

ST WILLIAM OF YORK CATHOLIC CHURCH

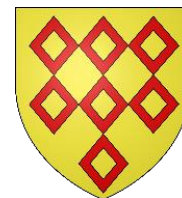
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3/4 JUNE 2023 – THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Mass Times and Intentions

Sat 3 5.30pm	<i>St Charles Lwanga, Memorial</i> Vigil Mass - Nancy & Michael Quille RIP (Anniv)
SUN 4 8am 10am	MOST HOLY TRINITY Solemnity Mass – Mr & Mrs James & Mary McDermott Parish Mass – People of the parish
Mon 5 9.30am	<i>St Boniface, Memorial - Ps wk 1</i> Mass – Joe Burke RIP
Tues 6 9.30am	<i>Feria of 9th Week of the Year</i> Mass – Piedade Dias RIP (Anniv)
Wed 7 9.30am	<i>Feria of 9th Week of the Year</i> Mass – John Kent RIP
Thurs 8	St William of York, Feast No Mass Day [Readings for the day: Eph 4.30-32; St Matt 6.9-15]
Fri 9 7pm	<i>St Columba, Memorial</i> Mass – Michael Ride RIP (Anniv) and <i>Litany of the Sacred Heart</i>
Sat 10 5.30pm	<i>Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday</i> Vigil Mass – Mary-Ella Fabonge (5 th birthday)
SUN 11 8am 10am	BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST Solemnity Mass – People of the parish Parish Mass – Bridie Grimes RIP <i>Followed by St William's Brng and Share Lunch</i>

◆ Reconciliation (Confession)

20 mins before any weekday Mass; Saturdays from 4.30 to 5.15pm; and by appointment anytime

◆ **Mass:** see times above

◆ Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday after Mass until 8pm

◆ **Baptism, Confirmation** (First Communion),
Anointing of the Sick, and Marriage: by appointment

◆ **Funerals:** by arrangement with Funeral Directors

Northwick Park Hospital: for a chaplain contact 020 8967 5130 or lnwh-tr.chaplaincy@nhs.net.



Reflect on next week's readings
(Deut 8.2—3, 14—16; 1 Cor 10.16—17; St John 6.51—58) with the help of wednesdayword.org

WELCOME to Mass today, especially if you are new or an occasional worshipper. **Please take this newsletter home** and use the calendar to help your daily prayer.

◆ **PRAYER before Mass** to say together or as you arrive ... **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, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord.**

Afterwards, please keep silent until the Mass begins.

◆ **ORDER OF MASS** See the **ORANGE Parish Mass Book** – start on **p.7**; then, after the Bidding Prayers, go to **p.15**; then, from the Lord's Prayer, **p.56**. Today's readings are to be found **pp.81—83**. The **psalm response** is, 'To you glory and praise for evermore.'

◆ Eastertide being over, the **ANGELUS** is back from today.

◆ **FELLOWSHIP after the 10am Mass** in the Parish Hall – refreshments and chance to connect. Everyone welcome. Plenty of time to talk.

Please note that **after next week's 10.00 Mass** we shall have our annual **St Williamstide Lunch** in the Hall. Lists are out in the Narthex to sign-up for this popular bring-and-share event. **Contact: Claudette**

REFLECTIONS on today's Scriptures The God who we discover from the pages of the New Testament, revealed by Jesus, is **precisely the same** as the God we discover from the pages of the *Old Testament*, revealed to Moses. Wherever the Jews found themselves, living in cultures that had *many* gods, they held fast to their conviction that **there is only one God**. This is the Christian conviction also. But when Christians say 'one God' we do not mean a faceless, transcendent, unknowable divine energy. We mean One who both *created* the world *and* was also able to *inhabit* it.

What's more, mankind (so both testaments emphatically say) is made *in the image* of this one God; and, therefore, it is only by understanding *who God truly is* that human beings can understand who and what *they* truly are, and what God's plan is for them. Our individual lives, our personal relationships, and all our plans for forming a Christian society, *depend upon a right theology of the Holy Trinity*.

The character of God, revealed in Jesus and communicated to us by the Holy Spirit, is a life of *faithful, total and mutual* love. That is what we have been celebrating from Christmas to Pentecost. And it is the foundation of the 'everyday' life of the Church which we shall be celebrating now until Christmas comes round again. Not only a unity, but a *union!* And not only union in God, but a communion with and among redeemed *humanity*.

