



Catholic Church of the Holy Ghost & St. Stephen

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19 June 2022

Mass Times:

Sunday Masses

6.00 pm (Saturday)

9.15, 11.00 am & 6.00 pm

Weekday Masses

Mon. Tues., Fri & Sat.:

9.30 am

Wed.: 7.00 am

Thurs: 7.00 pm

Holy Days of Obligation

Mass: 9.30 am & 7.00 pm

Parish Office

Monday, Tuesday, Friday:
10:00 -14:00

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Sat 10.00-10.45 am

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

First Saturday: 8.45 am -
suspended

Rosary

After 9.30 am daily Mass
during the week

Confessions

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Sat 10.15-10.45 am,

5.15-5.45 pm

or by request

Baptism

See Parish Priest

Preparation obligatory

Marriage

See Parish Priest

Six months' notice

required

Preparation obligatory

Last week's collection

£1,027.43

Thank-you

Parish Priest: **Fr. Mark Vickers**

Parish Secretary: **Sherry Samele**

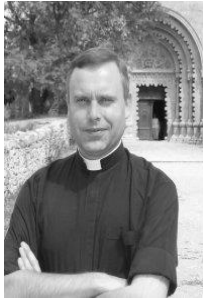
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Corpus Christi - Year C



Fr. Mark writes: 'It is the Lord!' After the Crucifixion, the disciples were uncertain what to do. They did what people tend to do when faced with uncertainty and fear, they returned to familiar habits, they went fishing. All of a sudden Jesus appears on the shore and starts giving instructions which lead to a miraculous catch. Yet the disciples fail to recognise. All except John, who cries out: 'It is the Lord!' It is no coincidence that it is the beloved disciple who recognises Jesus. Love sees beyond appearances and penetrates to the truth.

Today we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi. It is an invitation to recognise anew Jesus in the Eucharist, a call to greater love. When we see the Sacred Host, can we say with St. John: 'It is the Lord!' It is just as true today in this church as it was on the shores of Lake Galilee 2,000 years ago. The Sacred Host is Jesus. That should cause us to wonder, love and adore. God loves me so much that He gives me nothing less than His Son, whole and entire. Realising that should change the way I prepare for Mass, my behaviour at Mass and my thanksgiving after Mass. Receiving Jesus allows me to go out and change the world for the better.

Platinum Jubilee Appeal: Ukrainian Refugees

To mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, in thanks for her years of service and the peace and prosperity enjoyed during her reign, we invite donations for those less fortunate than ourselves. The appeal this weekend is for Ukrainian refugees who have suffered and lost so much. Ukraine is not the only troubled place in the world. We have the option to help refugees across the world, if people prefer.

Donations are made through the Order of Malta, because of their networks as an established local presence. Their use of volunteers ensures as much of our donations as possible go to the intended beneficiaries. The Order is providing for the practical, medical, legal and psychological needs of Ukrainians arriving in neighbouring countries. For those wishing to give more generally, the Order is in the forefront in rescuing migrants in the Mediterranean and assisting those in need in the Palestinian West Bank.

Please think and pray about the invitation to give. Obviously, not everyone is in a position to do so, but, if you can, do give sacrificially, i.e. so to that you notice the difference, rather than simply tossing a few spare coins into the basket.

We can help by giving in the following ways:

1. Through the Website www.forgottenpeople.org/support-us, specifying Ukraine or which other project you wish to support;
2. Making a transfer to the parish bank account: WRCDT Holy Ghost & St Stephen; 40-05-20; A/c No. 71308475. Please give the reference 'Ukraine', or 'Refugees' if you wish to support refugees generally;
3. The retiring collection at the end of Mass.

If you are a UK taxpayer giving electronically, please consider Gift Aiding your donation.

Your donation makes a huge difference to those in greatest need. Please pray for those who suffer. The Order of Malta also offers the opportunity to volunteer to work with refugees in the region if you can spare a week of your time.

Corpus Christi – Blessed Sacrament Procession & Parish Picnic

Today (Sunday) is the Feast of Corpus Christi. Weather permitting, we have our first Blessed Sacrament procession for three years, starting in the playground behind the Good Shepherd School, 35 Gayford Road, W12 9BY at **3.00 pm** with Exposition and the children leading us in the rosary. The First Holy Communion children are encouraged to wear their First Holy Communion clothes. We then process down the Askew Road for Benediction in the church. After Benediction, around 4 pm, we will go to Ravenscourt Park for a Picnic in the Park – in the railed area between the lake and the children's play area. Please bring food and drink, and ensure all rubbish is cleared away subsequently. This is a wonderful and joyful public act of witness to Jesus, truly present in the Blessed Sacrament, and something which helps children appreciate their Catholic identity. And we have the opportunity to enjoy one another's company.

