



**THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (B)**

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**MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS**

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**YOU CAN ALSO PARTICIPATE VIA ONLINE LIVESTREAMING AT <https://www.olionline.co.uk>**

05 Sat <i>Vigil</i>	18.30	Dinak & Anu Peiris – W/D Annv.
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06 Sun <i>Corpus Christi</i>	9.00	Sally Queenan – RIP ( <i>M C Taylor</i> )
	11.00	Stevens' Family – WB
	18.00	<i>Pro Populo</i> – For the People

**TENTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME (CYCLE 1)**

**EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION: Monday – Friday at 8.30am**

07 Mon <i>Feria</i>	9.30	Thanksgiving ( <i>F &amp; S DeSouza</i> )
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08 Tues <i>Feria</i>	9.30	Apraim Srampickal – RIP ( <i>25 Annv</i> )
	19.00	Tissera ( <i>Special Intention</i> )

09 Wed <i>Feria</i>	9.30	Carmen Navarro – RIP
	19.00	Souls in Purgatory ( <i>L Confait</i> )

10 Thurs <i>Feria</i>	7.00	Spiritual & Temp WB of all Priests
	9.30	Thomas & Elizabeth Wilson – Annv ( <i>L Jones</i> )

11 Friday <i>The Most Sacred Heart</i>	7.00	Holy Souls
	9.30	Barbra Niedzielak – RIP ( <i>1<sup>st</sup> Annv</i> )

12 Sat <i>Immaculate Heart of Mary</i>	9.00	Karen Lau – RIP
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**ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (B)**

12 Sat <i>Vigil</i>	18.30	Satianand Teka – RIP
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13 Sun	9.00	Philomena Effiong – RIP ( <i>1<sup>st</sup> Annv</i> )
	11.00	Michael Crowley – RIP ( <i>J Crowley</i> )
	18.00	K P George – RIP ( <i>I George</i> )

**OTHER SERVICES**

<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>	Saturday: 9.30-10am & 5.30-6.15pm
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<b>St Anthony of Padua</b>	<b>Tuesday:</b> after morning and evening Masses
<b>Our Lady of Perpetual Help</b>	<b>Wednesday:</b> after morning and evening Masses

<b>Our Lady of Fatima</b>	1st Saturday of the month
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**LIVESTREAMING CONTINUES**

The dispensation from Sunday obligation granted by the Bishops Conference at the onset of the lockdown is still in place till further notice. Livestreaming of all weekday and Sunday Masses will also continue so that those who may not yet consider it safe for them to attend Mass in person, especially over the weekend, can participate virtually.

**THIS IS MY BODY ... THIS IS MY BLOOD!**

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ was established as a universal feast in the Catholic Church by Pope Urban IV in 1264. The main goal of the feast was to publicly proclaim and manifest the Church's faith in the real presence of Christ in the Eucharistic species of bread and wine, after the *Consecration*.

The Catholic faith in the real presence is founded especially on Jesus' words and action and his command to his disciples when, in anticipation of his sacrificial death on the cross as narrated in today's Gospel (Mk 14:12-26), he instituted the Eucharist at the Last Supper.

*"And as they were eating, he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing, he broke it and gave it to them. 'Take it,' he said, 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, 'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many'..." (Mk 14:22-24; see Mt 26:26-28; Lk 22:19-20; and 1 Co 11:23-26).*

*'This is my blood...of the covenant,'* re-echoes the ratification of the Covenant between God and the people of Israel in the first reading (Ex 24:3-8). However, as emphasized in today's second reading (Hb 9:11-15), it also surpasses that covenant since the (new) covenant about which Christ speaks is ratified not with the blood of animals, "but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us." Both Luke and Paul record Jesus' command to his disciples, *"Do this in memory of me"* (Lk 22:19; 1 Co 11:24-25). This relates to both the re-enactment of the sacrifice of Christ on the Cross at the sacrifice of the altar (the Mass) and the making present of Christ himself who, as the priest, the altar and the victim, "offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit" (Hb 9:12). Thus, St Paul would ask rhetorically: "The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a sharing in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a sharing in the body of Christ?" (1 Co 10:16). Consequently, he declares: "Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be answerable for the body and blood of the Lord" (1 Co 11:27-28). Similarly, St Augustine reminded neophytes in a sermon on Easter Day (AD 414) as follows:

That bread which you can see on the altar, sanctified by the word of God, is the body of Christ. That cup, or rather what that cup contains, sanctified by the word of God, is the blood of Christ. It was by means of these things that the Lord Christ wished to present us with his body and blood, which he shed for our sake for the forgiveness of sins" (*Sermon 227*).

The above witnesses from the scripture and St Augustine, are consistent with later development in the understanding / explanation of the change that takes place at the consecration during the Mass at which moment the bread and wine are changed substantially (*transubstantiated*) not just into the body and blood of Christ, respectively, but into the whole Christ – body, blood, soul, and divinity – thereby *truly, really, and substantially* containing him. Hence, the most Blessed Sacrament is worshipped with adoration both during and outside the Mass. This is why the Tabernacle occupies a prominent place in the architecture of a Catholic Church. The presence of a lit red lamp near it signals Christ's unique presence in the Blessed Sacrament and invites us to worship by genuflecting as we enter or leave the Church or cross from one side to another. It also reminds us to be respectful and behave with reverence. Hence, ideally, meetings or social events should not be held in the Church; if they must, then, the Blessed Sacrament should be removed. Moreover, faith in the real presence obliges us to prepare ourselves properly through prayer, fasting for an hour and, above all, regular confession of mortal sins, before we receive the Holy Eucharist. ©IAE

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

<b>1ST READING</b>	Ezekiel 17:22-24
<b>2ND READING</b>	2 Corinthians 5:6-10
<b>GOSPEL</b>	Mark 4:26-34

## PRAYERS REMEMBRANCE



Please remember in your prayers all those who have recently died, especially Fr Kevin Alban, OCarm., Mary Creighan, Atieno Rosalia, and those whose anniversaries are remembered at this time. May they rest in peace. Amen.



