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ST PIUS X HOCKLEY**

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The Body and Blood of Christ

My dear people,

This Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of Christ. We focus our attention on the great mystery of Christ's presence among us in the form of bread and wine. The Fathers of the Church often spoke in terms of Christ being "veiled" in the Eucharistic Bread, as if He is concealed from view. This imagery is taken up in the Mass, as the Chalice is "veiled", with a cloth, often matching the liturgical colour of the day. The Chalice is unveiled for the Eucharist itself, as it were revealing Christ for us.

In the same way, a Bishop reveals Christ as he removes his Mitre (or a Priest removing his Beretta), for he is at the Altar "in persona Christi", he is there as Christ, saying the words of Christ.

Even the Missal unveils the words of the Mass as it is opened, to reveal the words of Christ in the Eucharist.

Thus the Mass continues to aid us in our adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament:

O bread of heaven, beneath this veil

thou dost my very God conceal;
my Jesus, dearest treasure, hail;
I love thee and adoring kneel;
each loving soul by thee is fed
with thine own self in form of bread.

Wishing you every blessing,
Fr Gerry

Our Week at a Glance

Monday 24th June

2 - 4pm Wellspring Tearoom Open

Tuesday 25th June

2 - 4pm Wellspring Tearoom Open

7.10pm - Evening Prayer

7.30pm - Mass

Wednesday 26th June

10.30 am - Legion of Mary

2 - 4pm Wellspring Tearoom Open

Thursday 27th June

9.10 - Morning Prayer

9.30am - Mass

2 - 4pm - Wellspring Tearoom Open

7pm - Works of Art

Friday 28th June

9.30am - Mass

10am - 3.15pm - Wellspring
Tearoom Open

3.30 - 4.30 - Adoration

Saturday 29th June

9.30 am - Mass



***Adoration every Friday
3.30pm - 4.30pm***

***How we serve in the name of
Jesus***

The Legion of Mary is here to serve our parish beneath the standard of Our Lady's loving care. Meetings are held at **10.30 am on Wednesdays in the narthex of St Teresa's Church.** New members welcome.

Quote from the Legion of Mary:
St Theresa wrote that prayer is above all 'a surge of the heart toward God.' That doesn't mean that we should never use words to pray, but it does mean that true prayer is always an expression of personal relationship in which your heart reaches towards the heart of God.

St Vincent de Paul Society -
Turning Concern into Action
If you can help in any way please call David Whines on 01702 205269. This SVP is based at Our Lady of Ransom, Rayleigh.



As Catholics, one of the most profound ways we encounter Jesus Christ is in the Sacraments.

Baptism - This Sunday Mia & Freya will be welcomed into the family of God as they receive the Sacrament of Baptism. Congratulations and God Bless.

If you are thinking about preparing your child/children for Baptism please speak to Fr Gerry after Mass.

First Holy Communion -

Our First Holy Communion Programme for 2020 will commence in September. Further details will follow in due course.

Confirmation

If you are in Year 9 and above we invite you to write an email to Fr Gerry asking to receive this Sacrament. Preparation for 2020 will not begin until the Autumn so perhaps you could use this time to pray about this decision.

Do you know anyone who would like to come to Mass but cannot get there? We are not asking you to bring them to Mass but would ask that you let Fr Gerry know who they are so we can do everything we can to allow them the opportunity to attend. Thank you.



**THIS SUNDAY! PLEASE
JOIN US!**



For many years our parish has been very blessed to have two wonderful Catechists; **Elaine and Helen**; preparing our young people for the Sacrament of Confirmation . We are so very grateful that God led them to our parish to carry out this wonderful role and express our huge thanks to them both.

Sadly Helen will be taking a break for a while and I am sure many of you will join me in thanking Helen for her many years of hard work, commitment and most of all prayerfulness. May God Bless you always.

Notices

Thank you to our lovely Filipino Community who raised £26.04 from their recent coffee morning.



If you would like to help the parish in this way there is a coffee morning rota up at the back of church. Thank you.

Our *Marvellous* Summer Party to -
23rd June 12noon - 4pm

***BBQ**

***BAR**

***AFTERNOON TEA**

***FUN & GAMES**

***BOUNCY CASTLE**

***SUPER RAFFLE**

***TIME WITH FRIENDS!**

***HELPING YOUR CHURCH**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
SUPPORT**

Our Next meeting is 5th July 2019
7- 9.30pm

**YOUTH
CLUB**

*Pizza * Chips * Southern Fried chicken* Tuck Shop* Soft Drinks* Milk Shake* Hot Choc* Table Soccer* Safety Darts* Table Tennis* Board Games* Music* FUN!
Run on a donation basis - School Year 6 upwards....

