



The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) – Year C

21st – 22nd June 2025

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS		
Sat 21 st 11am 5pm	Francoise Wood Daire O’Gallachoir	T’GIVING RIP
Sun 22 nd 8am 9.30am 11am 7pm	Michael Joseph D’Souza Manuel Fernandes McKenley & Marie Thomas People of the Parish	RIP T’GIVING RIP INT
Mon 23 rd 9.30am	Rolando Jingco	T’GIVING
Tue 24 th 9.30am 7pm	Fr Mike Maguire MASS IN KONKANI – ST JOHN THE BAPTIST	INT T’GIVING
Wed 25 th 9.30am	Maggie & Martin McDonagh	RIP (A)
Thur 26 th 9.30am	Surenthiran Family	T’GIVING
Fri 27 th 9.30am 7pm	Alice Pereira Sheila Murphy	RIP (A) GET WELL
Sat 28 th 11am 5pm	Diamond Anniversary Sue, Eva, Jack & Ken	T’GIVING INT
Sun 29 th 8am 9.30am 11am 7pm	People of the Parish Celestine Cruz and Cruz souls D’csed Hamill Family Mylie Rodrigues	INT RIP (25 th A) RIP T’GIVING
Sanctuary Lamp lit for the soul of Gabriel D’Souza		
OTHER REGULAR MASSES, LITURGY		
Confessions and Adoration: Saturdays 9.30am to 10.45am		
Morning Prayer: Monday to Friday 9.10am		
Rosary: Monday & Friday 10am		
St Anthony Devotion: Tuesday 10am		
Novena to Mother of Perpetual Help: Wednesday 10am		
Polish Mass: Sundays 1.00pm		
Malayalam Mass: 3rd Sunday 2.30pm		
Filipino Mass: 4th Saturday 3pm		
Nigerian Mass: 4th Sunday 2.30pm		

Silence in Church

“But the Lord is in His holy temple. Let all the earth keep silence before Him” (Habakkuk 2:20)

The recommended Catholic practice is when you enter a Church, you show reverence to Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament by genuflection on one or both knees. In addition, reverence to Jesus entails observing silence and avoiding discussions that are better suited for our living rooms. Making noise in church is disrespectful to the Lord and serves as a distraction to people who want to pray privately before Mass starts. When we cultivate the habit of making noise in Church, we lose our sense of the sacred. Perhaps the reason we make noise is due to the joy of meeting friends whom we might not have had opportunity to meet during weekdays due to work or other obligations. However, it is recommended that we wait until after Mass then we can chat-away outside the Church. As we celebrate the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, may we be more aware of the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, body, soul and divinity.

Have a blessed week

Fr. Andrew

SCRIPTURE READINGS
Today: Corpus Christi, (Yr C Vol 2) p. 83
Next week: Sts Peter & Paul, Vigil p. 177,
Mass during the Day p.180

REST IN PEACE
We pray for the repose of the souls of Maxime Bernard, Martin McDonagh and Audrey Irene Lennon who died recently. We also pray for the souls of those whose anniversaries occur at this time, may they all rest in peace.

SAINT OF THE WEEK
Saint John the Baptist (BC6-30AD),
Feast: June 24, Preacher
Take me and break me, for I am willing to be broken; that you may have the bread of life.”

PARISH OFFICE OPENING TIMES
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday:
10.00am–12noon, Friday: 12.30-2.30pm

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CATECHESIS CORNER

Last week around 20 couples attended our monthly Baptismal Preparation session for parents and guardians who wish to have their children baptised, which is a hopeful sign that at least 20 children may soon be brought into the faith through them. This naturally leads us to ask: *Who can receive baptism?* The simple answer is — anyone who has not yet been baptised. Baptism is received only once in a person's life. This is because the sacrament imprints a 'character' (or 'seal') on the soul, in which one's person — body, soul and spirit — is configured to Christ, shares in His priesthood, and is made a member of the Church. This sacred mark also dedicates us to worship God as Christians (see Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1280), stepping into the practice of the faith. For infants and young children, parents and godparents play a vital role as they guide and help the child to live and practice the faith, including fulfilling the important duty — and blessing — of attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days. Once the sacramental seal of baptism (and confirmation) is received, it is permanent. It cannot be undone — a person cannot be 'unbaptised' or 'unconfirmed.' The Catechism describes this 'character' or 'seal' as *indelible* (CCC 1121). Because of the serious and lasting nature of baptism, parents and godparents are asked twice during the baptism ceremony whether they truly wish for their child to be baptised. This happens once at the beginning of the liturgy, and again after they have renewed their own baptismal promises. Their repeated consent affirms their commitment to raising the child in the Catholic faith — a key requirement for the sacrament — and reflects the Church's need for a *realistic hope* that the child will be brought up to practice the faith, with all its responsibilities and blessings. This week, take some time to reflect on what this 'realistic hope' might look like in everyday life. We'll explore this further in next week's *Catechesis Corner*.

