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MASS TIMES

Sunday
8.00 am & 10.00 am

Weekdays
Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 9.30am
Thursday No Mass
Friday 7.00 pm
Saturday 5.30 pm (Vigil of Sunday)

Confessions on Saturdays 4.15-5.15pm in church,
or by personal arrangement with Fr Jonathan

The Most Holy Trinity (Year C)

11/12 June 2022

Saturday 11 June

17.30 **Vigil Mass** of Sunday
People of the Parish

SUNDAY 12 June

MOST HOLY TRINITY (Year C)

8.00 **Mass** End of cruelty
to animals

10.00 **Mass**
Fidelis – for full recovery
from stroke

Monday 13 June

St Anthony of Padua, Memorial

No Mass

Tuesday 14 June

11th Week of the Year, Feria
No Mass

Wednesday 15 June Feria

No Mass

Thursday 16 June

St Richard of Chichester
Memorial

No Mass

Friday 17 June Feria

No Mass

Saturday 18 June

Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday
Memorial

No Mass of the day

16.15-17.15 **Confessions**
17.30 **Vigil Mass** of Sunday
Alessia Annessa

SUNDAY 19 June

MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (Year C)

8.00 **Mass** People of the parish
10.00 **Parish Mass**
Patricia Annessa

13.00 **Baptism** of Carolina Mol
15.00 **Baptism** of
Leonard and Penelope Hellinan

Solemnity of the MOST HOLY TRINITY (Year C)

The readings for today's Mass are to be found in the red Year C Parish Mass Book pp. 84—6

The God who emerges from the pages of the New Testament is *precisely the same* as the God who in the Old Testament described Himself as 'the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob' and who, through Moses established a covenant with his 'chosen' people.

The psalms, the prayers of the ancient Jews, ascribe many qualities to this one and only God in whom Jesus's fellow Jews believed. Even in the Diaspora communities of the Greek and Roman world where people believed in many, many gods, they held firm to their conviction that there was *only one God* and they persisted in their belief (as would Muslims in later centuries) He was *unique, true and living in an unbreakable covenant* with them.

Christians also believe in the God of Abraham, but we believe that God has revealed himself to us as Father, as Son, and as Spirit. It took the greatest minds of the earliest Christian generations a full four centuries of prayer, reflection, argument and experience to arrive at the conclusion that Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit were possessed of *all* the qualities their forefathers in the faith (from Abraham onwards) had ascribed to God. The Creed we say at Mass was finally arrived at at a church council in 381, in Constantinople.

Today, with Eastertide and Pentecost behind us, and that liturgical period we know (rather oddly) as 'Ordinary Time' stretching off in front of us to Advent, the Church asks us to celebrate the divinity of God: that is, what it is between this trinity of three divine persons that makes Him *divine*. As we worship God, as we contemplate his glory, as we reflect on what it is we profess about him in the Creed of 381, we give thanks that, through the will of the Father, the sacrifice of His Son Jesus Christ, and the work of the Holy Spirit, He makes us all His children – 'co-heirs to eternal life'!

First Reading (OT): Proverbs 8.22—31 The mysterious figure of Wisdom is an early revelation of the presence of the Holy Spirit at work in the human experience of God. The words of God in scripture do not simply give us information, nor do the words of God in of loving and serving him in others simply give us understanding. They introduce us *into the mind* of the Maker of all things. Our experience of life and time, even our experience of suffering and limitation, is a gift to enable us to learn the ways of Christ, who is the Wisdom of God (I Cor. 1.24), and to bring our lives into harmony with divine wisdom.

Second Reading (NT): Romans 5.1—5 This is one of St Paul's great 'love songs' of confidence in God, a confidence which, in every trial and perseverance, the Holy Spirit has poured into our hearts. When a person's hope is in God it *can't* turn to dust and ashes; it *can't* be disappointed; it *can't* be an illusion – because God loves us with an undying love backed by undying power.

