



Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Church  
**THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST (Year A)**

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<b>MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS</b>		
<b>THE MOST HOLY BODY &amp; BLOOD OF CHRIST</b>		
<b>KINDLY PARTICIPATE VIA ONLINE LIVESTREAMING AT</b> <a href="https://www.olionline.co.uk">https://www.olionline.co.uk</a>		
13 Sat <i>Vigil of Corpus Christi</i>	18.30	Lourdes D'Souza – WB ( <i>Trutwein</i> )
14 Sun <i>Corpus Christi</i>	10.00	<i>Pro Populo</i> <b>Day for Celebrating the Sacredness of Life</b>
	17.00	<i>Exposition of Blessed Sacrament</i>
<b>11<sup>TH</sup> WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME</b>		
<b>EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION: Monday – Friday at 8.30am</b>		
15 Mon <i>Feria</i>	9.30	Mr & Mrs Arthur Chester–RIP ( <i>FM</i> )
16 Tues <i>Feria</i>	9.30	Ron Frost – RIP ( <i>J. Frost</i> )
	19.00	<b>Cancelled</b>
17 Wed <i>Feria</i>	9.30	Robert Alford –RIP ( <i>M. Sosimi</i> )
	19.00	<b>Cancelled</b>
18 Thurs <i>Feria</i>	7.00	<b>Cancelled</b>
	9.30	Charles Rau – RIP ( <i>P. Poulter</i> )
19 Fri <i>Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</i>	9.30	Mary Muffetts– Recovery ( <i>Houston</i> )
20 Sat <i>Immaculate Heart of Mary</i>	9.00	Mary Wards – Recovery ( <i>Houston</i> )
<b>TWELFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A)</b>		
20 Sat <i>Vigil</i>	18.30	Frances Powell – RIP ( <i>E. Powell</i> )
21 Sun <i>Day of Prayer for Human Life</i>	10.00	Alexius Yap – RIP ( <i>C. Yap</i> )
	18.00	<b>Cancelled</b>

<b>OTHER SERVICES - CANCELLED</b>	
<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>	Saturday: 9.30-10am & 5.30-6.15pm
<b>St Anthony of Padua</b>	Tuesday: after AM & PM Masses
<b>Our Lady of Perpetual Help</b>	Wednesday: after PM Mass
<b>Our Lady of Fatima</b>	1st Saturday of the month

<b>COVID-19 PRAYER INTENTION OF THE WEEK</b>
That our First Holy Communion Candidates, their parents and catechists may continue to grow in faith, hope and love while waiting to receive the most holy sacrament in the near future.
<b>EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION &amp; BENEDICTION</b>
To mark the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ ( <i>Corpus Christi</i> ), there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction <b>on Sunday at 5pm</b> . The service will be live streamed. All are invited to take part.

**I AM THE LIVING BREAD FROM HEAVEN...**







The solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ – *Corpus Christi* is one of the major feasts of the Lord in the liturgical year. Traditionally celebrated on the Thursday after Trinity Sunday, it commemorates the *Real Presence* of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist, the Blessed Sacrament. Faith in the real presence is fundamental to the Church's teaching on the Eucharist as the source and summit of the Christian life. The Eucharist is the Sacrament of sacraments: the other sacraments and pastoral activities of the Church are all attached to and lead towards the holy eucharist since, it "holds within itself the whole spiritual treasure of the Church, namely Christ himself, our passover and out living bread, who through his flesh, now made alive and life-giving by the Spirit, offers life to human beings, who are in turn invited and drawn to offer themselves, their labours and all creation with him" (Vatican II).

The scriptural readings of today's Mass all help us to enter into the depths of the mystery of the Lord's presence in the Blessed Sacrament. The first reading (Deut 8:2-3,14-16), Moses reminds the people of Israel of how God fed them with *manna* in the desert during their forty-year journey towards the promise land (see Ex 16). Its 'mysterious' origin did not only give this food its name, *manna* (literally, 'What is it?' in Hebrew), but also its description by the Jews as *bread from heaven*. Jesus appropriates this event and imagery in his discourse on himself as the bread of life in John 6. Today's Gospel (vs. 51-58) is from the last part of that dialogue. Against the discontent of the Jews about his claim to be the bread from heaven, Jesus emphatically states "This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever." In a way, the manna in the desert prefigured the Eucharist, the body and blood of Christ.