1st Reading: Exodus 34.4–6, 8–9 The defining moment in the relationship between the ancient Israelites and God was their emancipation from Egypt. It was in that long experience that God was first understood in 'personal' terms ... as tender,

compassionate, slow to anger, faithful, and forgiving. And the experience caused Moses to plead with God to 'come with us', and to 'adopt us as your own'.

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 13.11–13 Even though it took the Church 300 years to 'express', in detail, the life of God (the Father) in both Christ and the Spirit, this blessing with which Paul closes his letter to the early Christians of Corinth suggests that what had yet to be thought-through was already *known by faith*.

Gospel: John 3.16–18 In this brief conversation between Jesus and Nicodemus the passion and purpose of God's "triple love" for humanity is made clear: He loved the world so much that He sent His only Son to save us, and His Spirit to unite us with Him for ever.

FUTURE EVENTS

3–11th June The London Eucharistic Octave 2023 will take place at Corpus Christi, Covent Garden, WC2E 7NB. See the poster and QR code in the Narthex for the full programme ...

The annual **Diocesan 40 Hours Eucharistic Devotion** will take place **8–10 June**. Whether you join online (maidenlane.org.uk/live), or in person, you can have your intentions prayed for before the Sacrament as well as have a lamp burning, by filling out the form on that web-page. See corpuschristimaidenlane.org.uk/forty/

16 June St Luke's Midnight Walk St Luke's is our nearest hospice, and well worth Catholic support. This is their major annual fundraising event. The walk starts at 10pm at Byron Hall HA3 5BD. You can book on www.stlukes-hospice.org/midnightwalk.

Sunday 18 June is the annual **Day for Life**. The voices of women who have experienced an abortion are often silent both in Church and in society. The message for this year's Day for Life—'Jane's Story'—is written by a woman, in the hope that it may help break the silence and give opportunities for healing and reconciliation. www.cbcew.org.uk/df123-message/. There will be a **second collection** at all Masses.

Readers Rota

3 June 5.30 Martin Rush **4 June 8.00** Rose Okosi
4 June 10.00 Robert Chandler, Tim & Mel Goodger
10 June 5.30 Jennifer Bourke
11 June 8.00 Freda Adzinku **10.00** Nwawulor Family

Church Cleaning Rota

10 June Team A: Caroline Boyle, Niamh Boyle, Lisa Harris and Beatrice McAdam
17 June Team B: Tim Goodger, Laura Willoughby, Indrė Balčaitė and Viktoriia Vrublievska

'When I was sick you visited me' From 21-28 July our trusty thurifer, **Emma Nwawulor**, is volunteering to take care of vulnerable pilgrims on a hospital ward in Lourdes. But she needs to raise money to be able to go – £1000. **Can you possibly help her?** Perhaps as a way of giving thanks for answered prayer? *Donations can be made direct to Emma – or via Fr J if you prefer.*

Question: Why is June dedicated to the Sacred Heart?

Answer: In Catholic life, each month of the year has a spiritual theme focusing on an aspect of the Christian faith. June has become known as the month of the Sacred Heart, **because the feast of the Sacred Heart is celebrated each year during it** (this year, on 16th). It all started when **St Margaret Mary Alacoque** received **personal revelations** from the Lord. Jesus spoke to her on **16 June 1675**, and asked "that the **Friday after the Octave of Corpus Christi be set apart for a special feast to honour My Heart**, by Communion on that day" and by a sincere act of prayer. "I promise you that My Heart shall expand itself to shed in abundance the influence of its Divine Love upon those who thus honour it."

The precise date of Corpus Christi moves depending on the date of **Easter, but always falls in June**. It took until nearly 200 years for the whole Church to celebrate the feast! but ever since then June has been focused on **divine love** for humanity.

Missio It is hoped that next week we shall have a visitor to promote the work of Missio, and awareness of the Church's Mission throughout the world.

Architectural Assistance – Do you have, or do you know anyone with, an architectural design background? Who can help think through a small project to develop our church facilities. Anyone interested, be they parishioners or extended family/friends, are asked to contact Fr Jonathan or Tony Murphy, directly or via the parish email address.