Works of Art: Thurs 27th June in St Teresa's Narthex, 7pm. This month's theme ~ *The Holy Spirit*. Come along and give it a go!

Carmelite Pilgrimage to Aylesford
Priory to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Sunday 14th July.

11.30am - Holy Mass

2pm - Talk

3.30pm - Rosary Procession and Benediction

Please bring a packed lunch.

Coach from Nazareth House at 8.45am (phone Bernadette on 01702 421891) or St Peters at 9.15am (Phone Anne on 01702 527307).

All welcome.



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catholicbryan Look at the pics. How do you dress for Mass? Like your going to worship God the King of the whole universe or like your going to the park, to school, or to the beach? Who is God to you? Does He mean anything? How you dress for Mass shows how much you respect God and how much you recognize His Awesomeness. The better and more nicely we dress the more we show the proper respect for God that He deserves. Dress really nicely each Sunday. Dont let our casual culture kill how God should be respected.

HELP NEEDED

Our popular **Mother and Toddler Group** which runs every Wednesday morning (term time only) is seeking volunteers. Can you give a few hours of your time to help provide a welcoming place for our parish families each week?

If you are interested please speak to Fr Gerry, we would love to hear from you.



Thank You!

Parish Finance

1st Collection - 2nd June 2019 £623.87

Please continue to pray for our parish, that we may raise sufficient funds to cover the many outgoings.

Next Sunday we welcome Sr Aurora Salgado de Abreu from the Comboni Missionary Sisters for their Annual Mission Appeal. There will be a second collection after Mass. Please be as generous as you can.

If you have any items you would like to go in the newsletter please email: stteresarochford@icloud.com before Thursday. Thank you, Christine

Daily: Pray for each other, that we may hear the voice of Jesus speaking clearly to us, and that we may have hearts open to share his love.

Sunday: The Sick: Karen Landy, Joe Mullany, Renate Butler, Angela Read, Jonathan Somervell, Norma Goater, Andrew Stevens. The people of the Middle East and especially our Christian brothers and sisters.

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Tuesday: The Sick: Keith Short, John Rice, Nellie Smith, Graham Gardener, Mary Reilly, Pat Murray, Christina Thomas, Edward Cunado, Chris Godfrey. For the the people of Osizweni Parish and their Minister Fr Tony Kazibwe.

Wednesday: Gerald Miller, Eve Stocks, Jim Beck, Sarah Knight, Kevin Cosset, Ethan Adlum, Penny Stiles, William

McArthur, John Hennessy, Margaret Hennessy, Sarah Fisher & Marjorie Jay. For the Queen and her ministers, that they may govern us wisely. For our own Parish Priest Fr Gerry.

Thursday:The Sick: Rosie, Kenneth Jobson, Venus Rubertazzi, Ellen Franklin, Ron & Jackie Gravestock, John Vasey, Baby David, Mary Norris, Sheila Van de Vyver, Len Smith & Sarah Jane Jackson. The Farming Community.

Friday: The recently departed: Marcella Murphy. Those whose anniversaries fall this week: Baby Challis, Sr Mary Francis, Michael Jackson, Patrick Lee, Paul Wallaker, & Jules Lincoln.

Saturday: The Sick: Bartly Igoe, Padraig Evers, Margaret Thomas, Oliver Kelly, Helen Clapp & Terry Lewis. Our Student Priests: Rick, Patrick, Gary, Michael, Adrian, Paschal, Eamonn, Alexander, Tony, Damien & Jonathan.

Sat	22	5.30pm	The Body and Blood of Christ	Pauline Connor RIP	JC
Sun	23	9.00am St Pius X		Pro Populo	
		10.30am		Ints Simplicio, Anastacia, Oscar, Delores & Roberto Gonzales	L&N
Mon	24	No Mass Today	Nativity of St Hohn the Baptist		
Tues	25	7.30pm		Ints Fr Gary Dench on his Ordination	FrG
Wed	26	No Mass Today			
Thur	27	9.30am			
Friday	28	9.30am	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus		
Sat	29	9.30am	The Immaculate Heart of Mary	In thanksgiving for the work of the Legion of Mary	
Sat	29	5.30pm	SS Peter & Paul	Pro Populo	
Sun	30	9.00am St Pius X			
		10.30am		Fr Neil McLaughlin RIP	Pac t

