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CORPUS CHRISTI

THE DIOCESAN SHRINE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

SEPTEMBER – MONTH DEDICATED TO
OUR LADY OF SORROWS



✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – 28TH SEPTEMBER 2025 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 28TH

✠ 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
Elizabeth Greaves RIP*

MONDAY 29TH

Ss MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS

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

Amaubry Ferras Silva RIP

TUESDAY 30TH

ST JEROME, PRIEST & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

No Public Mass today. Private Mass for

Christina Hoban RIP

WEDNESDAY 1ST OCTOBER

ST THÉRÈSE OF THE CHILD JESUS, VIRGIN & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

Patricia Ann Murphy – Intentions

THURSDAY 2ND

HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
6.30 pm Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament Mass

Richard Thompson RIP

Sodality Members

(Friday Abstinence)

FRIDAY 3RD

FERIA

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

Helena de Franceschi RIP

SATURDAY 4TH

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

10.00 am Exposition & Confessions
11.00 am Sung Jubilee Mass in Latin
5.00 pm Exposition
6.00 pm Vigil Mass

Holy Father's Intentions

Pro Populo

SUNDAY 5TH

✠ 27TH 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 3
Eileen Osborne RIP
Dennis Milewski RIP – Anniversary*

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

LOVE WITH A CAPITAL L

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells the Parable of the rich man and poor Lazarus. The former lives in luxury and egoism and when he dies, he will go to hell. The poor man on the contrary eats the food left over from the table of the rich man, and at his death he will be brought by angels to his eternal dwelling place with God and the saints. "Blessed are you poor", the Lord proclaimed to his disciples, "for yours is the Kingdom of God". But the message of the parable goes further. It reminds us that while we are in this world we should listen to the Lord who speaks through the Sacred Scriptures and to live according to his will, otherwise after death it will be too late to repent. This parable teaches us two lessons: the first is that God loves the poor and comforts their humiliation; the second is that our eternal destiny is conditioned by our attitude, it is up to us to follow the path that God has laid out for us in order to attain life and this path is love, not intended as a feeling but as service to others in the charity of Christ.

By a happy coincidence, yesterday we celebrated the Liturgical Memorial of St Vincent de Paul, Patron of Catholic charities. In 16th-century France, he himself keenly perceived the strong contrast between the richest and the poorest of people. In fact, as a priest, he had the opportunity to experience the aristocratic life and life in the country, as well as the dregs of society in Paris. Encouraged by the love of Christ, Vincent de Paul knew how to organize permanent forms of service for marginalized people, giving life to the so-called "Charit es" and "Charities", that is the groups of women who gave their time and belongings to the most marginalized people. Some of these volunteers chose to consecrate themselves completely to God and to the poor, with St Louise de Marillac, and St Vincent, Founder of the "Daughters of Charity" the first female congregation to live a consecrated life "in the world", with the common people, including the sick and the needy.

Dear friends, only Love with a capital "L" can bring true happiness! This is shown by another witness, a young girl who was beatified in 2010: Chiara Badano, an Italian girl born in 1971, who was afflicted by a disease that caused her death just before she turned 19. Despite her suffering, she was a ray of light [luce] as her nickname suggests "Chiara Luce". In the beati, such as Chiara and now Saint Carlo Actuis, all young people can discover in them an example of Christian devotion. Fully accepting the will of God, she spoke her last words: "Bye Mum. Be happy because I am". Let us praise God because his love is stronger than evil and death. Let us thank the Virgin Mary, who leads youth, through difficulty and suffering, to love Jesus and to discover the beauty of life.

MASS INTENTIONS

The earliest dates available are now in **February 2026**. Book intentions online at maidenlane.org.uk/intentions If you have any particular dates you would like next year, please book them early to avoid disappointment.

CONFESSION

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

FR PATRICK HAYWARD'S FUNERAL

Details about Fr Patrick Hayward's funeral will be announced on our website and social media as soon as they are confirmed. Unfortunately there have been delays in sorting out the paperwork, which we anticipate to be resolved soon.

BUILDING APPEAL

As you know, we've been having second collections towards our Building Fund for many weeks. Having restored the inside of the church over the last decade, we now need to turn our attention to the outside. There are repairs needed to the brickwork and the roof, some of which are quite serious (you may have seen Fr Alan mopping the Sanctuary floor when we've had heavy rain!). We need to raise **£70k** to carry out all the work that needs doing, which will involve some rather complex scaffolding to reach the bits that the builders will need to access. If you are able to help in any way, please donate either in church on the machines (selecting the Building Fund option) or at maidenlane.org.uk/donate

SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament Mass, concluding with Adoration and Benediction will be on **Thursday 2nd October at 6:30pm**. The guest preacher will be **Fr Mike Maguire**, Parish Priest of St Lawrence's, Feltham. 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 4th October**. 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

EUCCHARISTIC FESTIVAL AT WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL

On **Saturday 11th October**, Cardinal Nichols invites everyone to a Eucharistic Festival in the Cathedral, beginning with Votive Mass of St Carlo Acutis at **12:30pm** celebrated by His Eminence, the Cardinal. The afternoon will then include a period of Adoration, Rosary, Confessions and a Procession of the Blessed Sacrament. Watch this space for more info!

MASS FOR OUR LADY, QUEEN OF PALESTINE

The Westminster section of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem warmly invites you to its Mass for the Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Palestine, on **Wednesday 15th October at 6:30 pm at St. Mary Moorfields**, 4/5 Eldon Street, EC2M 7LS. Mass will be followed by a talk by, and discussion with, two distinguished speakers: Anton Asfar, Secretary General of Caritas Jerusalem; Fr. Elias Tabban, Parish Priest of Zababdeh, a Christian village in the West Bank. They will provide a hands-on account of the catastrophic situation of the Christians in the Holy Land, discuss how the future of the Christians might look like and what gives them hope in these most difficult of times, and share their thoughts on how we can help. RSVP by 10th October: westminstersecretary@cohsj.org.uk

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, Traute Pollock **Of your charity – please pray for those who have died recently:** Sarah Burke, Fr Patrick Hayward CRL, 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