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Mother Liu
Dr Timothy I Young RIP
Irene Lee RIP
Privat Intentions

LADY CHAPEL
Private Intention

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Mother Liu

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CORPUS CHRISTI THE DIOCESAN SHRINE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

MAY – MONTH DEDICATED TO
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – 18TH MAY 2025 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY 18TH

✠ FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

*Ps Wk 1
Patrick Slattery RIP
Claus Tenzler RIP – Anniversary*

MONDAY 19TH

EASTER FERIA

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour
6.30 pm Mass (1962 Missal) – St Dunstan

Jacqueline Lee Bouvier RIP – Anniversary

TUESDAY 20TH

ST BERNADINE OF SIENA, PRIEST

No Public Mass today. Private Mass for

Private Intention – MT

WEDNESDAY 21ST

ST CHRISTOPHER MAGALLENES, PRIEST, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

Leong Family Intentions – Paul, Emily, Emma & Jeremy

THURSDAY 22ND

ST RITA OF CASCIA, RELIGIOUS

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

Anna Maria Agnolet RIP

FRIDAY 23RD

EASTER FERIA

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

(Friday Abstinence)

Therese Douglas RIP

SATURDAY 24TH

EASTER FERIA

5.00 pm Exposition
6.00 pm Vigil Mass

Filipe Marcelino – Intentions

SUNDAY 25TH

✠ SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

*Ps Wk 2
Pro Populo
Tadzjik Sroka 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

A NEW COMMANDMENT

We are in the Easter Season which is the time of Jesus' glorification. The Gospel we hear this week reminds us that this glorification is brought about in the Passion. In the Paschal Mystery, passion and glorification are closely bound together and form an indissoluble unity. When Judas leaves the Upper Room to carry out his scheme of betrayal that will lead to the Master's death, Jesus says: "now is the Son of man glorified, and in him God is glorified": the glorification of Jesus begins at that very moment. The Evangelist John makes it quite clear: he does not in fact say that Jesus was glorified only after his Passion, through his Resurrection; rather he shows that precisely with the Passion his glorification began. In it Jesus manifests his glory, which is the glory of love, which gives itself totally. He loved the Father, doing his will to the very end, with a perfect gift of self; he loved humanity, giving his life for us.

Thus he was already glorified in his Passion and God was glorified in him. But the Passion as a very real and profound expression of his love is only a beginning. This is why Jesus says that his glorification is also to come. Then, when he announces his departure from this world, the Lord gives his disciples a new commandment, as it were a testament, so that they might continue his presence among them in a new way: "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; even as I have loved you, that you also love one another". If we love each other, Jesus will continue to be present in our midst, to be glorified in this world. Jesus speaks of a "new commandment". But what is new about it? In the Old Testament, God had already given the commandment of love; but this commandment has become new now because Jesus makes a very important addition to it: "As I have loved you, that you also love one another". What is new is precisely this "loving as Jesus loved". All our loving is preceded by his love and refers to this love, it fits into this love and is achieved precisely through this love. The Old Testament did not present any model of love; it only formulated the precept of love. Instead, Jesus gave himself to us as a model and source of love a boundless, universal love that could transform all negative circumstances and all obstacles into opportunities to progress in love. And in the Saints we see the fulfilment of this love, always from the source of Jesus' love.

MASS INTENTIONS

The earliest dates available are now in **August 2025**. Book intentions online at maidenlane.org.uk/intentions The nearest Sunday Masses available, however are now in October.

SEVEN DAY LAMPS

Are available at the back of the church for £6, or online at maidenlane.org.uk/lamps. If you'd like to have the Sanctuary Lamps lit for a particular intention, you can get all seven for £30.

CONFESSION

Confessions are heard for half an hour before all Masses, or upon request. Going to Confession is one of the conditions that need to be fulfilled in order to obtain the Jubilee Plenary Indulgence. More information at maidenlanejubilee.co.uk

JUBILEE YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO ROME

A group of about 45 young people from around the Diocese will be making a pilgrimage to Rome later this year to be with the Holy Father for the Jubilee celebrations. They are trying to raise some money to help with the costs, and so next Sunday some of them will be selling various goods at the back of the church after Masses. All proceeds will go towards the costs of the trip. Please bring cash and your usual generosity!

