NEWS LETTER

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11 am Mass

You are a priest for ever

We share in the priesthood of Christ through the Holy Spirit. Every time we eat his Body and drink his Blood we proclaim the power of his death and resurrection until he comes again. The Eucharist is not just a memorial of a past event, but something that effectively flows into our lives today.

They all ate as much as they wanted.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention - For families

We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

	Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days	
Sat 18	First Mass of Sunday	l
18:30	Owen & Susan Meegan RIP	-
Sun 19	₩ THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST (C)	l
09.30	Wellbeing of John & Pauline's family	li
11.00	Patricia Reynolds RIP	I
Mon 20	Saint Alban	(
09.30	Andrew Healy RIP	
	Rosary	(
Tue 21	Saint Aloysius Gonzaga	١
09.30	Elisabezeth RIP	
	Rosary	,
13:15	Funeral Mass of Patrick Hinchion	ļ
Wed 22	Saints John Fisher and Thomas More	ı
09.30	Sister Agnes O'Shea RIP	١
	Rosary	I
Thu 23	THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN ‡ THE BAPTIST	1
09.30	Wellbeing of Bridie Horgan	
	Rosary	
Fri 24	THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS	l
09.30	Wellbeing of Jonathan Leslie	-
	Exposition	l
Sat 25	The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary	1
09.30	People of the Parish	1
18:30	(First Mass of Sunday)	
0 00	Robert Gray RIP	ľ
Sun 26	★ THIRTEENTH SUNDAY (C)	
09.30	Wellbeing of Pauline Assemien	
11.00	Patrick Hinchion RIP	

Sharing the Word

First Reading: (Genesis 14:18-20)

This reading tells how Melchizedek king of Salem (early name for Jerusalem), comes to greet Abraham.

Melchizedek is also a priest. He brings an offering of bread and wine to Abraham, and pronounces a blessing over him. In the letter to the Hebrews the priesthood of Melchizedek is seen as a type of the perfect priesthood of Christ. And in Christian tradition that bread and wine were seen as prefiguring the bread and wine of the Eucharist.

Second Reading: (1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

Paul's account of the institution of the Eucharist is the earliest written account of the origin of the Eucharist. When we celebrate the Eucharist we do not merely make Christ present, but we re-enact the death by which he saved us. The Eucharist does not just look to the past, but it also looks to the future. It looks forward to the fulfilment of the kingdom of God.

Gospel: (Luke 9: 11-17)

The miracle of the multiplication of the loaves helps us to look forward to the Eucharist. Luke uses the same words here as at the Last Supper and at Emmaus. **Jesus took** ... **Blessed** ... **broke** ... **gave**. In the Eucharist, the Church continues the mission of Jesus to teach, to heal, and to nourish the people of God. (Flor McCarthy SDB)

Diocesan Day for Catechists

The annual diocesan Day for Catechists, this year, is on Saturday 25th June at the Amigo Hall and St George's Cathedral, starting with registration from 10.30am and ending with Mass at 4pm. This is an in-service training day for all catechists in the diocese (including those involved in Liturgy of the Word for Children and the RCIA process), and a day of support for them in their ministry. The Archbishop asks all Catechists to attend if at all possible. A letter is available from either Fr Regis, or the parish office.

Tea and coffee will be provided but packed lunch should be brought. As you know, the CCF Bookshop in Tooting Bec has closed and we will have a stall of discounted stock for purchase on the day.

Fix the Food System - CAFOD Summer Campaign

Over 800 million people go hungry each day. Yet the world produces over 4 billion tonnes of food and we only need 3.7 billion tonnes to feed everyone.

From all this food produced, a third is wasted. St John Paul II called this 'the paradox of abundance.' Clearly the currently global food system is not working. But as Pope Francis said, "Each of us has a role to play in transforming food systems for the benefit of people and the planet."

Let's respond to his call! CAFOD's new campaign is called Fix the Food System. See www.cafod.org.uk/food for more information, including an invitation for parish groups to learn about the impact of our food with our Fix the Food System: a 7-station journey resource.

Archdiocese of Southwark 2022 Spring Assembly

This is organised by the Justice & Peace Commission on Saturday 25th June 2022 at St Paul Catholic Church, Dover, Kent CT16 1RU. Preceded by Mass at 10.00am at St Edmunds, Dover CT16 1BB. Registration 10.40am. Programme 11am to 4pm. Entitled: Caught in the Act: Tackling the injustice of the Nationality and Borders Act: removal to Rwanda and difficulties for Ukrainians in the UK. Everyone welcome. Entrance is free. Lunch provided. Donations suggested. Email: ipiccontact@rcaos.org.uk or just turn up.

Today's Second Collection

Gift Aiders, for those contributing towards the second collection please use the envelopes at the back of the church. Please provide your gift aid number on the envelope. If you need to know your gift aid number please either email us or telephone the parish house. Thank you.

The Society of Friends of Westminster Cathedral

We are seeking a part-time Co-ordinator to assume responsibility for the day-to-day running of the charity. If you have strong interpersonal and organisational skills, coupled with the ability to work on your own initiative to implement the plans and actions determined by the charity's governing Council and its subcommittees, this role may be of interest. You will be a good communicator, able to sustain engagement with our members through personal contact, written and digital channels. In addition to being able to plan and execute a range of fundraising events, you will have a keen eye for detail, enabling you to deliver the exacting level of administrative support needed for a successful membership organisation. Full details at https:// westminstercathedral.org.uk/the-friends-seek-anorganising-secretary/

Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage

The Southwark Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place between 19th and 26th August. We are sad that, like most Lourdes pilgrimages this year, we have not been able to include pilgrims who need medical support. At the same time, we are delighted to be returning to Lourdes after two years of absence. Details are available at www.tangney-tours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/catholic-association. Southwark contacts: Canon Ed Perera (edwardperera@rcaos.org.uk) and Bishop Paul Hendricks (<a href="paulitentralpetages-paulitentralp

Last Week

Offertory: Gift Aided: £185, Not Gift Aided: £312 Mass Count: Sat (41), Sun 09.30 (88), 11.00 (143)

Second Collection

Last week: Catholic Trust for England & Wales £281

This week: Day for Life Next Week: None

Donate

Gift Aid: Tax payers, please sign up, so we can claim 25p for every £1 donated. Email Treasurer for details.

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