

CORPUS CHRISTI, 14th JUNE 2020

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Mass

YouTube (YT): Saturday Vigil, 6pm; Sunday, 10am;
Mon-Sat, 10am.

WEEKLY LITURGICAL CALENDAR

COMMEMORATION	READINGS
15/6: Mass for Justice & Peace	Week 11, Ordinary Time Liturgical colour: green
16/6: St. Richard of Chichester (d. 1253)	Week 11, Ordinary Time Liturgical colour: white
17/6: Mass in honour of Elijah the Prophet	Week 11, Ordinary Time Liturgical colour: white
18/6: Mass for Christian Unity	Week 11, Ordinary Time Liturgical colour: green
19/6: Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	Proper Liturgical colour: white
20/6: Immaculate Heart of Mary	Week 11, Ordinary Time Liturgical colour: white
21/6: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Proper Liturgical colour: green

MASS INTENTIONS

DATE & TIME	INTENTION
Sat 13 June, 6pm	All Parishioners
Sun 14 June, 10am	Intentions of Sr. Teresa
Mon 15 June, 10am	Kris MacMillan
Tues 16 June, 10am	Maria Brady
Wed 17 June, 10am	William Caughey
Thurs 18 June, 10am	Alex Johnston
Fri 19 June, 10am	Intentions of Sr. Hannah
Sat 20 June, 10am	Esther West
Sat 20 June, 6pm	All Parishioners
Sun 21 June, 10am	Philomena McParland

Sick: Margaret Gallagher, Maria Kelly (Millport), Lidia Tracey, Helen McShane, Peter Leitch, Colette McCafferty, Alex Greig, Sarah McDougall, Bruce McDougall, Jessie Clements, Baby Ava May Cleary, Teresa Black, Peter McConville, Claire McConville, Bill Morgan, Teresa Barrett, Lizzie Park, Ness Cranston, Francis Livingstone, Lorraine McBride, Tommy Monaghan, Marie Gómez Fernández, Margaret Rutherford, Martin Doherty, Ben Brownlie, Sheena

Lane, William Percy, Roddy Galbraith, Donal Hughes, Jonny Bilchak, James Reddoch, May Holland, Richard Dorman, Jessie Barr, Eileen Walker. **Recently Deceased:** Bill Gilpin, Maria Brady. **Anniversary of Death:** Alex Johnston, Kris MacMillan, Margaret Gallagher..

Special Anniversaries & Birthdays:

NOTICES

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS: Friday, 19th June. Although not a holiday of obligation even in normal times, our current trial is certainly a good reason to make us celebrate the merciful love of Christ's pierced and poured-out Heart with particular devotion. I invite everyone to follow Mass, to make a consecration of self to the Sacred Heart and to perform an act of truly self-sacrificial love in His honour on that day. No love like His; no love without His.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY: I likewise invite everyone to honour the Heart of Mary on Saturday 20th June with some special act of devotion or love.

MASS FOR JUSTICE & PEACE: On Monday 15th June. We have recently witnessed the senseless killing of an unarmed black man in Minneapolis; we have on the back of that also witnessed senseless violence and widespread disruption; and, sadly, we witness daily the enormous injustices of every kind at every level and in every society and church every day throughout the world. Let's respond to all this, not with more injustice, but with prayer, virtue and reason. "Overcome evil with good", says St. Paul.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: If anyone wishes to receive this sacrament, please phone or email me and we can set up a time and place to celebrate the sacrament in a "safe" manner.

HOLY HOUR, SUNDAY EVENING: In honour of Corpus Christi, I invite you to pray, sing, be silent and listen with me from 6-7pm. At 7pm, we will pray as usual the Ecumenical Prayer, and end with Benediction.

FRIDAYS IN JUNE: At the end of the 10am Mass we will recite the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

PARISHES' ROSARY INTENTION: For a swift end to the coronavirus.

PRAYERLINE: To ask for prayers, phone: 078037 48251.

KEEPING AN EYE AND AN EAR OPEN: Due to the current situation, it's so easy for those who are ill, elderly or alone to "slip through the cracks." Please be as

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vigilant as you can for such people near you - a wee phone call or knock on the window or door might do. And if you know of anyone from the parish in such circumstances who might especially need the sacraments or a doorstep visit from me, please don't hope somebody else will let me know but get in touch with me yourself. If anyone reading this hasn't had contact with the parish in a while, but would like a call, don't be shy. Get in touch! Otherwise, I won't know! I'm always delighted to help.

FATHER'S DAY: Don't forget to toast the "old man" next Sunday, 21st June!

CATHOLIC DOCUMENTARIES: The Bishop has sent on details of two catholic-themed documentaries which will be broadcast next week on the BBC Scotland channel. "My First Communion" – Tuesday 16th June @ 8.00pm & "Our Fathers" - Thursday 18th June, at 8.30pm.

WEEKLY COLLECTION: If you are able, please put any contribution through the letter-box of either parish house. If you wish to set up a standing order via the bank, please contact the Mrs. Karen Govaerts, who will help you. Tel: 07542 570863. Please note that bank details will not be provided by email and I would ask you not to share them with anyone else by email. Ask anyone who asks you to phone Karen. Many thanks.

SAFEGUARDING MOBILE PHONE NUMBERS: For direct access to our Parish Safeguarding Coordinators: 1) Largs (Gordon Sutherland) – 07707 598929; 2) Millport (Donnie McGilveray) – 07852 753874.

SVDP PHONE NUMBER: 07950 586214. Please direct all enquiries and requests directly to this number.

BULLETIN: The next larger-sized bulletin will be for **21st June**. Requests for notices to be included in the weekly bulletin must be submitted by 12 Noon on **Wednesdays**.

