



The Parish of the MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD

*a Catholic Parish in the Archdiocese of Southwark
in the Pastoral Care of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham*



XV SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

14th July 2019

Welcome to Mass today!

If you are new to the area or this church, please make yourself known to one of the priests after Mass. There is tea and coffee available after the Solemn Mass in the Rectory, we hope you'll come through.

In the gospel reading today, we hear that God is as near to us as our own hearts. If we wish to become like Christ then we will serve all people without distinction of race, colour or creed. We will become reconcilers and love God with all our hearts.

In this way we become the Good Samaritans of a wounded world. Love your neighbour as yourself.



Sunday School at the 11am Mass is for Children of Primary School age, who are invited into the Long Room for a Liturgy of the Word. Follow the Cross at the *Gloria*.

Sunday School will be off now for the holidays. Last one today. Thank you to those who encourage our young folk in the Faith. Would you like to be a leader next year?

Evensong and Mass on Thursday is also on a summer break and will return in the new academic year.

Sea Sunday is today, when we are asked to pray for those involved in the shipping industry. There will be a retiring collection. More into at the back.

The Mass of Consecration pictures have now been uploaded to the parish website. Thank you to Carmen for her wonderful photos. Thank you too to those who send some others. Any more?
www.preciousblood.org.uk/consecration

Blessed John Henry Newman's Canonisation has been announced and will be 13th October. A group are planning to go to Rome for this significant day not just for England, but also the Ordinariate as we are under his care. And the Oratorians are quite pleased too! More info for events and tickets in Rome and here at www.newmancanonisation.com

July, month of devotion to the Most Precious Blood. There are some books at the back of Church: why not buy one for a friend as a gift this month.

The Floor Intention board was put up this week. If you want to see a grown man cry, point out to FrC any mistakes! Mass was offered on 2nd July and will be till 2029.

This newsletter is available on line and can be sent to your email. If you do not receive it by an email which arrives on a Saturday evening, it might mean you're not registered in the parish. Register today.

Summer is almost here. It's not too soon to think about summer reading. FrC is always happy to suggest a summer read: something to inform and enhance your Catholic Faith. There are good audiobooks or podcasts too.

Are you at Secondary School? FrC has a idea for next year. Give him your name to find out more.

Founded: 1891

Constructed: 1892

Consecrated: 1st July 2019



**“Why do we use white wine at Mass?
Doesn't it spoil the symbolism of blood?”**

A question sometimes asked here at Most Precious Blood.

The first to notice is that not all Catholic Churches offer the Chalice to the faithful so many might not know or realise what wine is used for Holy Mass. The only thing canonically required (Church law) is that it has to wine to be considered valid sacramental matter and the wine is to be natural and made from grapes (Canon 924 §3). Wine made from any fruit other than grapes, therefore, is considered invalid matter.

Also, for wine to be wine, it must contain alcohol. A minimum or maximum level of alcohol has never been specified, however, canon lawyers say it usually falls somewhere below 20%. Generally speaking, the alcohol content for most commercially produced wines is between 8% and 17%. Alcohol free wine cannot be used for Mass, however, mustum may be used, but it must have an alcohol content of less than 1%. Mustum is grape juice in which the fermentation process has begun, but has been suspended.

Nor may additives be used. Canon 924 §3 says the wine must not be corrupt, ie it is to be pure and natural. In some counties there are laws requiring additives to all commercially produced wines to act as an anti-oxidant which preserves the natural good condition of the wine and retards spoilage. Sulfides are added in such small amounts that the Holy See has said their presence is so small it does not corrupt the wine.

Any commercially produced wine (red, white or rose) may be used for sacramental wine so long as it falls within the parameters of being naturally made of grapes and having an alcohol content between 8% and 20%.

So red or white (or indeed rosé) wine may be used for Holy Mass.

There are some practical considerations in that when the purificator is used (the cloth the priest uses for the ablutions and cleaning the chalice afterward) can often get stained by the Precious Blood which might be difficult to remove. As the linen should always be well-laundered for Holy Mass, it would be unseemly to have anything less than clean white linen - red easily stains.

