upon request.

SEVEN DAY LAMPS

Are available at the back of the church for £6, or online at maidenlane.org.uk/lamps.

Our sick parishioners and friends: Alain de Jager, Mieko Madenokoji, 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, Brian Keenan, Sid Shepherd, Terry Miles, John Hughes, Nicholas Pollock, Fr Patrick Hayward, Traute Pollock, Noël Tobin, Geoff Smale, David Michael Barrett, John Lynch, **Of your charity – please pray for those who have died recently:** Holly Armstrong, Fr Michael Gallagher O.Praem., Lola Pinagli, Sydney Byrne, Sr Carmel of Jesus, Fr Francis Wahle, Fr John Warnaby, Fr Michael Daley,