

Day for Life

11.00

18.00

# Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Church

## 11 JUNE 2023 SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST - A

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#### WHEN WE EAT THIS BREAD & DRINK THIS CUP ....

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ – the feast of Corpus Christi as it is commonly called - started in France in the mid-thirteenth century. Encouraged by St Thomas Aquinas, Pope urban IV extended the feast to the whole Church in 1264.

Principally, the feast celebrates the Real Presence of Christ. It is a public manifestation through the liturgy of the Church's faith that Jesus is really, truly, and substantially present, Body, Blood, Soul, and *Divinity*, in the Holy Eucharist. It is the celebration of the mystery that is at the heart of every Eucharistic Celebration. That is, the substantial change of the bread and wine offered at the Holy Mass into the Body and Blood of Christ during the Consecration when the priest says the words of institution, that is, the words that Jesus himself pronounced over the bread and wine at the Last Supper: "... This is my Body ... This is my Blood ... Do this in memory of me" (Mt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:18-20; see 1 Co 11:24-25). This change which is called *Transubstantiation* is brought about by the power of the Holy Spirit just like through him the Eternal Word became flesh in womb of the Virgin Mary in the mystery of the incarnation (Lk 1:35; Jn 1:14). So, the Eucharist links us intimately to the incarnation and paschal mystery. The acclamation immediately after the consecration expresses this succinctly. For example, in the second option, we proclaim: "When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again."

By transforming the bread and the wine at the Last Supper into his body and blood, Jesus responded definitively to the guery of the Jews in today's Gospel (Jn 6:51-58), "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" In a similar way, he reminds us, his Church, of the importance of the Eucharist in our pilgrimage towards the banquet of eternal life in heaven of which the Eucharist is both a foretaste and a means. "I tell you most solemnly," he says to us, "if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day."

The experience of the Jews in the desert which is recalled by Moses in the first reading (Dt 8:2-3,14-16) is both echoed and surpassed at the same time in the Eucharist. Unlike the manna with which our forebears in faith were fed in the old dispensation (Jn 6:49), the Eucharist is not a figure, but the real presence and spiritual food which truly nourishes our communion with God - the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – and our communion with fellow men and women. Hence the name, Holy Communion. Thus, all who eat the one bread and drink the one cup of the Eucharist are made into one in Christ sacramentally. By the same token, they also receive the task to nurture, grow, and express that oneness in their words and actions. As St Paul stresses this in the second reading (1 Co 10:16-17), "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." This way, the recognition and reverence of the real presence of Jesus and the devout reception of him in the Holy Eucharist connects his presence in the Sacrament of the Altar with his presence in and through his Church, his holy people, "the Mystical Body of Christ" (Pius XII, Mystici Corporis (1943), §1). St Augustine emphasises this in one of his memorable homilies to neophytes on Pentecost Day when he says, "So if it's you that are the body of Christ and its members, it's the mystery, meaning you have been placed on the Lord's table; what you receive is the mystery that means you. It is what you are that you reply Amen, and by so replying you express your assent" (Sermon 272). Of course, we can only become what we eat and drink if we receive them worthily. Though the Eucharist is not a reward for the perfect, those who are privileged to partake of it must

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У	NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS		
	1ST READING	Exodus 19:2-6	
d	2ND READING	Romans 5:6-11	
	GOSPEL	Matthew 9:36-10:8	

#### MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST LIVESTREAM LINK: https://www.olionline.co.uk 18.30 Pat Buchanan (P Buchanan) 10 Saturday Vigil 09.00 Barbara Niedzielak - RIP 11 Sunday 11.00 Mary C Taylor – WB (Stevens) 18.00 WEEK 10 IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR I) **EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION:** Monday – Friday at 8.00am 12 Monday 9.30 Nancy Shea – RIP (J & J Durant) Feria 9.30 Thanksgiving - P Fazal 13 Tuesday 19.00 St Anthony 9.30 Maria Victoria - WB (Nubia) 14 Wednesday 19.00 Mary Gallagher - WB Feria 7.00 Holy Souls 15 Thursday 9.30 Thanksgiving - Anita Heerthana Feria 11.30 Requiem Mass: Maud Chandler 7.00 16 Friday Sacred Heart of 9.30 Phillis Sibley – WB (Houston) Jesus 17 Saturday 9.00 Clara TY Lee (Lily Ko) Immaculate Heart of Mary **ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - A** 18.30 Michaelina Ciesto - RIP (Maria) 17 Saturday Vigil 09.00 18 Sunday

