



# 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*



**XXII SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** 1st September 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's blessing comes to those who behave humbly. Jesus warns us against seeking honour from among others.

We are to be humble like him if we are to find favour with God. Jesus our leader will bring us to the heavenly Jerusalem, the city of the living God, only if we follow him humbly.



**Sunday School** at the 11am Mass is for Children of Primary School age, who are on holiday now until next week. Children are invited to sit near the front so they can see what's going on.

**Sunday School helpers** - interested? See FrC or Maureen. Training available.

**Fr Gregory Moore's** Funeral Mass is 12th Sept, 12.30pm at St George's Cathedral; a vigil Mass at St Wilfrid's, 7pm on 11th. *RIP*

**Blessed John Henry Newman's** Canonisation will be 13th October. More info [www.newmancanonisation.com](http://www.newmancanonisation.com)

**The Pope** has declared October this year a month of Mission. Watch this space for further info...

**Daily Mass** is back to normal this week. Why not make the effort to come. Is 1.05pm the best time? (Suggestions welcome)

**Open Church** policy here at MPB is something we can be proud of, but it does raise security concerns now we look so splendid. The best security is traffic: lots of people coming and going regularly - will you?

**St Joseph's School** return on Wednesday this week. Please keep our school, pupils and staff, in your prayers.

**Choir resumes** next Sunday. See Mr Smith if you are interest in joining the junior choir. Auditions soon.

**Young Adults Group** meet on Friday 20th Sept this month, See Melissa and/or Steve for more info

**Evensong and Mass** on Thursdays resumes next week, 12th Sept

**Governing Council** members should have received papers for a meeting this week.

**Walsingham Mass** on Saturday this week 10am. Mass of OLW and Pilgrimage

**Lectors' Rota** - would you like to train to be a reader, admitted and read? See Lesley for more info.

**Those at Secondary School**, either returning or joining, FrC,(well Blanche really...) has an idea. See him or her today.

**Life**, the prolife charity is seeks to employ someone to help grow diocesan-wide this life-saving work. Competitive salary for full or part-time position. [jobs@lifecharity.org.uk](mailto:jobs@lifecharity.org.uk)

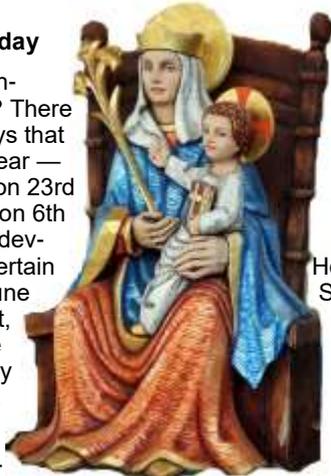
**Founded: 1891**

**Constructed: 1892**

**Consecrated: 1st July 2019**

## Our Lady on Saturday

Why is Saturday considered Mary's day? There are certain feast days that take place once a year — such as St George on 23rd April or St Nicholas on 6th Dec; there are also devotions focused on certain months - such as June for the Sacred Heart, or November for the Holy Souls. But Mary has every Saturday. Why?



The tradition of honouring Mary on Saturday is old and is based on Saturdays being the day when the Lord rested in the tomb. Tradition says that Mary's faith did not waver during this day of mourning and that the Lord himself visited her on this day. Holy Saturday has some devotions known as the *Maria Desolata* the desolation of Mary, and Easter Monday, the *Maria Consolata* the Consolation of Mary.

Most sources trace Marian-based celebrations on Saturdays to the 8th century Benedictine monk, Alcuin. A native of England (probably York), he was a theologian, teacher and liturgist who later became Abbot of Tours who developed a sacramentary. Commissioned by the Emperor Charlemagne, he unified the various styles by which the Mass had come to be celebrated around Europe and developed a votive Mass for days of the week and including Our Lady on Saturday. There is also a tradition, noted in the Sarum Missal of 11th century England, that cites devotions to Mary held on Saturday.

Pope Saint Paul VI, in his apostolic exhortation on Marian devotions in 1974, noted that honouring the Blessed Mother on Saturday originated “especially in the East.”

Through the ensuing centuries, various devotions to Mary grew and focused on Saturdays. Some began around the time of the early Crusades, and most developed through the devotion of religious communities such as the Servites, Franciscans and Carmelites.

The Carmelite order is especially tied to the Sabbatine (Saturday) Privilege. This is the

pious belief that Mary, in a vision to Pope John XXII in 1322, promised she would aid souls in purgatory, on the Saturday following their deaths. Later popes ratified this devotion to Mary, when done for the purpose of drawing closer to Christ through his mother and her intercession.

Honouring the Immaculate Heart of Mary on Saturdays and reciting the rosaries on that day developed over subsequent Saturdays. These included attending Mass on the 15 Saturdays before the feast of the Holy Rosary on 7th October, or honouring the Seven Sorrows of Mary for seven consecutive Saturdays.