Gospel: John 16.12—15 The Holy Spirit is the 'bond of love' among the three persons – thus He binds all the brothers and sisters of Christ together in

love. But *not only* love – in *truth* also. “*Everything*” says Jesus, “that the *Father* has (who is the *source* of life and light and love) *is mine*. And what *I have* from the Father the Spirit will take it and give it to *you*.” Thus in one of his letters St John says, “We have seen and proclaim what we have seen and heard ... so *that you too may have fellowship with us* – the fellowship that is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ.”

Prayer of Preparation before each Sunday Mass

After this prayer until the bell at the start of Mass is an opportunity to pray silently together in preparation.

ALMIGHTY GOD, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, so that we may truly love you and worthily praise your holy name; through our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Calling all Catechists

Fr Jonathan would be grateful if anyone who has previously served as a Catechist in the parish – for adults or children – would make themselves known to him. He has no inherited list of such people.

Fr Chris Vipers, the Diocesan Director of the Agency for Evangelisation, writes, “After two years of online Diocesan Summer Gatherings for Catechists, this year’s Gathering will take place on Saturday 2 July at Sacred Heart High School, Hammersmith. All parish catechists are encouraged to attend. This year the Gathering will focus on the inclusion of children and young people in church, and on catechesis in and for the family. The day will run from 9.45am - 3.30pm and the cost of the day will be £10 per catechist. Please bring a packed lunch. You can book by email – catadmin@rcdow.org.uk. Then send cheque payable to “WRCDT” and mail to Warren Brown Agency for Evangelisation, Diocese of Westminster, Vaughan House 46 Francis Street, SW1P 1QN.” A gathering specifically around RCIA will be held in September. Details will be shared as soon as we have them.

Masses this week

Fr Jonathan returns to duty on Saturday for Confessions before the Vigil. *There will be no weekday masses this week.* The normal pattern will resume on Monday 20th.

Midnight Walk

St.Luke’s Hospice Midnight Walk will take place on Saturday 25th June. Why not enrol at <https://www.stlukes-hospice.org/events/midnight-walk-2022/> to take part in either a 5 or 9 mile walk starting at 10pm from Byron Park, Harrow. Both routes will be fully marshalled and clearly signposted with rest points for toilets and water. This is a family event with entertainment provided prior to the walk, also light refreshments and items of merchandise will be available to purchase on the night. The Midnight Walk raises much needed funds for our local Hospice which continues to serve our community with care and compassion.

Repository

The Repository has a variety of gifts and cards for First Holy Communion and Confirmation as well as children's books etc. Please pop in after Mass.

Will You take the first Step?

CAFOD’s Gap year programme, Step into the Gap is a great opportunity for Young Adults aged between 18-30 to immerse themselves in interactive experiences, develop leadership skills while exploring their faith and meet new people. This is a chance to reflect on your role in global society while spending a year inspiring others to act for the poor and most marginalised. Based in the UK in a retreat centre or Catholic Secondary school with accommodation, travel and stipend included. To take the first step and find out more information and how to apply for September 2022 go to cafod.org.uk/gapyear

Readers Rota

<u>11 June 5.30pm</u>	Noreta Reece	<u>12 June 8am</u>	Rose Okosi
<u>12 June 10am</u>	Readings Carol-Anne Chandler, Bidding prayers Aude & Eduardo		
<u>18 June 5.30pm</u>	Lily Meghji	<u>19 June 8am</u>	Freda Adzinku
<u>19 June 10am</u>	Readings John McIntyre, Bidding prayers Patrick & Joseph Arthur		

Counters Rota 12 June Amal Graham, Marcello Borgese, Valerie Cihak
19 June Eddie Whittaker, Anthony Owolabi, Mary Kehoe

Church Cleaning Rota

18 June Team B: Tim Goodger, Monica O’Shea, Laura Willoughby, Vere Massy and Indre Balcaite
25 June Team C: Dominick Martins, Elaine & Derrick Pereira and Elvira De Souza