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CORPUS CHRISTI

THE DIOCESAN SHRINE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

NOVEMBER – MONTH DEDICATED TO
THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY



✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – 16TH NOVEMBER 2025 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 16TH

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9.30 am Said Mass in English
11.30 am Sung Mass in Latin

*Ps Wk 1
Bridget Walsh RIP
Anna Milemska RIP*

MONDAY 17TH

ST ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY, RELIGIOUS

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass *Heather Bashford RIP – Anniversary*
6.30 pm Mass (1962 Missal) – St Hugh of Lincoln

TUESDAY 18TH

THE DEDICATION OF THE BASILICAS OF SS PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES

No Public Mass today. Private Mass for *Holy Souls in Purgatory*

WEDNESDAY 19TH – #REDWEDNESDAY

FERIA – VOTIVE MASS FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass *Persecuted Christians*

THURSDAY 20TH

FERIA

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass *Francis & Theresa Khoo RIP – Anniversary*

FRIDAY 21ST

THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass *Kathleen Flint RIP*

SATURDAY 22ND

ST CECILIA, VIRGIN & MARTYR

5.00 pm Exposition
6.00 pm Vigil Mass *Pro Populo*

SUNDAY 23RD

✠ OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

9.30 am Said Mass in English *Maureen Goodey & Kathleen Tappin RIP*
11.30 am Sung Mass in Latin *Holy Souls in Purgatory*
5.00 pm Holy Hour



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

MOTHER OF ALL THE CHURCHES

In today's Gospel passage, St Luke repropose the Biblical view of history for our reflection and refers to Jesus' words that invite the disciples not to fear, but to face difficulties, misunderstandings and even persecutions with trust, persevering through faith in him. The Lord says: "When you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified; for this must first take place, but the end will not be at once". Keeping this admonition in mind, from the beginning the Church lives in prayerful waiting for her Lord, scrutinizing the signs of the times and putting the faithful on guard against recurring messiahs, who from time to time announce the world's end as imminent. In reality, history must run its course, which brings with it also human dramas and natural calamities. In it a design of salvation is developed that Christ has already brought to fulfilment in his Incarnation, death and Resurrection. The Church continues to proclaim this mystery and to announce and accomplish it with her preaching, celebration of the sacraments and witness of charity.

Dear brothers and sisters, let us welcome Christ's invitation to face daily events by trusting in his providential love. Let us not fear the future, even when it can appear with bleak colours, because the God of Jesus Christ, who entered history to open it to its transcendent fulfilment, is the alpha and the omega, the first and the last. He guarantees that in every little but genuine act of love there is the entire sense of the universe, and that the one who does not hesitate to lose his own life for him finds it again in fullness.

With remarkable effectiveness, consecrated persons, who have placed their lives completely at the service of the Kingdom of God, invite us to keep this perspective alive. Among these we should particularly recall those called to contemplation in cloistered monasteries. The Church dedicates a special day to them this Friday, 21st November, Memorial of the Presentation in the Temple of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We owe much to these people who live on what Providence provides them through the generosity of the faithful. "As a spiritual oasis, a monastery reminds today's world of the most important, and indeed, in the end, the only decisive thing: that there is an ultimate reason why life is worth living: God and his unfathomable love". Faith, which is active in charity, is the true antidote against a nihilistic mentality that is spreading its influence in the world even more in our time.

May Mary, Mother of the Incarnate Word, accompany us on our earthly pilgrimage. We ask her to sustain the witness of all Christians, so that it is always based on a solid and persevering faith.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

can be found on the flyers at the back of church or on our website at maidenlane.org.uk/Christmas

CONFESSION

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

MASS INTENTIONS

The earliest dates available are now in **May/June 2026**. Book intentions online at maidenlane.org.uk/intentions

CHURCH CLEANING

We will be cleaning the church ready for Christmas on **Saturday 13th December from 9am**. Please come along and help. The more there are, the quicker it goes!

NOVEMBER HOLY SOULS

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!

BYRON CONSORT OF HARROW SCHOOL & NATIVITY SCENE

We are pleased to be welcoming back the Byron Consort of Harrow School to sing for the Vigil Mass of the First Sunday of Advent on **Saturday 29th November at 6pm**. Following the Mass, they will give a free concert of Sacred Music. This will also be the first outing of our Nativity Scene for this year!

SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament Mass, concluding with Adoration and Benediction will be on **Thursday 4th December at 6:30pm**. 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 December**. 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 IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Although the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception on **Monday 8th December** is not a Holy Day of Obligation in this country, it is across much of Europe, as well as further afield. There will be a said Mass in English at **1.05pm** and a Missa Cantata according to the Missal of 1962 at **6.30pm**.

CAROL SERVICE

The Maiden Lane Carol Service will take place on **Wednesday 10th December at 6:30pm**, concluding with Benediction. As in previous years, there will be a mix of congregational carols as well as some beautiful polyphony from the choir. This will be a marvellous way to use Advent as a time of prayerful preparation for the Nativity. There will be a retiring collection for the work of the Holy Family Hospital in Bethlehem, run by the Order of Malta.

BUILDING APPEAL

Work continues on repairing the church roof above the Sanctuary, where we've had some quite severe leaks in the rains. We still need to raise **£70k** to carry out all the work that needs doing, which will involve some rather complex scaffolding in the street to reach the bits that the builders will need to access. maidenlane.org.uk/donate

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:** Joan Rodrigues, 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