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

The Ascension falls on **Thursday 29th May** and is a Holy Day of Obligation. There will be three Masses here on that day: 8am (1962), 1:05pm (said, English) and 6:30pm (sung, Latin).

SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament Mass with Adoration and Benediction will be on **Thursday 5th June at 6:30pm**, and the guest preacher will be **Fr Anthony Doe**, Spiritual Director at Allen Hall Seminary. To find out more about the Sodality, and to become a member, visit sodality.co.uk

2025 – HOLY YEAR OF JUBILEE

On the **first Saturday of the month at 11am**, there will be a particular sung Jubilee Mass here, the next being **Saturday 7th June**. These are a fantastic opportunity to obtain the Plenary Indulgence on offer during this year. For more information about the Jubilee and what's on here, visit maidenlanejubilee.co.uk

THE LONDON EUCHARISTIC OCTAVE 2025

We are delighted to once again be hosting the London Eucharistic Octave this year. The Octave will run from **Saturday 14th until Sunday 22nd June**. Each weekday that week, at 6:30pm, there will be a Mass according to the various rites and uses of the Catholic Church, including the Byzantine-Slavonic Rite, the Ukrainian Catholic Divine Liturgy, as well as the Ordinariate Use of the Roman Rite. In the midst of all of this, the annual *Quarant'Ore*, or Forty Hours' Devotion, will run from **Thursday 19th – Saturday 21st June**. The week will conclude with the Solemnity of Corpus Christi on **Sunday 22nd June** beginning at **11am**, when we will be welcoming the Abbot of Farnborough, Dom Cuthbert Brogan OSB to celebrate Mass.

To conclude, the Annual Corpus Christi Procession through London will depart from here at the end of Mass, to Warwick Street, where there will be a period of Adoration and the opportunity to purchase lunch locally, before departing Warwick Street heading to Spanish Place at 3:30pm. For full details of the Octave, visit catholiclondon.org

QUARANT'ORE / FORTY HOURS DEVOTION

The Annual *Quarant'Ore*, or Forty Hours, devotion will run from Thursday 19th – Saturday 21st June. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 7am – Midnight during this time. Our guest preacher at the opening Mass on 19th June at 6:30pm, the traditional feast of Corpus Christi, will be Mgr Philip Whitmore, Rector of St James's, Spanish Place. On Friday 20th June at 6:30pm, Fr Mark Elliott-Smith, Rector of Warwick St, will celebrate Mass in the Ordinariate Use.

You can buy candles to burn for your intentions during the Forty Hours, or submit your own prayer intentions, on our website at maidenlane.org.uk/forty You can also volunteer to spend an hour in church before the Blessed Sacrament through this link.

Our sick parishioners and friends: Alain de Jager, Mieko Madenokoji, Douglas Adams, Norma Stanes, Phil Bawden, Sheena Colman, Christos Hana, Christopher Bronne, Sandra Jones, Velrich Fernandes, Kee Ow Peng, Maria Jessiman, Marilyn Bruce-Mitford, Peter Noakes, Tony Pearce, Nicholas Pollock, Fr Patrick Hayward, Traute Pollock **Of your charity – please pray for those who have died recently:** Jan Skubisz, Pope Francis, Ann Luff, Sr Patricia of the Presentation, Alan Bettles, Fr David Barnes, Evelyn Watkin, Holly Armstrong, Fr Michael Gallagher O.Praem., Lola Pinagli, Sydney Byrne, Sr Carmel of Jesus, Fr Francis Wahle, Fr John Warnaby, Fr Michael Daley, Ann Slater, Ann Christine Leece, Johanna Sophia Pretorius, Pauline Lewis, Michael O'Toole, John Hughes, Fr Mark James Leenane, William Blake, Eve Schreiber,