



THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

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NEWS and VIEWS 22/21

6 June 2021

Corpus Christi (B)

Tenth week in Ordinary Time Vol III psalter week 2

This Sunday's Readings:

Exodus 24:3-8

Psalm 115:12-13.15-18

Hebrews 8:11-15

Mark 14:12-16.22-26

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

This Sunday, 6 June, is the Feast of Corpus Christi, a Holyday of Obligation. On the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ we celebrate the Real Presence of the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ in the elements of the Eucharist.

OPENING OF THE CHURCH

The church is now open throughout the day (weekdays) between the 10am and 6.30pm Masses, and between 10am and 8pm Masses on Sundays.

The church capacity has been increased with social distancing of 1 metre plus in pews with 4 people to a pew unless from the same household/bubble. Stewards will continue to be at all Masses but will no longer cover private prayer.

We will also reinstate the following:

- Exposition will be on Wednesday and Fridays after the 10am until noon and from 5.30-6.20pm.
- Candle stands and votive candles will be available. Holy water stoups will remain empty until further notice. Statues are now allowed to be touched again for veneration but, please, do not kiss the statues.
- You are asked to continue to wear face masks and use hand gel when entering the church. *Track & Trace* to be completed by QR code or paper forms for all Masses and funerals. The form will no longer be required for private prayer or Saturday Confessions.
- For funerals, the numbers on how many can attend a funeral service is open with no restrictions. Priests can now use holy water and incense during the service.

- Confessions will currently continue in the back chapels from 10.30-11.30am and 6-6.20pm on Saturdays and 6-6.20 Monday - Friday.

Please note that there will be no confessions after the 10am Mass on Saturdays 12 June and 19 June. Extended confession time on those two dates will be from 5.30-6.20pm.

Sunday Masses: Vigil Mass on Saturday at 6.30pm, Sunday Masses at 10am, 12noon, 5pm and 8pm.

Masses will also continue to be live streamed daily on <https://www.churchservices.tv/wimbledon> at the following times: Sundays 10am & 8pm, weekdays including Saturdays 10am & 6.30pm.

For further information please visit the parish website <https://www.sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk> or telephone the Presbytery (020 8946 0305) between 9.30am and 4pm on weekdays.

NOVENA TO THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

The Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus commenced on Thursday 3 June and will end on Friday the 11th of June, the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Please find the daily prayers as an attachment to this N&V.

UPDATE ON USING THE PARISH HALLS - THE PARISH 'ROADMAP' OUT OF LOCKDOWN

We are delighted to report to parishioners and parish voluntary organisations that face-to-face meetings and activities may now take place again and that the parish halls are open. These may be once again be booked through Thelma, subject to following the latest Covid guidance and regulations. Happily, normal life is slowly resuming!

Under 18s: since 17 May any educational or social group for under 18s may meet, indoors or outdoors, without limitation but must take into account the respective limits for the halls: Upper Hall (76), Lower Hall 34, Lounge (12).

Over 18s: until further notice, meetings for over 18s may take place indoors or outdoors in groups of no more than 15 (30 for activities related to the life of the Parish). Please note that this number **excludes** staff, volunteers, catechists and carers.

For new bookings for the halls, please email Thelma (thelma@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk) for the booking and risk assessment (RA) forms which need to be signed and returned. When the RA forms have been approved, the event is booked in and entered into the events calendar. George McLennan will go over the Health & Safety form and sign off when the keys are collected for the hall by the event organiser.

More detailed guidance is available from the Parish office.

IN NEED OF PRAYERS

Please pray for those who are sick, Laurie Cromwell, Robin Lathey, Nancy Drapper, Christopher Browne, Patricia Small, Electa Almeida, Catherine Gap, Patricia Codd, Justin Pedler, Maria Moniz, Simon Wood, Pamela Hannigan, Samar Staussi, David Carrier, Oscar Carrier-Sippy, Andrew Tan, Ian Parr, Harriette Cahill and Paul Saunders.

We pray for those who have died recently, and all who have died due to the effects of the Coronavirus, Shaun McCarthy, Susan Curmi and Helen Kaegler.

We remember all whose anniversary occurs at this time: Siobhan Allchurch, Daphne Coovadia, Ellen Worth, Meytilia Titre, Frances Clarke, Owen McGovern, Pauline Ellison-Rich, Maureen Hopley, Yvonne Patton and Elisabeth Carbery.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

As the children of our parish prepare for the celebration of their First Holy Communion, we are called to continue to keep them and their families in our prayers over the next weeks.

SACRED HEART ENVIRONMENT GROUP

The SH Environment Group would like to let you know about an initiative to make our streets greener run by the Merton Climate Action Group. Street and front garden planting is encouraged to improve community well-being and to deliver important environmental benefits (increasing wildlife, improving air quality, helping to prevent flooding). The next community planting dates are scheduled for 19 June and 17 July, with flexibility for street specific dates. If you would like to volunteer to coordinate planting activities in your street, want to get in touch with your local street coordinator or find out more please visit www.frontgardenfriendly.uk/Mertongardenstreets or contact cag.greeningmerton@gmail.com or Alexandra Thurston from the parish environment group (amathurston@hotmail.com)

There will be a limited supply of donations of peat free compost, pots, seeds and seedlings of bee friendly plants including fruit and vegetable plants if needed.

