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THE LAMPS ARE BURNING FOR:

SANCTUARY LAMPS

In Thanksgiving

LADY CHAPEL

Private Intention CW

SACRED HEART CHAPEL

In Thanksgiving

SACRED HEART NARTHEX

Michael, Marie, Megan & Kate
Neely – Intentions

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CORPUS CHRISTI

THE DIOCESAN SHRINE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

AUGUST – MONTH DEDICATED TO
THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – 30TH AUGUST 2026 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 30TH

✠ 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Ps Wk 2

Dick & Mea Prendergast RIP

Gaetanina Pietrocarlo RIP

MONDAY 31ST – BANK HOLIDAY

ST AIDAN & SAINTS OF LINDISFARNE

10.00 am Mass
6.30 pm Missa Cantata (1962 Missal) – St Raymond

Will White RIP – Anniversary

TUESDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER

FERIA

No lunchtime Mass today. Private Mass offered for

Patricia – Healing

WEDNESDAY 2ND

FERIA

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

David Sutherland RIP

THURSDAY 3RD

ST GREGORY THE GREAT, POPE & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

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

John Paul & Family

Sodality Members

FRIDAY 4TH

ST CUTHBERT, BISHOP

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass
5.00 pm Holy Hour

Mauro Ferraresi & Family – Intentions

SATURDAY 5TH

ST TERESA OF CALCUTTA, VIRGIN

5.00 pm Exposition
6.00 pm Vigil Mass

Lorraine Moore RIP – Anniversary

SUNDAY 6TH

✠ 23RD 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

Anne Barrett

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

Eucharistic Prayer Group: Prayer Group each Wednesday 7pm in Church with Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary. Contact Annette: ccpguk@gmail.com

GOD FORBID!

Today too, the Apostle Peter, like last Sunday, appears in the foreground of the Gospel. However, whereas last Sunday we admired him for his forthright faith in Jesus, whom he proclaimed the Messiah and Son of God, this time, in the episode that immediately follows, he shows a faith that is still immature and too closely bound to the mentality of “this world”. Indeed, when Jesus begins to speak openly of the fate that awaits him in Jerusalem, in other words that he will have to suffer many things and be killed in order subsequently to be raised, Peter protests saying: “God forbid, Lord! This shall never happen to you”. It is obvious that the Teacher and the disciple follow two opposite ways of thinking. Peter, in accordance with a human logic, is convinced that God would never permit his Son to end his mission by dying on the Cross. Jesus, on the contrary, knows that in his immense love for mankind the Father sent him to give his life for them and that if this should involve the Passion and the Cross, it is right that it should happen in this manner. Moreover he knows that the last word will be the Resurrection. Although Peter’s protest was spoken in good faith and for sincere love of the Master, to Jesus it sounds like a temptation, an invitation to save himself, whereas it is only by losing his life that he will receive new and eternal life for us all.

If, to save us, the Son of God had to suffer and die on the Cross, it was certainly not by a cruel design of the heavenly Father. The reason is the gravity of the illness from which he came to heal us: it was such a serious, mortal disease that it required all his Blood. Indeed, it was with his death and Resurrection that Jesus defeated sin and death and re-established God’s lordship. Yet the battle is not over. Evil exists and resists in every generation, as we know, in our day too. What are the horrors of war, violence to the innocent, the wretchedness and injustice unleashed against the weak other than the opposition of evil to the Kingdom of God? And how is it possible to respond to so much wickedness except with the unarmed and disarming power of love that conquers hatred and of life that has no fear of death? It is the same mysterious power that Jesus used, at the cost of being misunderstood and abandoned by many of his own.

Dear brothers and sisters, in order to bring the work of salvation fully to completion, the Redeemer continues to associate to himself and his mission men and women who are prepared to take up their cross and follow him. Consequently, just as for Christ carrying the cross was not an option but a mission to be embraced for love, so it is for Christians too. In our world today, where the forces that divide and destroy seem to dominate, Christ does not cease to offer to all his clear invitation: anyone who wants to be my disciple must renounce his own selfishness and carry the cross with me. Let us invoke the help of the Blessed Virgin who followed Jesus first and to the very end on the way of the Cross. May she help us to walk in the Lord’s footsteps with determination, to experience from this moment, even in trial, the glory of the Resurrection.

SEVEN DAY LAMPS

Are available at the back of the church for £6, or online.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC

Now is the time of the year when we invite those of you who are considering becoming a Catholic or ‘reverting’ to the Catholic Life that you have fallen away from, to get in touch with us. The classes will take place on **Saturday mornings at 10.30am, beginning on the 26th September.**

If you’d like to be in touch to discuss this or just to register for the program, please do send me an email. Don’t hold back - the Lord is waiting for you!

SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament Mass with Adoration and Benediction will be on **Thursday 3rd September at 6:30pm.** To join the Sodality, visit sodality.co.uk

VACANCY AT THE LATIN MASS SOCIETY

The Latin Mass Society (LMS) is seeking an efficient and experienced manager for its London office, managing a small team of staff and online bookshop, the production of its quarterly magazine *Mass of Ages*, and facilitating the work of its activities in supporting the celebration of the Traditional Mass in England and Wales and beyond. Full time position, for the complete Job Description and how to apply, visit: lms.org.uk/vacancies

ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL

On Friday 11th September 2026, Kim Leadbeater’s revived assisted suicide Bill will have its pivotal Second Reading vote in the House of Commons. The new Prime Minister has stated that palliative care and social care funding need to be “fixed” so that vulnerable people can have “peace of mind” about the care that they receive towards the end of their life. Please write to your MP to ask them to oppose this terrible bill. More info at righttolife.org.uk/Sept11vote

MARCH FOR LIFE

March for Life UK happens in London on **Saturday 5th September.** There is a Mass at Westminster Cathedral beforehand at 10:30am, and the March takes place from 1:30pm departing The Emmanuel Centre, ending at Parliament Square around 4:30pm. Find out more at marchforlife.co.uk

DEVOTION TO THE HOLY FACE OF CHRIST

There will be a talk on the Holy Face Devotion given by Fr Lawrence Carney, author of the book *The Secret of the Holy Face: The Devotion Destined to Save Society* on **Wednesday 16th September** at 7pm in St Joseph’s Hall at the Oratory. Fr Carney is a priest from the Diocese of Wichita, USA. He is also known for his book *Walking the Road to God.*

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

The annual diocesan pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham, led by the Archbishop, will take place on **Saturday 19th September.** Information at rcdow.org.uk/pilgrimages

70TH ANNIVERSARY OF CONSECRATION

Please put the **11:30am** Mass on **Sunday 18th October** in your diary. **His Eminence, Cardinal Nichols** will be celebrating the Mass, marking the 70th Anniversary of the Shrine’s Consecration in 1956 by Bishop George Craven.

MASS INTENTIONS

The earliest dates available are now in **May 2027.** Book intentions online at maidenlane.org.uk/intentions

Our sick parishioners and friends: Pam Molyneux, Peter Noakes, Alain de Jager, Miekko 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:** Dame Ann Widdecombe, Ibolya Keshely, Marygold Turner, Catherine Donner, Dan Brown, Diane Bettles, Philip Umunnakwe, Robert Adams, 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