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*This parish is part of the WRCDT  
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**WEEKLY GIVING**

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2019  
Loose £484.03  
Envelopes £125.00

*Thank you for your continued  
generous support*

**THE LAMPS ARE BURNING FOR:**

**SANCTUARY LAMPS**  
Euan Woodworth

**LADY CHAPEL**  
Karen Bennett

*To have the lamps burning for your intentions,  
use an envelope at the back of the church or  
visit the website.*



# CORPUS CHRISTI

## THE DIOCESAN SHRINE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

MAY - MONTH DEDICATED TO  
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

**✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – 5<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2019****✠ THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER****SUNDAY 5<sup>TH</sup>****✠ THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER***(Ps Week 3)*

9.30am Mass  
11.30am Solemn Mass in Latin (OF)

*Pro Populo  
Holy Souls*

**MONDAY 6<sup>TH</sup>****EASTER FERIA**

10.00am Mass  
6.30pm Mass – Extraordinary Form

*Nell Gibbons – RIP***TUESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup>****EASTER FERIA**

1.05pm Mass

*MG Bencivenga – Ints.***WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup>****EASTER FERIA**

1.05pm Mass

*MG Bencivenga – Ints.***THURSDAY 9<sup>TH</sup>****EASTER FERIA**

1.05pm Mass  
7.00pm St John Paul II Prayer Group

*Benefactors of Corpus Christi***FRIDAY 10<sup>TH</sup>****EASTER FERIA**

1.05pm Mass  
6.30pm Mass – Extraordinary Form

*In Reparation for sins against the Blessed Sacrament**Good Counsel Network***SATURDAY 11<sup>TH</sup>****EASTER FERIA**

9.00am Church Cleaning  
6.00pm Vigil Mass

*Mary Muir – RIP***SUNDAY 12<sup>TH</sup>****✠ FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER***(Ps Week 4)*

9.30am Mass  
11.30am Solemn Mass in Latin (OF)

*Patrick Slattery – RIP  
Pro Populo*

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT\*:**

7.30am – 8.30am & 12noon – 1pm

**SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION:**

30 mins before Mass\*

\* except Tuesdays

**REGULAR PARISH GROUPS:**

**Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament:** First Thursday of the Month, 6:30pm, Mass, Adoration and Benediction with a different guest preacher each month. All welcome!

**Mass in the Extraordinary Form (Missal of 1962):** 6.30pm Mondays & Bank Holidays; 6:30pm Second Friday of the month (Contact Latin Mass Society Tel: 020 7404 7284)

**Eucharistic Prayer Group:** Young Adults Prayer Group each Wednesday 7pm in Church with Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary - Mass first Wednesday of the Month. Contact Annette: ccpguk@gmail.com

**CaAPA** (The Catholic Association for Performing Arts) 020 7240 1221

**St. John Paul II Prayer Group (Fraternity of St. Genesius)** 7.00pm on 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month – Mass, Benediction and Blessing with First Class Relic of Pope St. John Paul II.

**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour** Saturday evening after the Vigil Mass.

## DO YOU LOVE ME?

Our first reading at Mass today follows the account of Paul's shipwreck on the coast of Malta. Notice how the crew of the ship, in order to survive, were forced to throw overboard the cargo, the ship's tackle, even the wheat which was their only sustenance. Paul urged them to place their trust in God alone, while the ship was tossed to and fro upon the waves. We too must place our trust in him alone. It is tempting to think that today's advanced technology can answer all our needs and save us from all the perils and dangers that beset us. But it is not so. At every moment of our lives we depend entirely on God, in whom we live and move and have our being. Only he can protect us from harm, only he can guide us through the storms of life, only he can bring us to a safe haven, as he did for Paul and his companions adrift off the coast of Malta.

More than any of the cargo we might carry with us – in terms of our human accomplishments, our possessions, our technology – it is our relationship with the Lord that provides the key to our happiness and our human fulfilment. And he calls us to a relationship of love. Notice the question that he put three times to Peter on the shore of the lake: "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" On the basis of Peter's affirmative response, Jesus assigns him a task – the task of feeding his flock. Here we see the basis of all pastoral ministry in the Church. It is our love for the Lord that moves us to love those whom he loves, and to accept gladly the task of communicating his love to those we serve. During our Lord's Passion, Peter denied him three times. Now, after the Resurrection, Jesus invites him three times to avow his love, in this way offering him healing and forgiveness and at the same time entrusting him with his mission. The miraculous catch of fish underlined the apostles' dependence on God for the success of their earthly projects. The dialogue between Peter and Jesus underlined the need for divine mercy in order to heal their spiritual wounds, the wounds of sin. In every area of our lives we need the help of God's grace. With him, we can do all things: without him we can do nothing.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2019

The book fills up fast, so if you would like a Mass offered for a particular intention and on a particular date, please get in touch ASAP!