FEAST OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST – Tuesday 24th June. 9.30am Mass in English, 7pm Mass will be in Konkani.

LOURDES 2025 FUNDRAISING The next Coffee Morning is on **29th June** after the 9.30am and 11am Masses. Donations of cakes and offers of help would be welcome. £299.00 was raised at the last Coffee morning. Thank you for your support.

ST LAWRENCE STAY & PLAY is back! This parent and toddler group will meet every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday during term time, from 9.15am to around 11.30am. We ask for an offering of £3 per family, per session. If you have any questions please contact one of the two leads, Vanessa Oliver, on 07956237401. Everyone is welcome!

EMMAUS FESTIVAL - Join Westminster Youth Ministry at the SPEC Retreat Centre this Jubilee summer for the launch of the unmissable Emmaus Festival, on 2-3 August 2025.

Inspired by the journey of the disciples on the road to Emmaus, whose encounter with the Risen Christ transformed their despair into hope, this festival aims to ignite that same transformative experience in you. This festival is a chance not only to have a transformative encounter with Christ, but also for young people to meet others who may happen to be on the same journey.

For more information and to sign up, visit: <https://youth.rcdow.org.uk/jubilee-year-2025/emmausfestival/>

ST. LAWRENCE CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP invites all Parishioners to a **Prayer Meeting on 21 June 2025** and an **Intercessory Prayer on 28 June 2025 at 6:15 pm** in the **Parish Centre**. Come and experience God's Love & Mercy!

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

Walk with Jesus after 9.30am Mass on Sunday 22nd June.

Baptism The next Baptism Preparation Class is on Thursday **10th July** at 6.30pm in Church.

Marriage: If you are planning on getting married in this country or abroad, we require a minimum of six clear months notice in order to complete all the paperwork in time for your wedding. Please do not book your reception venues, etc before first contacting the priest.

Sick, housebound or in hospital: Please contact one of the clergy or the Sisters if you would like a visit or anointing of the sick. If you or a loved one is in hospital please contact the Hospital Roman Catholic Chaplain. West Middlesex Hospital Tel. 020 8321 5447, St Peter's Chertsey Tel: 01932 872000.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE We are delighted to announce a new course for those couples who are preparing for marriage in the Catholic Church. Couples are required to complete marriage preparation as part of the 'Application for Marriage' process. This one-day course will be held in the Parish Centre from 10am to 6pm, including the 5pm Mass, during which there will be a blessing of engagement rings. The available dates for this course are Saturdays 28th June, 19th July and 4th October – ***remember you only need to attend one of these days!*** The cost will be £75 per couple, including teas and coffees. Lunch is not provided, but there will be a lunch break. To book a place, please contact Florie in the Parish Office. We keep all those preparing for marriage in our prayers.

APPRECIATE AND LEARN MUSIC THROUGH SINGING (ALMS) - Do you love singing? Would you like to develop your singing skills? Are you interested in expanding your repertoire? If so, this is the perfect opportunity for you! This new 'outreach' venture will be managed and led by the wonderful singing teacher, Julia Early. The idea is to create a choral group – no addition, just enthusiasm – for adults, 18-years-old and over. It will take place each Thursday, 7pm, in Church, beginning on 19th June. There will be a trial period for 4-6 weeks to see if there is sufficient interest in the project, so I encourage you to sign up. It will last around an hour and will cost £5 per person, paid directly to Julia.

EVENTS AROUND THE DIOCESE – Please see the noticeboard for events taking place around the diocese including job vacancies.

WEEKDAY EVENING MASSES A reminder that we now have two evening Masses on a Tuesday and Friday at 7pm. Please do spread this news of these newly established weekday Masses. If any of our current readers would like to read at the evening Masses please contact Cathy Early.

JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO ST EDMUND'S COLLEGE, WARE 12/7/25 – has been cancelled due to lack of interest. Apologies to anyone who had booked to go.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM – **Date:** Saturday 20 September. Lay led pilgrimage from Feltham. If you are interested in going please contact Florie. If we get sufficient numbers we will hire a coach.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

14th – 15th June

Loose £1,862.42 Envelopes £197.90

St Anthony's Feast: £587.92 Total £2,648.24

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