



Ordinariate and Parish Church MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD

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



14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5th July 2020

In the gospel reading today, we hear that Christ promised to remain forever with his Church through Peter the head of the apostles. The Lord rescued Peter from the hatred of Herod and always comes to the aid of his Church against which the forces of evil will never win. Paul is the apostle of the Gentles so the Good News is spread throughout the whole world. Christ is with us too as we



Sunday Mass obligation is still suspended, so Catholics don't have to attend Mass, even though of course, we will very much want to! Please be sensible and considerate, especially towards others.

If you attend Mass on Sunday, there will be procedures you must follow. Mass will be at 11am, followed by one at 12noon, if there is any over-flow. Registration is required.

When you arrive for Mass:

- ✘ Check-in
- ✘ Sanitise your hands
- ✘ Follow the one-way system
- ✘ One person or one family each bench
- ✘ Keep 2m distance at all times
- ✘ Do not touch anyone or anything
- ✘ Keep a low voice, nothing will be sung
- ✘ Follow instructions
- ✘ Leave by side door (front right)
- ✘ Sanitise hands on exit
- ✘ Do not gather after Mass
- ✘ Toilets will not be available

Mass will continue on-line

here at MPB at our usual times. The live-stream goes 'live' 10 mins before each Liturgy for those who cannot and should not return just yet.

Take full part in the Mass on-line: stand, sit, kneel, speak with the others.

Thank you to those who came to clean and sanitise the Church on Friday. It was hard work: there was a lot of dust.

Stewards needed. The guidelines dictate that there must be two stewards on duty whenever the Church is open. Will you volunteer?

Open or Closed? The Church will open for the 11am Sunday Mass, 20 minutes before, and be closed at all other times. The week-day Mass will be without a congregation and continue to be live-streamed. This schedule will stay the same until August, although from next week, there will be no Mass live-stream on Mondays.

Confessions are now possible, this is only by appointment, as are Baptisms and Marriages.

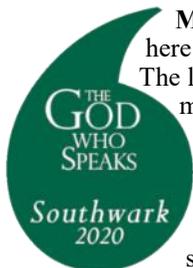
The Archbishop has sent guidance on the celebration of Public Mass, Confession and Funerals. They are on the website /covid

Continue to follow the Government guidelines. Avoid unnecessary travel, keep your distance, wash your hands!

St George's Cathedral is open only for Mass and confessions from today.

St Joseph's School has a few vacancies for Nursery Places in September this year.

Check on friends and neighbours, if they need help. Fiona is still the 'go to' person.





The Most Precious Blood

I would like to consider the word of God and reflect on the mystery of the Most Precious Blood. For that mystery leads us to see the unity between Christ's sacrifice on the Cross, the Eucharistic sacrifice which he has given to his Church, and his eternal priesthood, whereby, seated at the right hand of the Father, he makes unceasing intercession for us, the members of his mystical body.

Let us begin with the sacrifice of the Cross. The outpouring of Christ's blood is the source of the Church's life. St John sees in the water and blood which flowed from our Lord's body the wellspring of that divine life which is bestowed by the Holy Spirit and communicated to us in the sacraments. Our Lord's own words at the Last Supper, when he instituted the Eucharist as the sacrament of his body, given up for us, and his blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant shed for the forgiveness of sins

Faithful to Christ's command to "do this in memory of me", the Church in every time and place celebrates the Eucharist until the Lord returns in glory, rejoicing in his sacramental presence and drawing upon the power of his saving sacrifice for the redemption of the world. The reality of the Eucharistic sacrifice has always been at the heart of Catholic faith; called into question in the sixteenth century, it was solemnly reaffirmed at the Council of Trent against the backdrop of our justification in Christ. Here in England, there were many who staunchly defended the Mass, often at great cost, giving rise to that devotion to the

Most Holy Eucharist which has been a hallmark of Catholicism in these lands.

We see this aspect of the mystery of Christ's precious blood represented, most eloquently, by the martyrs of every age, who drank from the cup which Christ himself drank, and whose own blood, shed in union with his sacrifice, gives new life to the Church. It is also reflected in our brothers and sisters throughout the world who even now are suffering discrimination and persecution for their Christian faith. Yet it is also present, often hidden in the suffering of all those individual Christians who daily unite their sacrifices to those of the Lord for the sanctification of the Church and the redemption of the world.

How much contemporary society needs this witness! How much we need, in the Church and in society, witnesses of the beauty of holiness, witnesses of the splendour of truth, witnesses of the joy and freedom born of a living relationship with Christ! One of the greatest challenges facing us today is how to speak convincingly of the wisdom and liberating power of God's word to a world which all too often sees the Gospel as a constriction of human freedom, instead of the truth which liberates our minds and enlightens our efforts to live wisely and well, both as individuals and as members of society.

Dear friends, in the Most Precious Blood, I invite you once more to look to Christ, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection. I ask you to unite yourselves ever more fully to the Lord, sharing in his sacrifice on the Cross and offering him that "spiritual worship" which embraces every aspect of our lives and finds expression in our efforts to contribute to the coming of his Kingdom. I pray that, in doing so, you may join the ranks of faithful believers throughout the long Christian history of this land in building a society truly worthy of man, worthy of your nation's highest traditions.

*Extracts from the Homily preached by
Pope Benedict XVI
Westminster Cathedral
18 September 2010*

'Tis good Lord to be here!

The faithful may attend Mass for the first time today. Registration is required, either on-line or on arrival,

We still need Stewards will you volunteer?

Don't forget that:

- Mass obligation is still suspended
- a 2m distance must be kept
- sanitise in and out
- no touching, anyone or anything
- singing is not allowed, yet



STAY ALERT, CONTROL THE VIRUS, SAVE LIVES

Nursery Spaces Available September 2020

Saint Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Are you looking for a Nursery space? Is your child 3 (or nearly 3) or 4 years old? We have full-time or part-time spaces available in our nursery for 3 and 4 year olds. Come and meet our highly qualified and caring team, see our beautiful indoor and outdoor spaces and learn about our approach to child-initiated learning.

Please contact the school office for more information

Telephone: 020 7407 2642



This Week: Mass & intentions

Day	Time	Intention
This Sunday <i>14th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	11.00am 12.00am	Parishioners
Mon 6th <i>(St Maria Goretti)</i>	1.05pm	Bill McDonald ✕
Tues 7th <i>feria</i>	1.05pm	War dead on plaque ✕
Wed 8th <i>feria</i>	1.05pm	
Thur 9th <i>(St Augustine Zhao et al)</i>	1.05pm	
Fri 10th <i>feria</i>	1.05pm	
Sat 11th <i>St Benedict</i>	10.00am	
Next Sunday <i>15th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	11.00am 12.00am	Parishioners

Next Week's Readings Isaiah 55:10-11 Romans 8:18-23 Matthew 13:1-23

Sacrament of Confession. By appointment and only in emergency

Evensong 4.00pm, Sunday & Benediction, *live-stream*
6.30pm, Thursday *live-stream*

Last week: £1,140.00 Standing Orders and On-line payments

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: Our Families We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.

The Ordinariate weekly intercessions: The Worcester and Hereford Group & Frs John Pitchford and Richard Smith.

For your prayers:

In formation: for Ministry, Br Philip OP (Jeff Gerlomes)

Those who are Sick: Dora, Mary, Mark, David, Rebecca, George, David
And for all those with Coronavirus

Coronavirus: The medical profession, doctors, nurses, first responders, support-staff, research scientists, those who make big-impact decision,

Recently Departed: Ada Kane, Christopher Tuckwell *priest*

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