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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 – 25th October 2026
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 25th

✠ 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time — *Ps Wk 2*

9.30 am	Said Mass in English	*Kathleen Slattery RIP*
11.30 am	Sung Mass in Latin	*Björn Johan Andréson RIP – Anniversary*
5.00 pm	Holy Hour	

Monday 26th
Ss Chad & Cedd, Bishops

12 noon	Exposition	
1.05 pm	Mass	*Gaspare Claudili RIP*
6.30 pm	Mass (1962 Missal) – Feria	

Tuesday 27th
Feria

No public Mass today. Private Mass offered for — *Annamaria Emanuelli RIP*

Wednesday 28th
Ss Simon & Jude, Apostles

12 noon	Exposition	
1.05 pm	Mass	*In Thanksgiving*
5.00 pm	Holy Hour	

Thursday 29th
Blessed Martyrs of Douai

12 noon	Exposition	
1.05 pm	Mass	*Lucas & Ana Rodrigues RIP*
5.00 pm	Holy Hour	

Friday 30th — *(Friday Abstinence)*
Feria

12 noon	Exposition	
1.05 pm	Mass	*Heena D'Silva – Intentions*
5.00 pm	Holy Hour	

Saturday 31st
Feria

5.00 pm	Exposition	
6.00 pm	Vigil Mass	*Kathleen McConnachie RIP*

Sunday 1st November

✠ All Saints — *Ps Wk 3*

9.30 am	Said Mass in English	*Pro Populo*
11.30 am	Sung Mass in Latin	*Clifton Hartlage RIP*
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

I LOVE YOU, LORD

The Word of the Lord, which we hear this weekend, reminds us that the whole of the Divine Law can be summed up in love. The Evangelist Matthew recounts that the Pharisees, after Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, met to put him to the test. One of these interlocutors, a doctor of law, asked him: "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?". Jesus answered the deliberately tricky question, saying quite simply: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment". In fact, the main requirement for each one of us is that God be present in our lives. He should, as the Scripture says, penetrate all levels of our being and fill them completely. The heart should know him and let itself be touched by him, and thus also the soul, the energies of our will and determination, as well as intelligence and thought. One could say, as St Paul did, "It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me".

Jesus immediately adds something that the doctor of law did not actually ask: "And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbour as yourself". By declaring that the second commandment is similar to the first, Jesus implies that loving your neighbour is as important as loving God. In fact, a visible sign that the Christian can show the world in order to witness to God's love is love for our brothers and sisters. How providential it is that soon we shall commemorate All Saints – all those, who allowed themselves to be transformed by the divine love, that imbued their entire existence. Through various situations and with different charisms, they loved the Lord with all their heart and loved their neighbour as themselves: thus becoming "an example to all the believers".

"I love you, Lord, my strength", we proclaim in the Responsorial Psalm. The Saints are an eloquent sign of this passionate love for God. Let us follow their example, let us be guided by their teachings so that our whole life may become a witness of authentic love of God and neighbour.

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, the book is full for this year and next, so it is only possible to buy for the Sacred Heart Lamp in the Narthex or for an individual lamp in a side chapel.

DIARY DATES – LOOKING AHEAD

9th November – 6:30pm, Catholic Military Association Requiem Mass for fallen soldiers

29th November – Unveiling of the Nativity Scene

5th December – 6pm, Byron Consort of Harrow School sing at Mass & free concert of sacred music afterwards

8th December – 6:30pm, Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9th December – 6:30pm, Corpus Christi Annual Carol Service with Benediction

11th December – 7pm, Eastern Carols with the Mosaic Choir of the Orthodox Fellowship of St John the Baptist

THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who came last weekend as we celebrated the 70th Anniversary of the Consecration of the Shrine. I'm very grateful to you all for your continued prayers and support. We were also very touched to receive an Apostolic Blessing from His Holiness Pope Leo XIV to mark this occasion. Let us all keep him in our prayers.

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!

ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS

All Saints' Day this year falls on a Sunday. Mass here on **1st November** will be at 9:30am & 11:30am. There is also the usual Vigil Mass at 6pm on Saturday 31st October.

All Souls' Day is on **Monday 2nd 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.

SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament Mass with Adoration and Benediction will be on **Thursday 5th November at 6:30pm**. This will be a Requiem Mass for all those Sodality Members over the last century who have gone to their eternal reward. To join the Sodality, visit **sodality.co.uk**

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Sunday 8th 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 9th November at 6:30pm, concluding with the Last Post.

MASS INTENTIONS

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

BECOMING A CATHOLIC

If you are considering becoming a Catholic or 'reverting' to the Catholic Life that you have fallen away from, then please do get in touch with us.

If you'd like to join – it's not too late! Please do send me an email. Don't hold back – the Lord is waiting for you!

REPAIR WORKS

Thank you to all those who have donated towards the Building Fund. We have finally got the permissions needed to do the repair works to the coal store, so hopefully that will happen before the winter rains set in. We are still collecting money to help towards the cost of the repairs to the façade of the church – repointing and cleaning of the external brick work. If you are able to donate towards the cost of these works (about £50k) please use the machines, or visit the website at **maidenlane.org.uk/donate**

CONFESSION

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Our sick parishioners and friends: Dr Adel Isaak, Pam Molyneux, Peter Noakes, 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:** Regina, 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,