ECUMENICAL PRAYER To Be Recited together at 7pm Sunday, 14th June

Living God, you demonstrate your love for us
Though our Lord Jesus Christ.
When we are powerless,
Stand with us in our weakness.
Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Living God, you demonstrate your love for the world
Through the self-giving of our Lord Jesus Christ.
We remember those who are powerless in our world

And stand with them in their weakness.
Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Living God, as we stand with others
May we understand more fully the life we share in common.
In understanding more fully
May we embrace the richness of the life you gift us.
Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Living God, your Holy Spirit
Is the Lord and Giver of Life.
May your love be poured into our hearts
And our lives renewed.
Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

Living God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit;
Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer,
Embrace us, and all Creation,
In the love you demonstrate through our Lord Jesus Christ.
Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

NOVENA PRAYER FOR PROTECTION IN TIME OF PANDEMIC

All Parishioners are invited to say this prayer for nine consecutive days beginning on whatever day you choose. The Novena can then be repeated as long as necessary.

O Mary,
you always brighten our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain
while remaining steadfast in faith.

O loving Mother,
you know what we need,
and we are confident you will provide for us
as at Cana in Galilee.

Intercede for us with your Son Jesus,
the divine Physician,
for those who have fallen ill,
for those who are vulnerable
and for those who have died.

Intercede also for those charged with
protecting the health and safety of others
and for those who are tending to the sick

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and seeking a cure.

Help us, O Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who took upon himself our
suffering and carried our sorrows,
so as to lead us, through the Cross,
to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

***We fly to thy patronage,
O most Holy Mother of God.
Despise not our prayers in our necessities
But ever deliver us from all dangers,
O most Glorious and Blessed Virgin!***

LOVE IN BITS OF BREAD

(taken from <https://blog.franciscanmedia.org/franciscan-spirit/mother-teresa-my-god-is-called-love>)

When Mother Teresa finally began her ministry in the slums on August 17, 1948, the Eucharist continued to be the source of her strength.

“If we have our Lord in the midst of us—with daily Mass and Holy Communion, I fear nothing for the sisters or myself,” she wrote. “He will look after us. But without him I cannot be—I am helpless.”

For Mother Teresa, the Eucharist was a living sign of God’s love and care for her.

“When Jesus came into the world, he loved it so much that he gave his life for it. He wanted to satisfy our hunger for God. And what did he do? He made himself the Bread of Life. He became small, fragile and defenceless for us. Bits of bread can be so small that even a baby can chew it, even a dying person can eat it.”

The love that God showed for the world in Jesus—in his self-sacrifice on the cross and his continued gift of himself in the Eucharist—became the measure for the love she believed we all should have. “Just as Jesus allows himself to be broken, to be given to us as food, we too must break, we must share with each other.”

In those early eucharistic “visitations,” Jesus told Mother Teresa that she was to bring him to the poorest of the poor. And in taking Christ to the poor, she wanted us to rediscover “Christ, in his most distressing disguise.”

In the poor, she taught us, we meet Jesus—not a reminder of Jesus, not a symbol of Jesus, but Jesus himself, face-to-face, hungering for our love, thirsting for our kindness, waiting to be clothed by our compassion: “The shut-in, the unwanted, the unloved, the alcoholics, the dying destitutes, the abandoned and the lonely, the outcasts and untouchables, the leprosy sufferers—all those who are a burden to human society, who have lost all hope and faith in life, who have forgotten how to smile, who have lost the sensibility of the warm hand-touch of love and friendship—they look to us for comfort. If we turn our back on them, we turn it on Christ, and at the hour of our death we shall be judged if we have recognized Christ in them, and on what we have done for and to them.”

In doing unto the poor as if they were Jesus himself, she was only reading the Bible to us, repeating ancient Catholic wisdom. Everything she said you could find at the end of the 25th chapter of the Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

Mother Teresa took Jesus’ words on faith—that he would remain with us truly until the end of time, that he would come to us in the bread and wine we offer on the altar, and that when we look into the eyes of the hungry, the homeless and the unwanted, we’ll find his eyes looking back.

“Jesus has made Himself the Bread of Life to give us life. Night and day, He is there. If you really want to grow in love, come back to the Eucharist, come back to that Adoration.”

“We cannot separate our lives from the Eucharist; the moment we do, something breaks. People ask, ‘Where do the sisters get the joy and the energy to do what they are doing?’ The Eucharist involves more than just receiving; it also involves satisfying the hunger of Christ. He says, ‘Come to Me.’ He is hungry for souls.”

Saint Teresa of Calcutta

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CHILDREN'S CORNER



Today we have two pictures! The one on the left is of the Last Supper. The one on the right is of the big host you see the priest using at Mass on Sunday. The thing that is holding that big host is called a "monstrance"! See if you can find out what the word monstrance means.

What is Jesus doing in the picture? What's that in his hand? What will he do next (clue: the cup on the table)? What's in the cup? What do the things in his hand and in the cup become?

Do you think Jesus eats and drinks everything himself? No! He gives it to the others at the table. Who are they? Is there anyone else in the room not at the table? Who is that? What's he doing? The Last Supper was the first Mass. Jesus told us to repeat it to remember him.

What Jesus has in his hand looks very different from what is in the monstrance, doesn't it? But it's the same thing! They are both kinds of bread without yeast. I wonder what we call bread that has no yeast?

When we have all received holy communion and Mass is over, the priest puts away the bread left over (which we call the Eucharist or the Blessed Sacrament) in a special place called the tabernacle. Can you remember where the tabernacle is in your church?

But the priest keeps one of those big white hosts separate. He then puts it in the monstrance at special times to place it on the altar for people to adore. We adore it because Jesus is still truly present in that holy bread. We adore in silent love and keep our hearts open to let Jesus love us, help us and give us his peace. Jesus is waiting for you to adore him, too! When?