



## The Holy Eucharist: Jesus in our midst

Last week's Gospel ended with the Lord's promise: "Know that I am with you always, yes, to the end of time." He fulfils this promise in many ways, but the most certain and most powerful way is the Holy Eucharist. At the Last Supper He told His disciples: "This is my Body; this is my Blood"; the disciples at Emmaus "recognised Jesus at the Breaking of Bread"; the Church has always known that this gift is truly the presence of Jesus among us. For this reason, we worship Him and – if we are blessed enough to receive Him – we do so only with the greatest care and reverence. Meeting Jesus in the Eucharist brings us closer to heaven, as Pope Saint Pius X taught early in the 20<sup>th</sup> century: "Holy Communion is the shortest way to Heaven. There are others, innocence for instance, but that is for little children; penance, but we are afraid of it; generous endurance of the trials of life, but when they approach us, we weep and pray to be delivered. Once for all, beloved children, the surest, easiest, shortest way is by the Holy Eucharist."



Pope Francis with the Blessed Sacrament.

## FOCUS ON... The Sacred Heart

This Friday is the feast of the Sacred Heart, which is the sign of the Lord's unconditional love for us. It is a day to rejoice in the simple but vital truth that God loves each of us more than we can know. Join us for Mass at 12noon; you could also come to the Eucharistic procession, which starts in school at 1:45pm.



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## MASSES THIS WEEK – Mass Book Page 85

Office: Psalter Week 1; Sundays: Year B; Weekdays: Week 9, Year 2

Date	Time	Occasion	Intention/Details	
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	6pm (vigil)	<b>THE MOST HOLY BODY &amp; BLOOD OF CHRIST (Corpus Christi)</b>	Ida Fernandes RIP	
	7pm		<i>NeoCatechumenal Way</i>	
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9:30am		Special Intention	
	6pm		Jimmy & Peter Whelan RIP	
Monday	9:15am			David Wilkinson RIP
	5:15pm			<i>Mass in hospital chapel</i>
Tuesday	7pm	St Boniface	Patrick Gallagher RIP	
Wednesday	9:15am		Kathleen Murphy RIP	
Thursday	9:15am		Jack Burton RIP	
Friday	12noon	<b>THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS</b>	Sophia Morris RIP	
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup>	10am	The Immaculate Heart of Mary	Gilbert Singleton RIP	
	6pm (vigil)	<b>TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	Mary Sinnott RIP	
	7pm (vigil)		<i>NeoCatechumenal Way</i>	
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am		Kathleen Haydock RIP	
	<b>11am</b>		<i>First Communion Mass</i>	
	6pm		Michael Magee	

**LATELY DEAD:** Please remember in your prayers **Jean McCombe**, whose funeral took place here last week, **Marie McCartney**, and all who have died recently.

### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday-Friday 7am-8am; Saturday 10:30am-12noon.

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 11am-12noon and on request.

**ROSARY:** Mysteries of Light prayed after 9:15am Mass and before 12noon Mass.

**ST ANTHONY:** money donated in the wall box during May will go to Survive-MIVA, a charity which provides transport for medical and pastoral needs overseas.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** David Wilkinson, Winifred Murtagh, Kathleen McMorrow, John Jennings, Marjorie Miller, Fr Fabien Cunliffe, Catherine Conroy, Ana Camina Lopez.

**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JUNE:** that social networks may work towards the inclusiveness which respects others for their differences.

**PARISH ASSISI PILGRIMAGE:** 27<sup>th</sup> May-1<sup>st</sup> June 2019. Introductory meeting for those interested this Sunday at 7pm in the side chapel. Full trip details to follow.

**PARISH CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION:** starts in school at 1:45pm on Friday. Please come and join the children and school staff in prayer before the Lord.

**DEANERY CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION:** This Sunday, 2pm at St Walburge's church. An opportunity to show our love for Christ in the Blessed Sacrament.

**DAY OF RENEWAL:** Fr Pat Deegan will lead this day, with the theme: "Living the joy of the Gospel". Talks, times of prayer and opportunities for healing; all are very welcome. Next Saturday (9<sup>th</sup> June), beginning with 10am Mass.

**RACE NIGHT:** This Friday, 7pm. Tickets £2, available after Masses this weekend. In aid of Lourdes Youth Fund. Please note that no food or alcohol will be served at this event, so bring your own food and alcoholic drinks, if you wish!