Parish Office

Monday, Tuesday, Friday:
10:00 -14:00

Good Shepherd

Catholic Primary School
35 Gayford Road
www.goodshepherdrc.lbhf.sch.uk
020 8743 5060
Head: Mrs. Imogen Lavelle

Catholic Chaplaincies
Charing Cross Hospital
020 3311 1042
Hammersmith Hospital
020 3313 4574

Safeguarding Officers

07561 588717
Lucy Road
shepherdsbushsg@safeguar.drcdow.org.uk
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Planned giving scheme

(envelopes/standing orders)
Gary O'Brien
07392 203005

St. Vincent De Paul (SVP)
Mobile: 07925 560538

Young mums group

Thurs. 7.30 pm monthly.
Call or text Gersende on
07523 501508

Young dads group

Thurs. 7.30 pm monthly
darioesposito79@yahoo.co.uk

Young adults group

Monthly, Sun. evenings
shepherdsbushcat@rcdow.org.uk

Sunday Scriptures

Fridays, 4.30-5.30 pm
For further information:
jroberts@thetablet.co.uk

Baptism

The next baptism preparation sessions for parents attending Mass here wanting young children baptised will be at **7.30 pm on Monday, 27 June and 4 July**. If you attend both sessions, we can arrange a date.

Daily Masses

Mass this **Friday**, the Feast of the Sacred Heart, is at **7.00 pm**. There is no 9.30 Mass this Saturday because of the ordinations in Westminster Cathedral.

Readings at Sunday Mass

Genesis 14: 18-20 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 Luke 9: 11-17
Psalm 109: Response: You are a priest for ever, a priest like Melchizedek of old.
Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia!**

I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

Church cleaning: Suspended until further notice

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Mass Intentions for Week: 18 - 26 June 2022

Saturday, 18 June	18.00	Teresa Forkin, Anniv.
Sunday, 19 June	9:15	Pro populo
<i>Corpus Christi</i>	11:00	Michael Sweeney, Anniv.
	18.00	Bridget & Pat Costello, int.
Monday, 20 June	9.30	Veronica Lennon, RIP
<i>St Alban</i>		
Tuesday, 21 June	9.30	Patrick Doherty, Anniv.
<i>St Aloysius Gonzaga</i>		
Wednesday, 22 June	7.00	Clerkin family, int.
<i>Ss. John Fisher & Thomas More</i>		
Thursday, 23 June	19.00	Patrick & Mary Farren, Anniv.
<i>Nativity of John the Baptist</i>		
Friday, 24 June		
<i>Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</i>	19.00	Michael & John Brick, RIP
Saturday, 25 June	9.30	No Mass
<i>Immaculate Heart of Mary</i>	18.00	Gleeson family, RIP
Sunday, 26 June	9:15	Pro populo
	11:00	Gary Fairburn, RIP
	18.00	Robin Greatorex, RIP

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND OF THE PARISH:

Christopher Browne, May Carter, Agnes Charles, Tom Cooke, Finian & Helen Cox, Pasquale de Stefano, Rita Ferns, Hannah Galis, Kay & Rosemarie Healy, Mary Hill, Sandra Jones, Bridget McMorro, Colm Nee, Maria Nicholls, Bridget Parker, Elaine Samuels, Peter Sands, Lorraine & John Searl, Jay Sinclair, Gemma Sweny, Franco Vuoto, Laura Walsh, Ellen White & the Chiswick Nursing Centre residents.

Catholic Curry Club

The group for dads with children of primary school age or under meets next in the Parish House at **8.00 pm this Thursday, 23 June**. The SVP will give a very brief introduction to their work with those in need locally. Our parishioner Piers Paul Read will then talk about his book, *Alive*. Telling the true story of a rugby team faced with the dilemmas of survival after a plane crash in the Andes, the book was turned into a film in 1993. If you wish to attend, please contact Dario at darioesposito79@yahoo.co.uk and he will take your curry order.

Peter's Pence

There is a retiring collection after Mass next weekend for Peter's Pence, supporting the work of the universal Church.

Adoremus

We have an hour of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament after the **6.00 pm** next **Sunday, 26 June**, concluding with Benediction at **7.45 pm**. The church doors are open to the street and passers-by invited in to pray and light a candle. There will also be the opportunity for Confessions. There is the much-needed opportunity to rest and be still with the Lord.

Joyce Calliste, Harri Lewis & Nora McKernan, RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Joyce Calliste. Joyce's funeral Mass will be at **11.00 am on Tuesday, 28 June**; Nora's at **12.30 pm on Friday, 8 July**; Harri's at **9.30 am on Friday, 15 July**.

Ordinations

Please pray for those associated with the parish being ordained at this time. Rev Juan Sola, who was on placement here six years ago, was ordained deacon last Saturday. Rev Mike Guthrie, on placement here us five years ago, is being ordained priest this Saturday. Br. Tom Mannion, our former parish catechist, will be ordained a deacon in Oxford for the Dominicans on 10 July. May God bless them and their future ministry.