OTHER SERVICES				
Eucharistic Exposition	Monday – Friday: 8am			
Morning Prayer (Lauds)	Monday – Friday: 9am			
Sacrament of Reconciliation	Saturday: 9.30-10am & 5.30- 6.00pm			
Youth Mass	Last Sunday: 6pm Mass			
St Anthony of Padua	Tuesday: after morning and evening Masses			
Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Wednesday: after morning and evening Masses			
Our Lady of Fatima	1st Saturday of the month			
Syro Malabar Prayer Group	1st Friday of the month: 7pm			
CHAPED DRAVED OF THE WEEK				

Denis & Ann Deasy - RIP

### SHARED PRAYER OF THE WEEK

### **Short Prayer Before the Blessed Sacrament**

I adore you Jesus, true God, and true man, present in the Holy Eucharist, kneeling before you and united in spirit with all the faithful on earth and all the saints in heaven. In gratitude for so great a blessing, I love you with all my heart, for you are worthy of all praise and adoration. Lord Jesus Christ, may I never offend you with my lack of love. May your Eucharistic presence refresh me in body and soul.

Mary, Mother of the Eucharistic Lord, pray for me and obtain for me a greater love for Jesus. Amen. (Anon)

### PRAYERS REMEMBRANCE



Please remember in your prayers all who have recently died, especially Fr Leonard Taylor, Joe Lancaster, Giuseppina Riti, Maud Chandler, Anne Shea, and those whose anniversaries occur 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 in our parish community: Vanessa Andrew, Martin Dray, Pauline Ferrara, Ann Groves, Thomas Haley, George Trutwein, Frances Cox, Mary Ryan, McGovern, Rita Reginald. O'Connor, Jimmy Simon, Sarah Mills, Samar Staussi, Annita Smith, Shirlene A., Kathleen McGuinness, Kathleen O'Connell, Claire Pender, Hazel D'Aguiar, Mary O'Mara, Eileen Cullen, Elizabeth Jones, Ray Lewry, Wendy Cook, Nivetheni Robert, Joe Ingrassi, Baby Freddie Page, Terence O'Driscoll, Clare & Baby Polly, Gerry Hague, Maureen Stephens, Maureen Sellwood, Eric Powell, Mavis Fisher, Andy Moolman, Mary L Taylor, and Ian Beard.

### **WEEKLY COLLECTIONS**



\*Excluding

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LAST WEEKEND

Non-Gift-aid: £762.75

**Gift-aid**: £316.30 **Total**: £1,079.05

### **TOTAL COLLECTION FOR MAY**

- A. Cash / cheques £4,710.42
- 1. Gift-Aided £1,376.25
- 2. Non-G/A £3,334.17
- B. Standing Orders/Bank Transfers-£3,237.77
- 1. Gift-Aided £3,137.77
- 2. Non-G/A £100.00
- C. Contactless Machine £1,050.57

Total = £8,998.76

**April:** £13,160.20 (incl. Easter – £6,443.18)

#### 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), 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. Any queries? Please contact Allan Cook: tolworthgac@rcaos.org.uk or 0208 8399 4368.

#### A MESSAGE FROM BETHLEHEM NATIVITY GROUP

"We would love to thank you for allowing our group to come to your church and sell religious articles, the result of which was very beneficial and rewarding for our needy Christian families in the Holy Land, for which £5,742.00 was raised.