While there are references to devoting the first Saturdays of each month to reparation and prayer, especially the rosary, the best known is the reported apparitions of three shepherd children at Fatima, Portugal, in 1917. Of their visions over six months' time, the one the children reported on 13th July said that Mary asked for the “communion of reparation” on first Saturdays.

Later, in 1925, the Servant of God, Sister Lucia, the only Fatima visionary still living at the time, reported that Mary again appeared to her and promised assistance at the hour of death to anyone who honoured her son with prayers, including the rosary, confession and Eucharist, for five consecutive first Saturdays.

In 1974, during the period of liturgical reform following the Second Vatican Council, Pope St Paul VI noted this long tradition of Saturday devotions and “Mass of Our Lady” calling them “an ancient and simple commemoration” that had been made “very adaptable and varied by the flexibility of the modern calendar and the number of formulas provided by the Missal.”

Honouring Mary on Saturday, the first day of our current days of weekend rest — whether at Mass, in prayer or even walking through a Mary garden — reminds us that the Blessed Mother wants to point us toward her Son who is the master of the Lord's Day, and every other day of the week.

Mass of Our Lady on Saturday this week, at 10am

# DIVINE MERCY DAY OF PRAYER

*Invoking the intercession of Our Lady of Walsingham*

**WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL**

**SATURDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2019**

**9.30 AM – 4.30 PM**

Led by Bishop John Keenan (Diocese of Paisley), Fr Dominic Allain ("From Grief to Grace"), Fr Derek Hyett and others

FOR MORE DETAILS CONTACT ANTONIA – [ANTONIA@WALSINGHAM.ORG.UK](mailto:ANTONIA@WALSINGHAM.ORG.UK)  
PROGRAMME OVERLEAF



*"Thus says the Lord God: 'On the day that I cleanse you from all your iniquities, I will also enable you to dwell in the cities, and the ruins shall be rebuilt.'" Ezekeiel 36:33*



## An invitation to Building a better Marriage

A day in which married couples can privately explore their relationship more deeply and gain valuable insights into their communication and the call of the Church to the married.



**Saturday, 28th SEPT 2019**

St Columba's Church Hall,  
57 Queenshill Road,  
South Croydon CR2 8DW

Parking available  
9.45am-11.4.30pm

**BOOKING ESSENTIAL**  
[mflero@rcas.org.uk](mailto:mflero@rcas.org.uk)

**07983 524 727**  
Parking available

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Marriage & Family Life Team RC Archdiocese of Southwark

## An Introduction to Liturgy



**Saturdays 9 and 23 November 2019**  
(10.30am to 4pm)

at the Centre for Catholic Formation, 21 Tooting Bec Road,  
SW17 8BS - [www.ccfootingbec.org.uk](http://www.ccfootingbec.org.uk)



The CCF is pleased to offer 'An Introduction to Liturgy' this autumn in partnership with the Southwark Liturgy Commission. Participants will explore the principles and practice of the Church's liturgy over two Saturdays. If you want to find out more about the course or wish to register please contact us by email: [ccf@ccfootingbec.org.uk](mailto:ccf@ccfootingbec.org.uk) or telephone 020 8675 1066.

Course fee: £25

The introductory course also fulfils the requirements for a specialist module in the Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (of an assessment in accordance with paragraph 10 of the LRC CS available from 1st July 2019).

Image of the Last Supper courtesy of Rob Hinton

## This Week: Mass & intentions

Day	Time	Intention
<b>Today</b> <i>Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8.30am <b>11.00am</b>	Gregory Moore ✕ <i>priest</i> recently Parishioners
Mon 2nd <i>feria</i>	1.05pm	Baltazar Almeida ✕
Tues 3rd <i>St Gregory the Great</i>	1.05pm	Baltazar Almeida ✕
Wed 4th ( <i>St Cuthbert</i> )	1.05pm	Baltazar Almeida ✕
Thurs 5th <i>feria</i>	1.05pm	Baltazar Almeida ✕
Fri 6th <i>feria</i>	1.05pm	Baltazar Almeida ✕
Sat 7th <i>of OL of Walsingham</i>	10.00am	Walsingham
<b>Next Sunday</b> <i>Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8.30am <b>11.00am</b>	Geoffrey Kirk Parishioners

**Next Week's Readings** Wisdom 9:13-18 Philemon 9:10.12-17 Luke 14:25-33

**Sacrament of Confession.** Sunday 10.30-10.50; Mon-Fri 12.30-12.55 (except August)

**Evensong each Thursday** 18.00 during term time.

**Last week:** £1,202.21 inc Standing Orders and Cashless Card payments

18th August £1,210.71

15th August £235.42

11th August £1,279.17

**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 Sept. *The Protection of the Oceans*,** That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

**Ordinariate Weekly Intercession:** Frs Jonathan Redvers Harris, John Maunder & Mgr Robert Mercer and the Isle of Wight & Portsmouth Group.

### For your prayers:

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

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

*Recently Departed:* Peter Jackson, Gregory Moore *priest*, Winnie Ryan

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