

**6<sup>th</sup> June 2021: THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI) (B)**



**CHRIST OUR HIGH PRIEST**

Christ is our high priest who constantly makes intercession for us. He offers himself to his Father as an atonement for our sins and establishes a new covenant with God in his own Body and Blood. This is far greater than the old Jewish sacrifice of goats and bull calves. It wins for us the eternal inheritance that we have been promised.

◀ This is my body, this is my blood.

**Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days**

Sat 05 18:30	<i>First Mass of Sunday</i> <b>Joseph Horgan RIP</b>
Sun 05 09:30 11:00	<b>✠ THE MOST HOLY BODY &amp; BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)</b> <b>Tom &amp; Anne Craven RIP</b> <b>Barbara Zaniewska RIP</b>
Mon 07 09:30	<b>Wellbeing for Bridie Horgan</b> <b>Rosary</b>
Tue 08 09:30	<b>Wellbeing for Sam &amp; Marty Lowell</b> <b>Rosary</b>
Wed 09 09:30	<b>Andrew Healy RIP</b> <b>Rosary</b>
Thu 10 09:30	<b>Intention of Nell Higgins</b> <b>Rosary</b>
Fri 11 09:30	<b>THE MOST SACRD HEART OF JESUS</b> <b>John Maher RIP</b> <b>Exposition</b>
Sat 12 09:30 18:30	<i>The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> <b>People of the Parish</b> <i>First Mass of Sunday</i> <b>Wellbeing for Mary Wilde - 90th Birthday</b>
Sun 13 09:30 11:00	<b>✠ Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)</b> <b>Annie, William &amp; Liz Doran RIP</b> <b>Konstancja Jazyk RIP</b>

**Something to think and pray about this week**

At twelve years of age, following a visit to Jerusalem and on the return journey, Joseph and Mary realise that Jesus is missing. Searching for him first among their own relations, they realise he is not with them. Terror sets in and they return to Jerusalem in search of their son. The search is frantic and their hearts are broken. Eventually they find Jesus in the temple, sitting among the doctors of the law and the learned people who are amazed at the wisdom spoken by this young child. Mary rushes to Jesus, grabs him and leaves him in no doubt that what he had done is wrong and that he has caused great worry to her and Joseph. Jesus tells them there was no need to worry and adds: 'Did you not know that I must be about my father's business?' (Luke 2:49). It is a moment of recognition perhaps for Mary and Joseph, that their son is marked for something special and something that will, in time, take Jesus away from them in a way they could not imagine.

In an age where we hear so much about children going missing, we might pray her for parents who must face that awful reality and whose lives are torn asunder. We might too remember children who thought not physically lost, can often go through lengthy periods of being spiritually missing and sometimes are not found. This too can be a source of heartbreak for parents. The fact that Jesus was found in the temple could be a focus for our prayer aw well and that we stand a better chance of finding Jesus in a place of worship and surrounded by worshipping people. The mystery is again an opportunity to pray for our parents and family circle- remembering that Mary and Joseph's relations were also involved in the search and in the care of Jesus.

(Vincent Sherlock: Telling the Rosary)

**Confirmation Programme.**

Saturday 12 June at 2pm Service of reconciliation

Saturday 19 June at 2pm Rehearsals

Thursday 24 June at 8pm Celebration of Confirmation

**Repository**

Confirmation Cards & Gifts are available in the repository which is open Sunday mornings at 11am.

**Gift Aid Envelopes 2021-2022**

For those parishioners attending at Masses again after isolating, Gift Aid envelopes are available.

**The Agency for Evangelisation & Catechesis team**

How could your parish benefit from Some Definite Service, our response to Archbishop John's call to be an 'evangelising and missionary archdiocese?' No parish is the same and we have a rich and diverse range across the diocese. We want to recognise all the good work that is already being undertaken and then reflect together to see the areas where growth is possible Email: [aec.rcaos.org.uk/sds](mailto:aec.rcaos.org.uk/sds).

**LAST WEEK**

**Offertory** Gift Aided £201 • Not Gift Aided £279

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection** Pew Kneelers £204

**Mass Count** Sat 18:30 (41) • Sun 09:30 (85), 11:00 (83)

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**DONATING**

**Gift Aid** Tax payers, please sign up. We receive an extra 25p for every £1 you donate. Visit [www.olspn.church](http://www.olspn.church) for details.

**Tap to Donate** Payment Machine in Church Foyer or [www.olspn.church](http://www.olspn.church)

**Standing Order** Please contact the parish house for details.

**Cheques** Payable to **RCAS St. Philip Neri Sydenham**

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## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

He fed them with the finest wheat  
and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

## GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## FIRST READING – Exodus 24: 3-8

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, 'We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed.' Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, 'We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.' Then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people. This he said 'is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.'

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM - Psalm 115

R. **The cup of salvation I will raise;  
I will call on the Lord's name.**

## SECOND READING – Hebrew 9: 11-15

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than the one made by men's hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God.

He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

## GOSPEL - Mark 14: 12-16, 22-26

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, "The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there.' The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover.

And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. 'Take it,' he said 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, 'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God.'

After psalms had been sung they left for the Mount of Olives. The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.