At the end of Mass the purificator is put in a bowl of clean water to soak for 24 hours, to make sure any part of the Precious Blood is removed, and the water is poured onto clean earth. In the sacristy there is a special sink (a sacrarium) with two plug holes: one goes to the common drain, the other to a soak-away deep below the foundations of the building. The purificator is wrung-out, left to dry, and then laundered in the normal way. Should the Precious Blood ever get split, say, on your jacket or shirt, you should do just the same at home. Never put Precious-Blood-stained materials in the common wash.

As Catholics we believe what Jesus said in the Bible: this is my Body; this is my Blood. By the authority of the Church, the invocation of the Holy Spirit, the very words of Jesus, the bread becomes his very Body, and the wine, become his very Blood.

So to the question, why white wine? It doesn't mater what wine, as long as it is wine and of the finest and highest quality; and to the question, doesn't it destroy the symbolism? There is no symbolism: it is Real Blood.

QUIZ TIME!

SUMMER QUIZ for MPB

How much do you know about our parish? Test yourself with this quiz. Answers at the bottom of the page.

1. Our church was built in 1892. Who was Queen of England at that time?
2. Who is the man wearing red robes, in the picture in the side-chapel on the left-hand side of the sanctuary?
3. When the Lessons are read at Mass, the reader uses the magnificent new lectern, depicting a great bird. What sort of bird is it?
4. When Our Lord died on Calvary his mother, Our Lady, stood at one side of the Cross. Who stood on the other side? (You can see them both by the big cross to the left of the sanctuary)
5. Who is the saint, a young girl, wearing a red gown, on the right hand side near the church door?
6. Two candles are always burning in the Sanctuary; one red and one white. What's the red one called; and what does the white one indicate?
7. Why do we dip our hands in holy water as we enter the church?
8. London is one of the greatest cities in the world, and our church stands near London Bridge. What is the names of the great river that flows beneath the bridge and on down to the sea?
9. London is divided into two Catholic dioceses, one on the north bank of the river, and one on the south bank. What are they called?
10. We have a new Archbishop in our diocese. What is his name?

Apostleship of the Sea

Sea Sunday 2019



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Fish on Fridays. Don't forget that Catholics should not eat meat on Fridays. We are invited to unite ourselves with the Lord on the day he died, and with each other in a common act.



ANSWERS:
1. Queen Victoria. 2. Cardinal – soon to be Saint – John Henry Newman. He was born just across the river from us, near the Bank of England. 3. An eagle. 4. St John the Baptist. 5. The Tabernacle. 6. The Sanctuary Lamp; the Real Presence of Jesus in the Tabernacle. 7. To remind ourselves of our baptism. 8. The Thames. 9. Westminster (north bank) and Southwark (us). 10. Archbishop John Wilson is the new Archbishop of Southwark.

This Week: Mass & intentions

Day	Time	Intention
Today <i>Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8.30am 11.00am	Archbishop-elect Wilson Parishioners
Mon 15th <i>St Bonaventure</i>	1.05pm	Holy Souls ✕
Tues 16th (<i>OL of Mount Carmel</i>)	1.05pm	Holy Souls ✕
Wed 17th <i>feria</i>	1.05pm	Holy Souls ✕
Thurs 18th <i>feria</i>	1.05pm	Holy Souls ✕
Fri 19th <i>feria</i>	1.05pm	Holy Souls ✕
Sat 20th (<i>St Apollinaris</i>)		
Next Sunday <i>Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8.30am 11.00am	Holy Souls ✕ Parishioners

Next Week's Readings Genesis 18:1-10 Colossians 1:24-28 Luke 10:38-42

Sacrament of Confession. Sunday 10.30-10.50; Mon-Fri 12.30-12.55

Evensong each Thursday 18.00 during term time.

Last week: £1,473.59 inc Standing Orders and Cashless Card payments
£750.33 collection at Mass of Consecration

Safeguarding. The parish is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Safeguarding Officers: Kate Pope, Richard Hughes, Justina Onuorah. 0800 0935063

Holy Father's Intention for July. *The Integrity of Justice* That those who administer justice may work with integrity, and that the injustice which prevails in the world may not have the last word.

Ordinariate Weekly Intercession: Frs John Lungley, Christopher Marshall and Mel Harwood and the Black Country Group.

For your prayers:

Those in formation for Ministry, Dn John Waters, Br Philip novOP (Jeff Gerlomes)

The Sick & Housebound: David, Dora, Paula, Holly, Mary, Ada, Fr John, Wilma, Ryan, Baby Reggie

Recently Departed: Peter Gallagher

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