We don't have a word to thank you and your parishioners, but we will make sure that you are always in our prayers.

Meanwhile, if anyone has missed the carvings display, you can place an order online directly from at <a href="https://www.tbng.co.uk">www.tbng.co.uk</a>.

May God bless you all. Amen."

### **CONGRATULATIONS**

A hearty congratulations to our twenty-two young people who were confirmed on Friday, 9 June by Canon Gerard Bradley, Episcopal Vicar for the SW Area of our Archdiocese, and the forty-seven who received the Lord for the first time in the Holy Eucharist on Saturday, 10 June!

#### PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

#### CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

There will be a mini procession after the 11am Mass on Sunday. The children who have just received First Holy Communion will be celebrating their Thanksgiving and will all take part in the procession. The procession will conclude with Benediction.

#### SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND: DAY FOR LIFE

DAY FOR LIFE is the day the Church dedicates to celebrating the sacredness of life. The collection taken on this day provides core funding for the Ascombe Bioethics Centre and to assist other life-related activities supported by the Church, usually by means of grants made to support Catholic charities working in the particular field determined by the theme of the year.

#### YOUR 11 MASS CHOIR NEEDS YOU

Men's and women's voices are needed. Please, contact Rob Howe 07939 084 797 or robert.howe@dunelm.org.uk

#### **OLI SCHOOL SUMMER CELEBRATION**

We will be celebrating our School on Saturday 17 June from 12PM-3PM. Join us for games, food, and fun!

RICHARD CHALLONER SCHOOL – FOUNDATION GOVERNOR VACANCIES: An exciting and rewarding opportunity has arisen to join Richard Challoner Board of Governors, as a Foundation Governor. If interested, please email Heather Fowler – Governance Professional on clerk@challoner.kingston.sch.uk for an application form or call 020 8330 5947 if you have any questions or wish to find out more. Deadline for applications is Monday 19 June. However, applications may close early if interest is high.

### **CATHEDRAL MASS IN CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE**

If you are celebrating your 1st/10th/25th/40th/50th/60th or any later wedding anniversary this year, you are invited to renew your marriage vows at a Mass to be celebrated at St George's Cathedral, Southwark, at 3pm on September 23. Close family members can attend with you. To receive a personal invitation from Archbishop John, either give your details to Fr Ignatius or email them to mflsw@rcaos.org.uk The details needed are full names, address, phone number, anniversary being celebrated and parish. The deadline is July 31.

### **FOOD BANK DONATIONS: RENEWED APPEAL**

"Food banks are seeing more people than ever coming to them for help, many of whom need emergency support for the first time...across the UK, local food banks gave out close to 3 million emergency food parcels last year. Over a million of these parcels were provided for children."

These are recent words of the Trussell Trust. Please continue to be generous with your food donations. All non-perishable food items are welcome. Thank you.

#### **† MAUD CHANDLER – RIP**

Kindly pray for Maud Chandler who passed on peacefully at Kingston Care Home on Monday 15 May, aged 85 years. Our condolences to Lesley and the family. May she rest in peace. Amen.

Requiem Mass: Thursday 15 June, 11.30pm.

#### **† ANNE (NANCY) SHEA - RIP**

Kindly pray for Anne (Nancy) Shea who passed on peacefully at home on Tuesday 30 May, aged 89 years. Our condolences to the family. May she rest in peace. Amen.

Requiem Mass: Friday 7 July, 12.20pm.

#### **† ESME MILLS - RIP**

Kindly pray for Esme Mills who passed on peacefully at St George's Hospital on Thursday 18 May, aged 104 years. Our condolences to Nick and the family. May she rest in peace. Amen.

Requiem Mass: Wednesday, 28 June, 12.15pm

#### † GEOFF BRAND - RIP

Kindly pray for Geoff Brand, previous President & District President of SVP in Kingston Deanery who passed on 07 May. May he rest in peace. Amen.

Funeral: Friday 14 June at St Joseph's New Malden, 10am.