## SEVEN DAY LAMPS

Seven Day Lamps are available from the Presbytery for £5 or after Sunday Masses. You can also have the Sanctuary Lamps burning for a particular intention of yours. Envelopes to arrange this are at the back of the church.

## SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

If you'd like to come and talk about your spiritual life, as a one-off or a possibly ongoing relationship, please have a word with Fr Alan; he'd be delighted to hear from you.

## 52<sup>ND</sup> INTERNATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

This is to take place on 13<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> September 2020 in Budapest. Fr Alan will be attending a planning meeting this week, Wednesday through Saturday but back in the parish for the weekend Masses. Please pray for all of those who are working on this event – and think whether **you** could come and be part of it in September 2020. More information soon.

## ANOTHER WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY FROM GOD

Each year we celebrate Lent – and try, with greater effort and discernment, to live our Catholic life in a manner which means we will arrive at Easter more enthused and committed. But God gives us many more opportunities to grow in faith. Traditionally, each month has a particular dedication; a different focus. The month of May is dedicated to The Blessed Virgin Mary. This gives us the whole of May to consider the place of the Blessed Virgin Mary in our lives and our dedication to Her. For none of us can live our Catholic lives without the involvement of Our Blessed Lady; the Mother of Jesus who was given to be our Mother too. If the Rosary is not part of our lives, this month gives each one of us the perfect opportunity to start afresh with this great devotion. Many of the great popes and saints were hardly ever seen without a Rosary in their hand: asking the intercession of the Blessed Virgin in all that needed doing that day. Why don't we all try it during this month – putting Our Lady at the heart of our lives, alongside Her Son. If you don't know how to pray the Rosary, have a look at <https://www.rosarycenter.org/homepage-2/rosary/how-to-pray-the-rosary/> The Rosary keeps the Saving Acts of our Redemption in our hearts and minds, and drives away the powers of evil and darkness. *Fr Alan Robinson*

## SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Sodality Mass is at **6.30pm Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June** and our guest preacher will be **Fr David Barnes**, Parish Priest of our neighbouring parish of Ss Anselm & Caecilia in Holborn. The confraternity meets on a monthly basis for Mass, Adoration and Benediction, adoring Jesus truly present in the Blessed Sacrament and the Mass is offered for the intentions of members. Leaflets containing application forms are available at the back of the church, or visit [sodality.co.uk](http://sodality.co.uk)

## CORPUS CHRISTI CELEBRATIONS 2019

This week we were delighted to announce that **His Eminence, Francis Cardinal Arinze** will be coming from Rome to celebrate a Pontifical High Mass of Corpus Christi in the Extraordinary Form on **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm**. This Mass will open our annual Forty Hours Devotion which will run until the closing Mass on **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> at 12noon**, celebrated by **Bishop Michael Campbell**, Bishop Emeritus of Lancaster. The Solemnity of Corpus Christi will be kept on **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 11am**, followed by a Procession of the Blessed Sacrament around Covent Garden. Everyone is most welcome at all the Masses. More details nearer the time.

### Our sick parishioners and friends

Bunny France, Collette Nevens, Peter Noakes, Tony Pearce, Mgr Frederik Miles, Francis Bodis, David Jordan, Bill Tomlinson, Christopher Browne, Margaret Griffith, Pascal James, Jean Bernard, Brian Keenan, Sid Shepherd, Terry Miles, John Hughes, Warren Peterson, Nicholas Pollock, Jack Ward, Traute Pollock, Noël Tobin, Geoff Smale, David Michael Barrett, Christopher Browne, John Lynch, Peter Georgeson, Colin Folan, Ann Gorman, Janet Seeley, Margaret Hopley DGCHS

**Of your charity – please pray for those who have died recently:** Mary Muir, Gedeon Egbert Woodworth, Anthony Pearce, Anthony Shanagher, Mgr Edwin Barnes, Fr Adrian Walker, Sheila Gaeton, Jean Teresa Wadsworth, Sebastian Jeans, Maureen Goodey, Mark Gregory Kay, Maria-Stella Ngombe, Bishop Friedrich Ostermann, Rosaleen Hunt, Craig, Fr. Michael Durand, Fr Philip Mathias, Jean-Louis Cardinal Tauran, Rosa Silvester, Fr James Minogue, Marie Fe Loreno Ruiz, Fr Patrick Sammon, Dennis Gunn, Bishop Francis Walmsley, Sergio Alves