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SUNDAY 14TH JUNE 2020

CORPUS CHRISTI

HOLY MASS WILL BE OFFERED FOR...

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION & DEVOTIONS



Sunday	10:30	Our Parish Family
Monday		NO MASS
Tuesday	09:00	Welfare of Daniel Gulliford
Wednesday	09:00	Joe and Anne Parsons RIP
Thursday	09:00	*
Friday	09:00	*
Saturday	09:00	*

*Free Mass intention

Baptisms:	Suspended until further notice
Confessions:	Available on request
Weddings:	Suspended until further notice
Confirmation	Suspended until further notice
1st Communion:	Suspended until further notice
Initiation for Adults:	Suspended until further notice
Adoration (online):	Tuesday - Friday 08:00 - 08:50
Rosary (online):	Tuesday - Friday 08:30 - 08:50
Divine Mercy:	Suspended until further notice

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We pray especially for Esperance Dawa Atalia and Margaret Boyle who died recently. We pray for Richard Machin-Perez, Peter Elabor, Bridget Nolan, Harold D’Cruz, Josephine Nipah, Barbara (Bertha) Scawthorne, Rev. Terence Lewis (S.J.), Pauline Leahy, Barry Carr, John McNamee and all whose anniversaries occur at this time. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. We pray for all of those who work to keep us safe and particularly our policemen and women. In a time of heightened tension we pray for calm and the pursuit of justice for all those who have been victims of prejudice, violence and hatred including those working in law enforcement. May God bring peace at this time.

From our Archbishop, John Wilson: “The question on my heart as we approach the great solemnity of Christ’s Body and Blood is this: what does it mean for us to be a Eucharistic disciple? First of all, being a Eucharistic disciple means having an ever deepening appreciation of, and love for, the Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. My faith in Christ’s real presence in the Eucharist means that I can be as close to Him as were His first disciples. We take Christ at His word: this *is* His body; this *is* His blood; He is with us. In the familiar words of St Thomas Aquinas, we are not like [the Apostle] Thomas, but in the Eucharist we can, and do, call the Lord Jesus ‘Lord and God.’ In the presence of the Lord Jesus in the Eucharist I pray: ‘My Lord and my God, I firmly believe you are here; that you see me, that you hear me; and I adore you with profound reverence.’ We desire to rekindle our Eucharistic amazement; to be opened afresh to the awesome truth that this is Jesus in His glory – to be seen and received with eyes of faith; to be loved with hearts of devotion.”

<p>Parish Offertory</p> <p>NatWest Business: <u>RCAS Brixton Hill</u> <i>giftaid it</i></p> <p>Sort Code: <u>600336</u></p> <p>A/C Number: <u>17403014</u> or.....</p> <p>to donate quickly online (& Gift-Aid it) click here.</p> 	<p>Next Sunday’s Readings: 12th Sunday in OT</p> <p>First: Jeremiah 20:10-13</p> <p>Psalm: Psalm 68(69):8-10,14,17,33-35</p> <p>Second: Romans 5:12-15</p> <p>Gospel: Matthew 10:26-33</p> 
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PARISH NEWS

Father Matthew writes... Well, the promise of a Eucharistic Procession for you all last weekend was overly ambitious: I'm sorry but we won't (as I'd wanted) be able to carry Jesus up and down Trent Road this year! :(The technical hurdles are too great to overcome but... at the end of tomorrow's Mass we will finish with Benediction given by Deacon Dermott from St Joseph's altar.

Re-Opening our Church for private prayer: As explained last week, the Government have permitted Churches to re-open for *private prayer* from today. This is good news and to be welcomed! However, the health and safety requirements that need to be adhered to in light of Covid 19 are numerous and onerous. I have met with Biba Dow (Chair of our Parish Council) who has generously conducted an initial risk assessment and is working hard with the Parish Council for us to reopen on certain days / times from Monday 22nd June. Many thanks to those who have volunteered as Stewards; you will be contacted shortly. We need as much help as we can get so please complete [this form online](#) if you are able to volunteer. Please note:

- We are *not* permitted to use the Church for any liturgical service of any kind; no baptisms, weddings or funerals can be conducted yet.
- Confession is still by appointment only so please get in touch if you need to celebrate the sacrament.

I look forward to seeing you again and am glad that you will now be able to come into the house and the presence of the Lord Jesus to experience His peace.

Corpus Christi is our patronal feast. It's the dedication of our Church and although the feast wasn't celebrated until the 13th Century, its having become a key feast within our Calendar acknowledges what has always been central and essential; our need for God and His desire for us expressed perfectly on the cross; the one, eternal sacrifice, re-presented at every Mass. The same Body which was given out of love on the altar of the cross is re-presented on our altar at every Mass. This sadly emphasises the loss and lack of the Eucharist for all of you who will still be unable to attend Mass since we will open for *private* rather than communal prayer. The enforced fast from the eucharist you have had to suffer is (I know from speaking to many of you) a real deprivation. As our Churches re-open many of you will (at last and at least) be able to come into the Eucharistic presence of the Lord in the tabernacle from which so many graces flow. Let us remember to pray for those for whom our Church opening its doors makes no difference as they are still shielding and ask the Lord to make His presence known to them as they are made to wait much longer before coming into His presence. Let us also remember those who have lacked the consolation of a Requiem Mass.

How we can grow: As mentioned in last week's newsletter, Fr Matthew is looking at ways to further develop the life of the parish. As a starter, he is working to establish two youth groups (for post-confirmation and for year 6s, 7s and 8s) and restore the bereavement group. If you have any other ideas of what you would like to see, please let him know.

Thank you to all of you who are contributing to our online offertory each week. It is understandable that so many face difficult circumstances at this time and are unable to give. If you are in a position to support us, please give via our website [here](#) or the [external link](#) if you encounter problems.

LIVE streaming of daily prayer and Mass: Click [here](#) to join us for our Holy Hour (Tuesday - Friday at 08:00 with Rosary at 08:30) and Mass (Tuesday - Saturday at 9:00 and Sunday at 10:30).

Telephone support: The clergy and the SVP continue to call those who are isolated and lack the support of friends and family. If you know of anyone who is in need please [get in touch with us](#).