Yet the question by the Jews, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' still remained! It would, however, be 'largely' answered at the Last Supper (Mk 14:22-25; Lk 22:18-20), when Jesus took bread, blessed, broke and gave it to his disciples saying, "This is my body," and with the cup of wine, "This is my blood of the new covenant." And commanded them, "Do this in memory of me," (Lk 22:19b; 1 Co 11:23-25), thus, mandating the apostles (and the Church) to continue to re-enact this sacred ritual until his second coming (1 Co 11:26). Hence St Paul in the second reading (1 Co 10:16-17): "The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ." Through receiving him in the Eucharist, Jesus draws us into communion with himself (and with the Father and the Holy Spirit), "He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him" (the Gospel) and with one another – "The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf" (the second reading).

By receiving the Holy Eucharist, we become truly the body of Christ. As St Augustine intuits, we receive what we are and are invited to become what we receive. Consequently, like Christ has made himself present to us in the sacrament of the altar, we who celebrate and partake of the bread of angels, are invited to become, in turn, the sacrament of God's presence to our brothers and sisters, especially to the poor, the vulnerable and people on the margins. Also, proclaiming and celebrating the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist reminds us of the dignity of human life (particularly the human body) and the reverence with which it should be treated at all times. For the same body and blood which was formed by the Holy Spirit in the womb of the Virgin Mary and sacrificed on the Cross for our salvation, is the flesh and blood which is made present and received sacramentally in the sacrifice of the Holy Mass. **IAE**

<b>NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS</b>	
<b>1ST READING</b>	Jeremiah 20:10-13
<b>2ND READING</b>	Romans 5:12-15
<b>GOSPEL</b>	Matthew 10:26-33

