

### RECTORY

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### THE ACTORS' CHURCH

National Church for Catholic Actors

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*This parish is part of the WRCDDT  
Registered Charity Number 233699*

### WEEKLY GIVING

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2019  
Loose £482.96  
Envelopes £64.00

*Thank you for your continued  
generous support*

### THE LAMPS ARE BURNING FOR:

#### SANCTUARY LAMPS

Fr Cosmas Omboto Ondari MHM  
Fr John Njoroge Muhia – RIP  
Arnel Marquez & the Sick  
Christina Griffiths – RIP  
Mary Baldwin & Family – Welfare  
Dixon Family – Thanksgiving  
Martin King – RIP

#### LADY CHAPEL

Emma Woodworth

*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 – 26<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2019

### ✠ SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

#### SUNDAY 26<sup>TH</sup>

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

*(Ps Week 2)*

*Pro Populo*

*Luis Oriola – Intentions*

#### MONDAY 27<sup>TH</sup>

#### ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, BISHOP

10.00am Mass  
6.30pm Mass – Extraordinary Form

*Diego & Teresa Foyo – Anniversaries*

#### TUESDAY 28<sup>TH</sup>

#### EASTER FERIA

1.05pm Mass

*Bernadette Pollock – sick*

#### WEDNESDAY 29<sup>TH</sup>

#### ST PAUL VI, POPE

1.05pm Mass

*Jana van Loon – sick*

#### THURSDAY 30<sup>TH</sup>

#### ✠ THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

8.00am Mass – Extraordinary Form  
12.05pm Mass  
1.05pm Mass  
6.30pm Solemn Sung Mass

*Private Intention*

*Rabeal Gabrasadig RIP*

*Private Intention – sick*

*Pro Populo*

#### FRIDAY 31<sup>ST</sup>

#### THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

1.05pm Mass

*Adrian O'Callaghan – sick*

*(Friday Abstinence)*

#### SATURDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> JUNE

#### ST JUSTIN, MARTYR

9.00am Church Cleaning  
6.00pm Vigil Mass

*Foundation Mass*

#### SUNDAY 2<sup>ND</sup>

#### ✠ SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

*(Ps Week 3)*

*Pro Populo*

*Adrian O'Callaghan – sick*

#### 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.

### THERE'S ALWAYS SOMETHING GOING ON

When we think about significant moments in the life of the Church, we might well have Christmas or Easter in our minds. They are great feasts which, in some obscure way, are still celebrated in our secular society – devoid of any real meaning, but still stuck in the consciousness of our nation as good family time to be enjoyed. But all through the year there are events which have particular meaning to all Catholics and various groups of Catholics. In May we turn to Our Blessed Lady, and try to make more of an effort to invite Her into our Catholic Life. I know many of you have tried to offer a Rosary each day during this month. Today is the feast day of St Philip Neri, the founder of the Oratorians. An important feast this year as we await expectantly for the Canonisation of John Henry Newman. Now June approaches, which is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This is an important month for us at Corpus Christi. For the place where we encounter the Sacred Heart is in the Eucharist: at the celebration of the Mass or in the Tabernacle. Later this month, we celebrate the great Solemnity of Corpus Christi – full details of our celebrations are opposite. On 27<sup>th</sup> June, we celebrate the Solemnity of St John Southworth, Priest and Martyr. He exercised his ministry in Westminster, and was executed at Tyburn for exercising his ministry as a Catholic Priest. His earthly remains are in Westminster Cathedral, and exposed in a solemn manner on his feast day. At 12.00noon, on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June, there is a Solemn Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in the Cathedral, to which **every** priest in England and Wales has been invited to participate. This is a great opportunity for the clergy to re-dedicate themselves and their Priesthood to the Heart of Jesus. There will be a special celebration of the Sacred Heart here at Corpus Christi at **6:30pm** that same evening. Please do come along.

So let's grasp the opportunities God offers to each one of us – that they may draw us nearer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

### ANOTHER WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY FROM GOD

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.

### 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.

### ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

This coming **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May** is the Solemnity of the Ascension of Our Lord. This is a **Holy Day of Obligation** and Mass here will be at 8.00am (EF), 12.05pm, 1.05pm and 6.30pm (Solemn Sung). Lots of Masses to help you fulfil your obligation!

### PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

We all need to make plans for life – and we also need to make plans for death. A very good thing to have is called a **Letter of Wishes**. A Letter of Wishes is a document that accompanies our Wills. It is not legally binding but can guide our executors and trustees to ensure our personal wishes are carried out. We must take care that a Letter of Wishes does not contain anything that could conflict with our Wills. The Letter of Wishes can advise on anything – but for a Catholic, can be used to ensure that we receive the type of Requiem/Funeral that we would like. It can be used to advise those who will be making the funeral arrangements after we have died, with regard to music, readings, who does what during the Funeral, the priest to celebrate, the preacher... and many other things. I'm going to draw up a sheet to help all of us to think about these arrangements. If you would like to come and talk with me about these things, then please do ask me. Don't leave it! *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. Pick up a flyer at the back of the church.

### 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.

### 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!

### Our sick parishioners and friends

Bunny France, Collette Nevens, Peter Noakes, Tony Pearce, Mgr Frederik Miles, 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:** Martin King, 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 Lorenzo Ruiz,