**CONGRATULATIONS:** to James Dalziel, baptised here in May.

**PARISH WALK TO LADYEWELL:** Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June, leaving here early afternoon; some prayers and refreshments on arrival at the shrine. More details to follow.

**CENACOLO COLLECTION:** next weekend. **FOOD BANK:** 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> June.

**CTS BOOK CLUB:** Next meeting on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm. The book for this month is the life of St Anthony of Padua. Copies are now available from Fr Andrew.

**ST CLARE'S SCHOOL ARTS WEEK:** 25<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> June. We would be very grateful if any parishioners could share their skills in painting, music, photography, calligraphy or any art form with the children. Speak to Fr Andrew for more information.

**GIFT AID:** A Gift Aid tax reclaim will be submitted shortly to HMRC. Please notify us if you are no longer a tax payer or you paid insufficient tax during 2017/18 to cover the tax that will be reclaimed on all your donations given under Gift Aid to all charities during the tax year. At the present standard rate of tax of 20%, 25p is reclaimed for every £1 donated. If you want to join the scheme, please ask!

**MILES FOR SYRIA:** The overall total for Syria now stands at over £15,000. Visit [www.justgiving.com/fundraising/milesforsyria](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/milesforsyria) to donate online.

**200 CLUB:** A list of winners for May is displayed in the narthex.

**LOURDES YOUTH COLLECTION:** raised a total of £1492.50. If you've not yet had chance to contribute, further donations (in marked envelopes) are welcome.

**CHURCHES TOGETHER EVENING STROLL:** 20<sup>th</sup> June (World Refugee Day). Meet at the Sherwood at 7:30pm. The stroll is about a mile and a half through Mason Wood and then back to the pub for "conviviality".

**LAST SUNDAY:** Attended: 427; Collection: £1016.78; Thank you.

## Events this week (one off/occasional events in bold type)

Day	Time	What?	Where?
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	10:30am	After-Mass tea and coffee	Parish Hall
	2pm	<b>Deanery Corpus Christi Procession</b>	St Walburge's
	7pm	Anointed/Sent Groups (years 7-11)	Parish Hall
	7pm	<b>Assisi 2019 Pilgrimage Meeting</b>	Chapel
Tue-Fri	9am	Pre-school	Parish Hall
	3:20pm	After-school club	Parish Hall
Tuesday	7:30pm	Prayer Group	Chapel
	7:30pm	<b>Fabric and Finance Committee</b>	Presbytery
Wednesday	9:45am	After-Mass tea and coffee	Narthex
	6pm	Seekers (school years 4-6)	Parish Hall
	7pm	NCW Liturgy of the Word	Chapel/Narthex
Thursday	3:30pm	<b>First Communion Preparation</b>	Narthex
	6:15pm	Beavers	Parish Hall
Friday	1:45pm	<b>Parish Corpus Christi Procession</b>	Meet in school
	7pm	<b>Race Night</b>	Parish Hall
Sat/Sun	At Mass	<b>Cenacolo Collection</b>	House porch
Saturday	9am	Pilates	<b>School</b>
	10:30am	Spanish Class	<b>School</b>
	10:30am	<b>Day of Renewal: Fr Pat Deegan</b>	Parish Hall
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	9:30am	Children's liturgy	At Mass
	10:30am	After-Mass tea and coffee	Parish Hall
	7pm	Anointed/Sent Groups (years 7-11)	Parish Hall

### Advance Diary Dates:

17<sup>th</sup> June: Confirmations at 6pm Mass; first visit of Bishop Paul to our parish

25<sup>th</sup> June: Commentated Mass, 7:30pm

29<sup>th</sup> June: Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Holy Day of Obligation

3<sup>rd</sup> July: Talk on the Eucharist, Sacrament of Charity, 7:30pm

12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> July: 40 Hours Solemn Exposition (Quarant'ore)

16<sup>th</sup> July: Evening devotions and social to mark St Clare's birthday

### SUMMER FAIR – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June, 3:30-6:30pm

**SUMMER DRAW TICKETS** enclosed in this bulletin-please do your best to sell these. **DONATIONS** of cash, bottles of wine or spirits, chocolates for raffle prizes are welcome. **SCHOOL** will be collecting toys books sweets and bottles.