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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 – 1ST NOVEMBER 2026 ALL SAINTS

SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER

✠ ALL SAINTS

9.30 am Said Mass in English
11.30 am Sung Mass in Latin
5.00 pm Holy Hour

Ps Wk 3

Pro Populo

Clifton Hartlage RIP

MONDAY 2ND

THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

8.00 am Mass (1962 Missal) *All Faithful Departed*
12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass *Holy Father's Intentions*
6.30 pm Mass (1962 Missal) *Deceased Members of the Catholic Police Guild*

TUESDAY 3RD

ST MARTIN DE PORRES, RELIGIOUS

No public Mass today. Private Mass offered for *Holy Souls in Purgatory*

WEDNESDAY 4TH

ST CHARLES BORROMEO, BISHOP

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass *Holy Souls in Purgatory*
5.00 pm Holy Hour

THURSDAY 5TH

FERIA

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass *Holy Souls in Purgatory*
6.30 pm **Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament Mass** *Deceased Sodality Members*

FRIDAY 6TH

FERIA

12 noon Exposition
1.05 pm Mass *Holy Souls in Purgatory*
5.00 pm Holy Hour

SATURDAY 7TH

ST WILLIBRORD, BISHOP

5.00 pm Exposition
6.00 pm Vigil Mass *Pro Populo*

SUNDAY 8TH – REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

✠ 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9.30 am Said Mass in English
11.30 am Sung Requiem Mass in Latin
5.00 pm Holy Hour

Ps Wk 4

Maureen Goodey RIP

Faithful Fallen in Battle

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 WILLS YOUR SANCTIFICATION

The Solemnity of All Saints is a favourable occasion to raise our gaze from earthly realities, marked by time, to God's dimension, the dimension of eternity and holiness.

Today's Liturgy reminds us that holiness is the original vocation of every baptized person. In fact, Christ, who with the Father and with the Spirit alone is all holy, loved the Church as his Bride and gave himself up for her, in order to sanctify her. For this reason all members of the People of God are called to become holy, according to the Apostle Paul's affirmation: "For this is the will of God, your sanctification". We are therefore invited to see the Church not only in her temporal and human aspect, marked by fragility, but as Christ wanted her to be, that is, in "the communion of saints". In the Creed we profess that the Church is "holy", holy since she is the Body of Christ, an instrument of sharing in the sacred Mysteries – primarily in the Eucharist – and the family of Saints, to whose protection we are entrusted on the day of our Baptism.

Today we venerate this innumerable community of All Saints, who, through their different paths of life, show us the various ways to holiness, united by a common denominator: to follow Christ and conform ourselves to him, the ultimate goal of our alternating human events. All the stages of life, in fact, can become ways of sanctification with the action of grace and with the commitment and perseverance of each one.

Tomorrow, 2 November, is dedicated to the Commemoration of the faithful departed, it helps us to remember our dear ones who have left us and all the souls on the journey to the fullness of life, on the heavenly horizon of the Church, to which today's Solemnity has elevated us.

Since the early days of the Christian faith, the earthly Church, recognizing the communion of the whole mystical body of Jesus Christ, has honoured with deep respect the memory of the dead, she offers suffrage for them. Our prayer for the dead is therefore not only useful but necessary, as it can not only help them, but also make their intercession for us effective. Also visiting cemeteries, while preserving the ties of affection with those who loved us in this life, reminds us that we are all going towards another life, beyond death. May the tears, due to earthly departure, not prevail over the certainty of the resurrection, over the hope of reaching eternal beatitude, "the supreme moment of satisfaction, in which totality embraces us and we embrace totality".

The object of our hope is to rejoice in the presence of God in eternity. Jesus promised this to his disciples, saying: "I will see you again and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you".

Let us entrust to the Virgin Mary, Queen of All Saints, our pilgrimage towards the heavenly homeland, as we invoke her maternal intercession for our departed brothers and sisters.

SEVEN DAY LAMPS

Are available at the back of the church for £6, or online at maidenlane.org.uk/lamps.

The chapel lamps are full booked, but any candles bought online will be lit on your behalf and placed on a candlestand.

NOVEMBER HOLY SOULS

November, the Month of the Holy Souls, is here. Throughout the month, 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.

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.

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!

THE BYRON CONSORT OF HARROW SCHOOL

will be singing at the **6pm Vigil Mass on Saturday 5th December** and there will be a free short concert of sacred music afterwards. All are most welcome to come and hear one of the finest school choirs in the country.

CORPUS CHRISTI CAROL SERVICE

Our Annual Carol Service, concluding with Exposition & Benediction will happen on **Wednesday 9th December at 6:30pm**. This is always a beautiful evening, which raises a lot of money for the Holy Family Hospital in Bethlehem.

MOSAIC CHOIR OF THE ORTHODOX FELLOWSHIP OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

will be singing a selection of Eastern Carols again on **Friday 11th December at 7pm**. This is a free concert, with a retiring collection for good causes. Please do come along and experience the riches of Christmas through the lens of the Eastern Churches.

MASS INTENTIONS

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

CONFESSION

Confessions are heard for half an hour before all Masses, or upon request. Do take the opportunity to reconcile yourself with the Lord.

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,