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CORPUS CHRISTI

THE DIOCESAN SHRINE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

JANUARY – MONTH DEDICATED TO
THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS

✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – 18TH JANUARY 2026 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 18TH

✠ 2ND 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
Lupe & Eduardo del Palacio RIP*

MONDAY 19TH

ST WULSTAN

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

Kelsie Jean Smeby & Cait Taylor – Intentions

TUESDAY 20TH

ST SEBASTIAN, MARTYR

No public Mass today. Private Mass offered for *Mechtild Nastainczyk RIP – Anniv.*

WEDNESDAY 21ST

ST AGNES, VIRGIN & MARTYR

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

Gerald O'Beirne RIP – Anniversary

THURSDAY 22ND

ST VINCENT, DEACON & MARTYR

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

Margaret Chan RIP

FRIDAY 23RD

FERIA

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

(Friday Abstinence)

Patricia Ann Murphy – Intentions

SATURDAY 24TH

ST FRANCIS DE SALES, BISHOP & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

5.00 pm Exposition
6.00 pm Vigil Mass

Sean Kirkley RIP

SUNDAY 25TH

✠ 3RD 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
Pro Populo
Liliana Kindell – Intentions*

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: cpguk@gmail.com

THAT THEY MAY BE ONE

Today we begin the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, during which Catholics, Orthodox, Anglicans and Protestants, knowing that their divisions are an obstacle to the acceptance of the Gospel, implore the Lord together in a more intense way for the gift of full communion. This providential initiative was born over 100 years ago, when Fr Paul Wattson introduced the “Octave” of Prayer for the unity of all Christ’s disciples. We all have the duty to pray and work to overcome every division among Christians in response to Christ’s desire “*Ut unum sint*”. Prayer, conversion of heart and strengthening the bonds of communion constitute the essence of this spiritual movement that we hope will soon lead Christ’s disciples to the common celebration of the Eucharist, a manifestation of their unity.

This year’s biblical theme is significant: “There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling”. St Paul addressed the community of Ephesus, reflects in the concept of “one body” the nature of the Church. Christianity transcends cultural and national boundaries, uniting believers worldwide in faith and hope. This fellowship, as envisioned in Revelation 7:9, where every culture, tribe, people and language is represented, provides strength and encouragement to believers, affirming their connection within the Body of Christ. We must never tire of praying for Christian unity! When Jesus prayed at the Last Supper that “they may all be one”, he had a precise goal in mind: “so that the world may believe”. The Church’s evangelizing mission thus passes along the ecumenical road, the journey of unity of faith, Gospel witness and genuine brotherhood.

May the holy Mother of God obtain from the Lord an abundance of the Holy Spirit for all his disciples, so that together we may reach perfect unity and thus offer the witness of faith and life that the world urgently needs.

INSTALLATION OF OUR NEW ARCHBISHOP

Our new Archbishop, Richard Moth, will be installed at Westminster Cathedral on **Saturday 14th February**. More details about this Mass will be announced in due course, but not everyone who wants to will be able to attend. The Mass will be live streamed on the Cathedral YouTube channel, so for many of us that will be the only way to take part in this celebration. Please do keep Archbishop Moth in your prayers as he prepares to take on this daunting office.

VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

If you are a single man who thinks you might be being called to the priesthood, please do make an appointment to come and speak to Fr Alan about it. The priesthood is a wonderful gift and if you think you might be being called to this life, please do explore it! The Diocese is also running some ‘Come & See’ vocations mornings, the next being **Saturday 17th January**, 10am-1.30pm at Our Lady of Victories (Kensington Room) - Kensington High Street, London W8 6AF. To find out more and to register your attendance at one of the days, please contact: Roger Canon Taylor rogertaylor@rcdow.org.uk

SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament Mass, concluding with Adoration and Benediction will be on **Thursday 5th February at 6:30pm**. To find out more about the Sodality, and to become a member, visit sodality.co.uk

CRIB APPEAL

This year’s crib appeal is for the Holy Family Hospital of Bethlehem Foundation. The hospital is run by the Order of Malta and is the only hospital in the region that can care for neonatal babies. Please be as generous as you are able. Thank you!

REPAIRS TO THE ROOF

Now that Christmas is over, work to the church roof has continued (when the rains allowed it!). The one area of the work that needed particular attention is mostly complete now, though there will be more to do in the coming weeks, most significantly around the repointing of the brickwork on the front of the church facing Maiden Lane. If you are able to donate towards these repairs, please visit maidenlane.org.uk/donate Thank you to those who already have! It’s made such a difference.

SEVEN DAY LAMPS

Are available at the back of the church for £6, or online at maidenlane.org.uk/lamps. The seven Sanctuary lamps have now been booked for the entirety of 2026, so only the Lady Chapel & Sacred Heart lamps are available until 2027.

CONFESSION

Confessions are heard for half an hour before all Masses, or upon request. Please make use of this most important and life-giving Sacrament as often as you may need it – and even if you’re not sure if you do!

ASH WEDNESDAY & LENT

It seems crazy to be talking about Lent already, but it falls relatively early this year. Ash Wednesday is on **Wednesday 18th February**. There will be three Masses here that day: 8am (1962), 1:05pm (said, English) and 6:30pm (sung, Latin). Throughout Lent, as ever, there will be Friday evening devotions: 5pm Holy Hour with Vespers, Rosary & Benediction, followed by 6pm Stations of the Cross. These are, of course, Indulgenced acts, so those of you missing the Jubilee already can still come and do your bit for the Holy Souls by obtaining the Indulgences and fulfilling the required conditions.

MASS INTENTIONS

The earliest dates available are now in **August 2026**. Book intentions online at maidenlane.org.uk/intentions There are not many dates left for this year, so please don’t leave it until the last minute!

70TH ANNIVERSARY OF CONSECRATION

2026 marks the Platinum Jubilee of the Consecration of Corpus Christi by Bishop George Craven on 18th October. Although the church was built in 1874, a church cannot be consecrated until all the debt has been paid off, which in our case only happened in 1956. There was also a further complication: the rite of consecration required the bishop to be able to walk around the outside of the building – which in our case was impossible, and so an indult was required from Rome. We will be celebrating this anniversary at the **11:30am** Mass on **Sunday 18th October**. More details nearer the time, but please but the date in your diary now.

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:** Fr Hubert Bonnet-Eymard SM, Rose Reid, 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