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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 – 25TH MAY 2025 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY 25TH

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

*Ps Wk 2
Pro Populo
Tadzik Sroka RIP*

MONDAY 26TH – BANK HOLIDAY

ST PHILIP NERI, PRIEST

10.00 am Mass
6.30 pm Mass (1962 Missal) – St Augustine of England

George Parry – sick

TUESDAY 27TH

ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, BISHOP

No Public Mass today. Private Mass for *Van Kerrebroeck & Sonnevile Families*

WEDNESDAY 28TH

EASTER FERIA

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

Myrna Ducao – Birthday Intentions

THURSDAY 29TH

✠ THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

8.00 am Mass (1962 Missal)
12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Said Mass in English
5.00 pm Holy Hour
6.30 pm Sung Mass in Latin

Patrick McGovern RIP

Thomas Hunt RIP

Pro Populo

(Friday Abstinence)

FRIDAY 30TH

EASTER FERIA

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

Patricia Church RIP

SATURDAY 31ST

THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

5.00 pm Exposition
6.00 pm Vigil Mass

Holy Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY 1ST JUNE

✠ SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

*Ps Wk 3
Pro Populo
Ellen Doherty 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: Prayer Group each Wednesday 7pm in Church with Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary. Contact Annette: ccpguk@gmail.com

KEEP MY WORD

May is a month beloved and welcomed for many reasons. In our hemisphere, spring comes with a wealth of colourful flowers and normally, the climate is conducive to walks and excursions. For the Liturgy, May is always part of the Easter Season, the time of the “Alleluia”, of the revelation of Christ’s mystery in the light of the Resurrection and of our Paschal faith; and it is the time of awaiting the Holy Spirit who came down on the nascent Church powerfully at Pentecost.

The Church’s tradition of dedicating the month of May to the Virgin Mary harmonizes very well with both these contexts, the natural and the liturgical. Indeed, she is the most beautiful flower to have unfolded since the Creation, the “rose” that appeared in the fullness of time when God, by sending his Son, gave the world a new springtime. At the same time she is the humble and discreet protagonist of the first steps taken by the Christian community: Mary is its spiritual heart since her very presence among the disciples is a living memory of the Lord Jesus and a pledge of the gift of his Spirit.

This Sunday’s Gospel, taken from Chapter 14 of the Gospel according to St John, gives us an implicit spiritual portrait of the Virgin Mary when Jesus says: “Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him”. These words are addressed to the disciples but can be applied to a maximum degree precisely to the One who was the first and perfect disciple of Jesus. Mary, in fact, observed first and fully the words of her Son, showing that she loved him not only as a mother, but first of all as a humble and obedient handmaid. For this reason God the Father loved her and the Most Holy Trinity made its dwelling place in her. Furthermore, when Jesus promises his friends that the Holy Spirit will come to their aid to help them remember and deeply understand his every word, how can we not think of Mary who, in her heart, the temple of the Holy Spirit, pondered and interpreted faithfully all that her Son said and did? Thus already before Easter but especially after it the Mother of Jesus also became the Mother and model of the Church.

MASS INTENTIONS

The earliest dates available are now in **September 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

POSSESSION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

Today at 5pm Rome time, Pope Leo XIV will take possession of the Lateran Basilica – which is his Cathedral in Rome. Please be sure to pray for him!

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 this weekend 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.

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

The Ascension falls on **this coming 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:** John Ushe, 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,