PARISH BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

So many people have suffered bereavement during the Covid-19 restrictions. Many were unable to be with loved ones as they died. Lockdown prevented attendance at funerals of family and friends. The Bereavement Support Group wants you to know that it is here for you to share your loss and loneliness. If you would like to talk to one of us, please feel welcome to contact Sadie Smith (020 8946 5198 or sadiesmith3@talktalk.net).

SOME DEFINITE SERVICE - PARISH PLANS

How could our parish benefit from *Some Definite Service*, our response to Archbishop John's call to be an '*evangelising and missionary archdiocese?*' No parish is the same and we have a rich and diverse range across the diocese. The diocese wants to recognise all the good work that is already being undertaken and then reflect together to see the areas where growth is possible. For more information, please visit aec.rcaos.org.uk/sds.

D-DAY 6 JUNE

2021 marks the 77th anniversary of D-Day and the Battle of Normandy. A series of major commemorations paying tribute to the heroes who came from far and wide to restore freedom to Europe is planned to mark this historic occasion. To find out more about events planned in the UK (and at various locations along the Normandy coast) please visit <https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/remembrance/remembrance-events/d-day>.

A DAY FOR PRAYER AND SOLIDARITY 11 – 13 JUNE 2021

The Jesuits are adding their voice to the many individuals and groups in the Church and civil society which are advocating for equity and justice in the production and distribution of vaccines especially for marginalised and vulnerable communities all over the world. You can find out more about this initiative and ways that you can support it by going to <https://jesuitmissions.org.uk/vaccine-justice/>

A DAY WITH MARY

The open days of prayer will resume in July (subject to change, due to government guidelines). *A Day with Mary* emphasizes worship of the Blessed Sacrament and devotion to Our Lady. You are welcome to join the event for a little while or for the whole day. It includes the Mass, Scripture, Rosary, Meditations on the Passion, Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction, Processions of the Blessed Sacrament and of Our Lady, Act of Consecration, Theological Instructions, Hymns, a programme on the story of Fatima (where advertised) and periods of rest with refreshments. The Sacrament of Penance is readily available. For any DWM information please visit www adaywith mary.org.

VACANCIES

LALEHAM LEA NURSERY: Level 3 Early Years Practitioner is required at Laleham Lea Nursery, Purley, Surrey (www.lalehamlea.co.uk), for September 2021, NVQ Level 3/NNEB/BTEC Nat Dip/ CACHE Dip in Childcare required (plus Paediatric First Aid Training). Please contact Mrs Strachan for an application pack: sbm@lalehamlea.co.uk or 020 8660 3351. Closing date for applications is Friday 11 June. All appointments are subject to a satisfactory enhanced DBS check and other relevant employment checks.

CARDINAL NEWMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL: Lay Chaplain required for September 202, 37 hrs/week, term time only, permanent. Application forms are available from the school website (www.cncs.co.uk) or by emailing hroffice@cncs.co.uk or calling 01273 558551; closing date Tuesday 15 June.

THE PRISON ADVICE AND CARE TRUST (PACT) are currently seeking a Volunteering Manager. Through the new Faith in Action programme 'Just People', they are seeking to provide opportunities for Catholics, Christians and whole parish communities to explore and deepen their faith and sense of lived discipleship by connecting people with opportunities to serve as volunteers. Their aim is to provide practical support and accompaniment for people who are often marginalised and excluded.

The charity is seeking a person of faith who has an understanding of the Church alongside a strong commitment to Catholic Social Teaching. They should also be a good communicator with project planning and implementation experience. Working across a number of dioceses, the successful candidate will liaise closely with volunteering and management colleagues across the London and South East region, specifically in the dioceses of Westminster, Southwark and Arundel and Brighton; 37.5 hrs/week, closing date Thursday 17 June 2021. For more info visit <https://www.prisonadvice.org.uk/current-vacancies>.

Every blessing on you all.

Canon John

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK			
Sat	5 June	6.30pm	Norbert D'Costa Birthday Ints.
Mon	7 June	10.00am	Cecilia Suarez Birthday Ints.
		6.30pm	George Mirandah RIP
Tue	8 June	10.00am	Patricia Wilbraham RIP
		6.30pm	William Harkness RIP
Wed	9 June	10.00am	Owen Francis McGovern RIP
		6.30pm	George McLennan Ints.
Thu	10 June	10.00am	George Smith RIP
		6.30pm	Michael Paice RIP
Fri	11 June	10.00am	Ruth Vogt RIP
		6.30pm	Michael Paice RIP
Sat	12 June	10.00am	Jenny Cairns Private Ints.

SAFEGUARDING

It is the policy of the Catholic Church in England and Wales to report all allegations of abuse to statutory authorities, regardless of whether the abuse occurred recently or in the past, or whether the accused person is living or deceased. If you are concerned about the welfare of a child or adult at risk, do not delay in contacting the police, using 999 if a child or adult is believed to be in immediate danger. Further safeguarding information can be found on the parish website.

HOSPITAL CONTACTS

If you or a member of your family are admitted to one of the local hospitals, do please let the hospital's Catholic chaplain know.

St George's Hospital: Fr Mark Higgins (020 8725 3069).

St Heliers and Epsom Hospital: Fr Philip Pak (020 8296 2000)

Kingston Hospital: Fr Tony Oleh (020 8546 7711)