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Kathleen O'Dea – Intentions

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CORPUS CHRISTI THE DIOCESAN SHRINE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

OCTOBER – MONTH DEDICATED TO
THE HOLY ROSARY



✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – 26TH OCTOBER 2025 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 26TH

✠ 30TH 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
Kathleen Slattery & Jim Ryan RIP
Pro Populo*

MONDAY 27TH

FERIA

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

Una Marren RIP

TUESDAY 28TH

Ss SIMON & JUDE, APOSTLES

No Public Mass today. Private Mass for

Fr Jonathan Rose – Intentions

WEDNESDAY 29TH

BLESSED MARTYRS OF DOUAI

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

Forrest Andrews RIP

THURSDAY 30TH

FERIA

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

Philip Ayrton-Grime RIP

FRIDAY 31ST

FERIA

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

(Friday Abstinence)

Hilma Kessinger RIP

SATURDAY 1ST NOVEMBER

FERIA

10.00 am Exposition & Confessions
11.00 am **Sung Jubilee Mass in Latin** (All Saints) *Holy Father's Intentions*
5.00 pm Exposition
6.00 pm Vigil Mass

Kathleen McConnachie RIP

SUNDAY 2ND

✠ ALL SAINTS

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

*Ps Wk 3
Maureen Goodey RIP
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

FIGHT THE GOOD FIGHT

Today we are touched by the parable of the pharisee and the publican, told by Jesus and recounted by the Evangelist St Luke. We too may be tempted, like the pharisee, to tell God of our merits. However, to rise up to Heaven, prayer must emanate from a poor, humble heart. We recognize ourselves as small and in need of salvation, of mercy; we recognize all that comes from Him and that only with his Grace we may realize what the Holy Spirit told us. Only in this manner may we “return home” truly enriched, made more just and more able to walk in the path of the Lord.

The First Reading and the responsorial Psalm stress the theme of prayer, emphasizing that it is much more powerful to God’s heart when those who pray are in a condition of need and are afflicted. “The prayer of the humble pierces the clouds” affirms Ecclesiasticus; and the Psalmist adds: “Yahweh is near to the broken-hearted, he helps those whose spirit is crushed”. Today the Word of God also offers us a light of consoling hope, there where He presents prayer, personified, that “until he has eliminated the hordes of the arrogant and broken the sceptres of the wicked, until he has repaid all people as their deeds deserve and human actions as their intentions merit”. This link too, between prayer and justice makes us think of many situations in the world, particularly in the Middle East. The cry of the poor and oppressed finds an immediate echo in God, who desires to intervene to open up a way out, to restore a future of freedom, a horizon of hope.

This faith in God who is near, who frees his friends, is what the Apostle Paul witnesses to in today’s epistle, in the Second Letter to Timothy. Realizing that the end of his earthly life was near, Paul makes an assessment: “I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith”. For each one of us this is a model to imitate: may Divine Goodness allow us to make a similar judgment of ourselves! St Paul continues, “the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed for all the gentiles to hear”. Communion with Jesus crucified and risen, witness of his love. The Apostle’s experience is a model for every Christian.

MASS INTENTIONS

The earliest dates available are now in **March 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. Do make the most of this most essential of Sacraments, especially during this Holy Year of Jubilee when so many Plenary Indulgences are on offer.

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.

FR PATRICK HAYWARD’S FUNERAL

Many thanks to all those who came to pray for the happy repose of Fr Hayward’s soul. It was very touching to see how many came. A particular thank you to all those who donated towards defraying the undertaker costs incurred by the parishes of Eltham and Maiden Lane. May he rest in peace.

ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS

All Saints’ Day The Obligation this year is transferred to Sunday 2nd November. Mass here will be at 9:30am & 11:30am. There will also be a Mass on 1st November at 11am, which does not fulfil your Sunday Obligation, and at 6pm, which does.

All Souls’ Day is on Monday 3rd November, and there will be the traditional three Masses here that day: 8am (1962, Low), 1:05pm (said, English), and 6:30pm (1962, Sung). Please come and pray for your departed loved ones.

NOVEMBER HOLY SOULS

November, the Month of the Holy Souls, will be upon us before we know it! Throughout November, we will be offering at least three Masses a week for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. You can have your departed relatives and friends remembered at the Altar at these Masses by adding their names to the list by simply filling out the form on our website, or one of the forms at the back of the church. Visit maidenlane.org.uk/holysouls to make your offering today!

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

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 1st November**. 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

SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament Mass, concluding with Adoration and Benediction will be on **Thursday 6th November at 6:30pm**, which will be a Requiem Mass for deceased Sodality members. To find out more about the Sodality, and to become a member, visit sodality.co.uk

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Sunday 9th November is Remembrance Sunday. In line with an indult of the Holy See, the 11:30am Mass that day will be a Sung Requiem Mass for all the Faithful fallen in battle. The Catholic Military Association’s Requiem Mass will be on **Monday 11th November** at 6:30pm, concluding with the Last Post.

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:** Molly Steele, 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