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CORPUS CHRISTI THE DIOCESAN SHRINE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

AUGUST – MONTH DEDICATED TO
THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY



✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – 3RD AUGUST 2025 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 3RD

✠ 18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9.30 am Said Mass in English

Ps Wk 2

Leo Henderson RIP

11.30 am Said Mass in Latin

Maria Isabella & Antonio Barbuto RIP

MONDAY 4TH

ST JOHN VIANNEY, PRIEST

12 noon Exposition

1.05 pm Mass

Annie Antoinette RIP

6.30 pm Mass (1962 Missal) – St Dominic

TUESDAY 5TH

THE DEDICATION OF THE BASILICA OF ST MARY MAJOR

No Public Mass today. Private Mass for

Francois Dimminger RIP

WEDNESDAY 6TH

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

12 noon Exposition

1.05 pm Mass

Eugene Michael Jones & Family – Intentions

THURSDAY 7TH

ST SIXTUS, POPE, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

12 noon Exposition

1.05 pm Mass

Johnny Benson RIP

FRIDAY 8TH

ST DOMINIC, PRIEST

12 noon Exposition

1.05 pm Mass

Kathleen O'Dea – Intentions

SATURDAY 9TH

ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS, VIRGIN & MARTYR,

PATRON OF EUROPE

5.00 pm Exposition

6.00 pm Vigil Mass

Bernhard Tenzler RIP – Anniversary

SUNDAY 10TH

✠ 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9.30 am Said Mass in English

Ps Wk 3

Edie Moran RIP – Anniversary

11.30 am Said Mass in Latin

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

TEACH US TO PRAY

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus' teaching concerns, precisely, true wisdom and is introduced by one of the crowd: "Teacher, bid my brother divide the inheritance with me". In answering, Jesus puts him on guard against those who are influenced by the desire for earthly goods with the Parable of the Rich Fool who having put away for himself an abundant harvest stops working, uses up all he possesses, enjoying himself and even deceives himself into thinking he can keep death at an arm's length. However God says to him "Fool! This night your soul is required of you; and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?". The fool in the Bible, the one who does not want to learn from the experience of visible things, that nothing lasts for ever but that all things pass away, youth and physical strength, amenities and important roles. Making one's life depend on such an ephemeral reality is therefore foolishness. The person who trusts in the Lord, on the other hand, does not fear the adversities of life, nor the inevitable reality of death: he is the person who has acquired a wise heart, like the Saints.

In addressing our prayer to Mary Most Holy, I would like to remember other important occasions: yesterday it was possible to profit from the Indulgence known as the Portiuncula Indulgence or the "Pardon of Assisi" that St Francis obtained in 1216 from Pope Honorius III; Tuesday, 5 August, in commemorating the Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major, we will honour the Mother of God, acclaimed with this title at the Council of Ephesus in 431, and next Wednesday, the anniversary of Pope St Paul VI's death, we will celebrate the Feast of the Transfiguration. The date of 6th August, seen as crowned by summer light, was chosen to mean that the splendour of Christ's Face illuminates the whole world.

MASS INTENTIONS

The earliest dates available are now in **January 2026**. Book intentions online at maidenlane.org.uk/intentions If you would like dates in 2026 – get them in before they're booked!

CONFESSION

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CONTINUING THE JOURNEY

The Agency for Evangelisation has created an initiative called 'Continuing the Journey' to support new adult Catholics in their first year since being baptised or received into the Church. This is a series of events (some in-person, some online) to help them stay in contact with their parish, deepen their relationship with Jesus and the Church, grow in faith, discover useful resources and get to know other new Catholics. The next event is on **Saturday 13th September**, 10am-1pm in Vaughan House, Westminster. It will be on: 'Our story: God's story. How the Mass roots us in the Scriptures.' This session will be led by Fleur Dorrell (Biblical Apostolate and Faith & Formation Manager, Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales). Refreshments will be provided, but please note that this does not include lunch. Please email catadmin@rcdow.org.uk if you plan to attend.

SUMMER BREAK

During August, things wind down for the summer to give everyone a chance of a rest. The musicians are on a break, and sung Masses will resume in September. The 5pm Holy Hours will also be paused during August, resuming in September. I'd like to take this opportunity, however, to thank everyone for so much hard work over the last few months, as we have celebrated the Triduum and Easter, our Titular Feast and so much more. May you all have a well-deserved and restful summer!

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation and falls on **Friday 15th August**. There will be three Masses here that day: 8am (1962 Missal); 1:05pm (said, English); and 6:30pm (sung, Latin). Don't forget that by coming to Mass here, you can not only fulfil your obligation but also obtain the Plenary Indulgence available as a Jubilee church under the usual conditions.

SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament Mass, concluding with Adoration and Benediction will be on **Thursday 4th September at 6:30pm**. Please note that there is no Sodality Mass in August. 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 6th September**. 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

MARCH FOR LIFE UK

March for Life UK happens in London on **Saturday 6th September**. There is a Mass at Westminster Cathedral beforehand at 10:30am, and the March takes place from 1:30pm departing The Emmanuel Centre, ending at Parliament Square around 4:30pm. This year's theme is *Human Rights for All Humans*. The Right to Life underpins every other right we have and without it every other right is rendered meaningless. Human rights are for all humans, not a select, privileged few; not just for the wanted, the born, the able-bodied, the healthy or any other subdivision. Join thousands at this family-friendly event. Find out more at marchforlife.co.uk

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 20th September**. More information at rcdow.org.uk/pilgrimages

EUCCHARISTIC FESTIVAL AT WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL

On **Saturday 11th October**, Cardinal Nichols invites everyone to a Eucharistic Festival in the Cathedral, (exact timings TBC). The afternoon will include Mass celebrated by the Cardinal, Adoration, Rosary, Confessions and a Procession of the Blessed Sacrament. Watch this space for more info!

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.

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 O'Riordan, William Taor, Roy Truman, 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,