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In Thanksgiving

LADY CHAPEL

Kathy Glynn's Intentions

SACRED HEART CHAPEL

Jimmy Lai

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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 – 25TH JANUARY 2026 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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*

MONDAY 26TH

Ss TIMOTHY & TITUS, BISHOPS

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

Michael O'Beirne RIP – Anniversary

TUESDAY 27TH

ST ANGELA MERICI, VIRGIN

No public Mass today. Private Mass offered for

Starving Children

WEDNESDAY 28TH

ST THOMAS AQUINAS, PRIEST & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

Eileen Weller – Intentions

THURSDAY 29TH

FERIA

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

Joseph O'Beirne RIP – Anniversary

FRIDAY 30TH

FERIA

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

(Friday Abstinence)

James Cullinan RIP

SATURDAY 31ST

ST JOHN BOSCO, PRIEST

5.00 pm Exposition
6.00 pm Vigil Mass

Bill & Aida Valenzuela RIP

SUNDAY 1ST FEBRUARY

✠ 4TH 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 4
Pro Populo
Niki Nicholas & Apostolos RIP*

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

THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS AT HAND

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity comes to a close today. A passage from the Book of the Acts of the Apostles sums up in a few words the life of the first Christian community of Jerusalem: “And they devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers”.

We know how many trials our brothers and sisters of the Holy Land and of the Middle East must face. Their service is therefore all the more precious, strengthened by a witness which in some cases has even gone so far as the sacrifice of their life.

Today too, if we Christians are to be in the world a sign and instrument of close union with God and of unity among men we must found our life on these four “hinges”: a life founded on the faith of the Apostles passed on through the living Tradition of the Church, brotherly communion, the Eucharist and prayer. Only in this way, by remaining firmly united to Christ, can the Church carry out her mission effectively, despite the limitations and shortcomings of her members, despite the divisions which the Apostle Paul already had to face in the community of Corinth as the Second Reading from the Bible this Sunday recalls, where he says: “I appeal to you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no dissensions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgement”.

In fact, the Apostle knew that in the Christian community of Corinth discord and divisions had developed; therefore, with great firmness he added: “Is Christ divided?”. By so saying he affirmed that every division in the Church is an offence to Christ; and, at the same time, that it is always in him — the one Head and Lord — that we can find ourselves once again united, through the inexhaustible power of his grace.

Here then is the ever timely appeal of today’s Gospel: “Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand”. The serious commitment of conversion to Christ is the way that leads the Church, in the time that God ordains, to full and visible unity. A number of ecumenical meetings in these days which are increasing everywhere in the world is a sign of this. May the Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church always go with us on this journey.

THANKSGIVING MASS FOR CARDINAL NICHOLS

There will be a Mass of Thanksgiving for the service of Cardinal Nichols at Westminster Cathedral on **Thursday 5th February at 5:30pm**. The Mass will be open to all, as well as live streamed.

INSTALLATION OF OUR NEW ARCHBISHOP

Our new Archbishop, Richard Moth, will be installed at Westminster Cathedral on **Saturday 14th February**. Access to the Mass will be restricted to those with tickets, however the Mass will be live streamed on the Cathedral YouTube channel. For many of us, therefore, 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.

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