Please remember and pray for the sick, the housebound and all who care for them, especially those within our own parish community: Vanessa Andrew, Martin Dray, Anthony Durkin, Sue Ewen, Pauline Ferrara, Ann Groves, Thomas Haley, George Trutwein, Yvonne Norman, Esme Mills, Sharon Kelly, Frances Cox, Mary Ryan, Betty Harte, Antonio Ciaiola, Joan McGovern, Rita Reginald, Elizabeth Saunders, Thomas O'Connor, Jimmy Simon, Ron Malone, Sarah Mills, Samar Staussi, Annita Smith, Ann-Marie Deasy, Shirlene A., Ida Rebello, Kathleen & Chris McGuinness, Kathleen O'Connell, Claire Pender, Alison Vale, and Baby Penelope Brooks.

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS



### LAST WEEKEND

Non-Gift-aid: £325.28

Gift-aid: £510.05

**Total: £835.33**

*\*Excluding standing orders & online payments – the monthly total of which will be published on the first weekend of every new month.*

**Thank you for your generosity to your parish.**

Kindly consider making your regular contribution to the Church via standing order (form available at [olionline.co.uk](http://olionline.co.uk)), or by online banking:

**RCAS Our Lady Immaculate Church, Account Number: 06467032; Sort Code: 60-21-05.**

**IMPORTANT:** Please include your Gift Aid number in your online instruction to your bank. Non-Gift Aid donors, please include the letters NGA in the instruction to the bank.

Any queries? Please contact Allan Cook: [tolworthgac@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:tolworthgac@rcaos.org.uk) or 0208 8399 4368

## INFANT BAPTISM



Please contact the Parish Office for information pack & to register for the pre-baptism course.

Next course: TBA

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



Registration for the next programme is now closed.

## SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2020



**Candidates Meeting:** Suspended due to Covid restrictions. Look out for updates on this space!

## CONTACTLESS PAYMENTS

Contactless payment machines are available in the narthex whenever the Church doors are open:

Select the amount you wish to give, tap your payment card on the reader, and the payment will come through to the parish.

**You can also Gift-Aid your donation directly on it.**

Thank you for your generosity.

## PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

### CHURCH OPENING TIMES FOR PRIVATE PRAYERS

**Sunday (06/06):** 2.00pm – 3.30pm

**Monday (07/06):** 10.00am – 11.15am & 5.00pm – 6.00pm

**Tuesday (08/06):** 10.15 – 12.00pm & 4.00pm – 7.00pm

**Wednesday (09/06):** 10.30am – 1.00pm

**Thursday (10/06):** 10.30am – 12.00pm

**Friday (11/06):** 10.00am – 12.00pm

**Saturday (12/06):** 9.30am – 10.00am

### CORPUS CHRISTI – EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION

In lieu of the traditional Eucharistic Procession to mark the Solemnity of *Corpus Christi*, we will have a one-hour Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 3pm to 4pm, to be concluded with vespers (evening prayer of the Church) and benediction. All are warmly welcome.

The service will be livestreamed.



### RETURNING OF BOXES

Thank you to all who have so far returned their boxes or made donations to the Project. You may still return your boxes after Sunday Masses, or directly via the Presbytery Letter Box by collapsing and enclosing it with content into a sealed envelope.

### LENTEN PROJECT SPONSORED WALK

This year, instead of a sponsored walk event where we walked as a group, we asked Parishioners to commit to walk / run / cycle either individually, or as a family, a certain number of miles during the period of Lent.

Together with Frs. Ignatius and Joseph, many Parishioners and their families have walked / ran / cycled 3,106 miles, which is almost 5,000 kilometres! What an outstanding result!

If you would like to sponsor us, please either pop some money in an envelope and post through the Presbytery door, or use the following Justgiving site:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Our-Lady-Immaculate-Church> Many thanks for your support!

### LIFE IS HERE TO HELP!

Pregnant? Late and worried? Or suffered pregnancy loss? The charity, Life, helps 60,000+ women every year in such situations. To find out more, please visit [www.lifecharity.org.uk](http://www.lifecharity.org.uk) or contact Therese Walker at 0798 451 5947.

### DONATIONS TO FOODBANK

Please leave your donations in the boxes provided in the **Old Chapel** (9am – 6pm). **Urgently Needed Food Items:** cereals, instant mash, juice, tinned meat, fish & spaghetti, biscuits, noodles, rice, pasta, tea and coffee. Thanks.

### FREE AUDIO CASSATTES

Have you got a working cassette player? Kingston Library is giving away its entire stock of audio cassettes free of charge, after changing to CDs. Crime novels are the first category being signed off, and Cecilia Hatt will be in the Old Chapel after the 11 o'clock Mass with a selection of some of the stock. There will be more audiobooks in coming weeks.

Please note: These are audio cassettes, NOT CDs. If you have questions, please contact [ceciliahatt@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ceciliahatt@yahoo.co.uk), not the library, which is severely understaffed. This distribution of cassettes is being organised by volunteers.