PRAYERS REMEMBRANCE		PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS	
	<b>Please remember in your prayers all those who have recently died</b> , especially John J Reddan, and those whose anniversaries are remembered at this time. May they rest in peace. Amen	<b>RE-OPENING OF THE CHURCH FOR PRIVATE PRAYER</b>	
	<b>Please remember and pray for the sick, the housebound and all who care for them, especially those within our own parish community:</b> Vanessa Andrew, Martin Dray, Anthony Durkin, Sue Ewen, Pauline Ferrara, Ann Groves, Thomas Haley, Heather & George Trutwein, Yvonne Norman, Esme Mills, Sharon Kelly, Irene Keane, Frances Cox, Mary Ryan, Betty Harte, Antonio Ciaiola, Joan McGovern, Rita Reginald, Jan Leightley, Elizabeth Saunders., Thomas O'Connor, Jimmy Simon, Ron Malone, Sarah Mills, Samar Staussi, Annita Smith, and Ann-Marie Deasy.	From Monday 15th June, places of worship may re-open as long as they adhere to certain restrictions and instructions about the movement of people. As a result, Archbishop John has issued detailed guidelines to be strictly followed throughout the diocese. Preparations are taking place in OLI at the moment to prepare the building, but we need your help if we are actually to re-open. <b>HELP NEEDED:</b> One of the requirements is that we must have two stewards in the building at all times to make sure people adhere to social distancing, use hand sanitiser on entry and exit, and so on (full instructions would be provided). We will only be allowed to re-open if we have enough volunteers (NB not those classed as "vulnerable" to Covid-19). If you can help, please email / phone the Parish Office (tolworth@rcaos.org.uk) or Andrew (akr@andrewkrichardson.co.uk) with the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Your contact details (name, email address &amp; phone number).</li> <li>•What day (Monday – Sunday) and time (morning, afternoon or evening) you can help.</li> <li>•Any particular day of the week you can commit to.</li> </ul>	
CONTINUING WEEKLY COLLECTIONS		It would be easier if people could generally commit to the same slot each week (but not essential).	
	<i>In this time of uncertainty and as we will no longer have a weekly collection, please seriously consider making your regular contribution to the Church via standing order (form available at <a href="http://olionline.co.uk">olionline.co.uk</a>), cash donation (envelope through Presbytery door) or by online banking: <b>RCAS Our Lady Immaculate Church, Account Number: 06467032; Sort Code: 60-21-05.</b> Thank you.  <i>Please, if you are not a member of the gift aid scheme, kindly add NGA to your payment reference.</i>  <b>Thank you for your generosity to your parish.</b></i>	Once we have a list of volunteers, we will contact you to arrange a rota. Please do get in touch as soon as possible. Thank you.	
INFANT BAPTISM		<b>FROM THE PARISH LENTEN PROJECT COMMITTEE</b>	
	Please contact the Parish Office for information pack & to register for the pre-baptism course. <b>Next course:</b> TBA	Once again, the Parish has supported the Lenten Project with characteristic generosity and enthusiasm. In a typical year we have around 24 different events and activities. Due to Covid-19, however, we are not now able to complete the events we had planned. We had hoped only to postpone them and proceed with them when the current restrictions are over. On current advice, it does not look like there will be a sufficient relaxation of social distancing to allow large events to take place. If, later in the year, there is a relaxation we are going to organise a large multi-cultural event to give thanks to all those who have worked selflessly to care for us and provide us with sustenance.	
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION		We are still keen to support the charities we adopted this year and so, if you would like to make a donation equivalent to what you would have spent at the events, or on the raffle, you will see below the various methods by which you can do so.	
	<b>1. Next Children's Session:</b> Next date TBA. <b>2. Rehearsal:</b> Next date TBA.	<b>Methods of making a donation:</b> 1. Online donation at <a href="https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/olilentenproject">https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/olilentenproject</a> 2. Making a donation through the Lenten Boxes. To do this you will need to put the contents of your box into an envelope, carefully flatten the box and place that in the envelope too and put through the Presbytery letter box. The envelope needs to be marked 'Lenten Project Box'. If Gift-aiding the donation the label on the box needs to be completed. 3. Placing a donation into an envelope marked 'Lenten Project Donation' and place through the Presbytery letter box. The raffle too has been cancelled. If you are a parent of OLI School and you received a book of raffle tickets in school bags, please DO NOT return them. You are, of course, welcome to donate the same amount should you wish to. The Parish Lenten Project began in 1971 as the focal point to assist parish groups with Lenten observances. Many charities have benefited from the £427,300 raised to 2019. Next year is our 50th anniversary. If anyone has any ideas how we can mark our anniversary, please email Phil Townsend at <a href="mailto:townsend4@blueyonder.co.uk">townsend4@blueyonder.co.uk</a>	
SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2020		<b>Parish Lenten Project Committee.</b>	
	<b>Candidates Meeting:</b> Next date TBA	<b>DONATIONS TO FOODBANK</b>	
IF YOU GIVE TO THE CHURCH BY GIFT AID		Please leave your donations in the boxes provided in the following locations: <b>The Old Chapel (9am – 6pm) &amp; 313 Ewell Road.</b> <b>URGENTLY NEEDED FOOD ITEMS:</b> cereal instant mash, juice, tinned meat, fish & spaghetti, biscuits, noodles, rice, pasta, tea and coffee.	
If you give to the Church by weekly envelopes, we encourage you to switch to monthly standing orders from your bank. A bank mandate form can be downloaded from the Gift Aid section of the Parish website or obtained from Allan Cook <a href="mailto:tolworthgac@rcaos.org.uk">tolworthgac@rcaos.org.uk</a> or telephone 020 8399 4368. For 2nd collections and to give to the clergy at Easter and Christmas, you can make individual online payments to the same account quoting your Gift Aid number and the cause to which you are giving. Parishioners who do not belong to the Gift Aid scheme can give to the Church by online transfer from their bank (details on the left column); please, kindly add the reference NGA (Non-Gift Aid)			
OLI COVID-19 VOLUNTEER GROUP			
Please if you need help in this difficult time contact: <b>07384276821</b>			
APPEAL FOR SURBITON CHILDREN CENTRE			
The Surbiton Children Centre is running low on their stock of colouring pencils and paper pads for the children. If you would like to help, please place your donation in the foodbank box in the Old Chapel or at the presbytery. Thank you for your support.			