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11th June 2023

Solemnity of The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ – Year A

Sunday 11th June <i>The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ</i> Diocesan Prayer Link <i>Holy Cross, Bedminster</i>	6.00pm (Sat) Mass Luisa Bifilco <i>RIP</i> 9.00am Mass Kate & Paul Nash <i>RIP</i> 10.30am Mass People of the Parish <i>12.30pm Polish Mass</i> <i>2.30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> <i>4.15pm Benediction</i> 5.30pm Mass John Swioklo <i>RIP</i>
Monday 12th June <i>Weekday of Ordinary Time</i>	<i>9.10am Morning Prayer</i> 9.30am Mass Mary Teresa Moore <i>RIP</i>
Tuesday 13th June <i>St Anthony of Padua</i>	<i>6.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> 7.00pm Mass Ints of Tom Blackburn
Wednesday 14th June <i>Weekday of Ordinary Time</i>	<i>11.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> 12.00pm Mass Gertrude Violet Flower <i>RIP</i>
Thursday 15th June <i>Weekday of Ordinary Time</i>	<i>9.10am Morning Prayer</i> 9.30am Mass Street People of Gloucester
Friday 16th June <i>The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</i>	<i>9.10am Morning Prayer</i> 9.30am Mass Julian & Patricia Szarek <i>RIP</i> <i>7.00pm Polish Mass</i>
Saturday 17th June <i>Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	9.00am Mass Ints of Fr Donal Daly 11.00am Mass First Holy Communion Mass <i>4.30pm – 5.30pm Confessions</i> 6.00pm Mass Ints of Margaret Ashcroft <i>7.30pm Polish Mass</i>
Sunday 18th June <i>Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9.00am Mass Frank & Kathleen Nash <i>RIP</i> 10.30am Mass People of the Parish <i>12.30pm Polish Mass</i> 5.30pm Mass Veronica Devassy <i>RIP</i>

This Week: Ordinary Time Week 10, weekday readings Year 1. Daily Prayer of the Church: Week 2.

Church Cleaning: After mass on Monday morning, thanks to all who help each week.

Last Weekend: Attendance – 757 Offertory - £2012.37 (including £436.00 online/contactless) Donations - £143.35 (including £80.00.00 online/contactless) Priests' Retirement Fund - £1097.31 (including £128.00 online/contactless). The retiring collection next weekend is for 'A Day for Life'.

Baptism: We welcome into the family of the church Olive Flanagan baptised last weekend.

First Holy Communion: Please keep in your prayers the 33 children who made their First Holy Communion in St Peter's Church yesterday and the 34 children who will make their First Holy Communion next Saturday, 17th June. Please note that the daily parish mass next Saturday will be at 9.00am but there are no morning confessions.

Thank you: To the person who donated all the art supplies to Little Church last week. They are gratefully appreciated.

Eucharistic Adoration: There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St Peter's Church today, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus Christ (Corpus Christi), from 2.30pm ending with Benediction at 4.15pm.

Holy Communion Under Both Kinds: The practice of offering Holy Communion under both kinds at weekday masses will resume tomorrow, Monday June 12th. The practice will be reintroduced to weekend masses over the coming weeks. Receiving both the Body and Blood of Christ, i.e. 'communion under both kinds' has been an option in parishes for many years but, sadly, the COVID-19 pandemic gave rise to very legitimate concerns about distribution under both species and therefore dioceses and parishes worldwide stopped offering communion under both kinds. Now, thankfully, after an absence of over two years, the Bishops of England and Wales have decided that we will be able, once again, to start offering the opportunity to receive the Precious Blood from the Chalice during Mass. Put simply, Jesus said 'take and eat, take and drink...' It will, of course, be each individual's choice whether they receive from the chalice or not and, as we know, the Church teaches that the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Christ is present in both the Sacred Host and Precious Blood, so there is no obligation to receive Holy Communion from the chalice. The Eucharist is at the heart of our lives of faith. It defines who we are as disciples of Christ: it is our source, our strength, our sustenance in all that we do to be Church. Christ gifts us with himself, for the Eucharist is the abiding memory of his love and all that his life, death and resurrection offers us. As we receive Christ in the Eucharist, that memory prompts us to be Christ for others. The word 'Eucharist' means 'thanksgiving' and in receiving communion we give thanks and praise for all that Christ has done for us. We receive Christ's Body and Blood in order that we, too, might become his Body and Blood - broken and poured out for our world. We are to be reasons for others to give thanks and celebrate. As St Augustine said, 'We, the Body of Christ, receive the Body of Christ, in order that we might become the Body of Christ for our world'.

RIP: We ask your prayers for those who have died recently:

Basil 'Dan' Esson. Funeral service on Thursday 15th June at 11.00am followed by burial at Coney Hill Cemetery.

Publications: Monthly edition of The Catholic Herald (£5) & The Universe Catholic Weekly (£3.50) available at the back of the church.

Parish Registration: If you haven't already done so we encourage you to register your contact details via the registration tab on the parish website homepage.

Thank you again for giving to CAFOD's Lent appeal! Your generous donations, rooted in love, will support families around the world grow in strength to fight food shortage and the climate crisis.

CAFOD: Did you know that Church teaching says that we should not only support those in poverty but also tackle the root causes of poverty? Pope Benedict XVI said that "Love — caritas — is an extraordinary force which leads people to opt for courageous and generous engagement in the field of justice and peace." For decades CAFOD has spoken out against injustice. To find out more and get involved in tackling the root causes of poverty, please go to cafod.org.uk/latestcampaigns

Bl Carlo Acutis Eucharistic Miracles Encounter/ Exhibition: On Saturday 17th June in The Old Priory, St Gregory's Church, Cheltenham GL50 3PR doors open at 11.45 am - see poster for more details,

We remember those who have asked for our prayers: Fr Donal Daly, Andrea Brushneen, Sue Hartnett, Pat O'Ryan, Cheryl Loy, Natalia Price, Sharon Scott, Christopher Browne, Kathy Smith, Joan O'Connell, Sandra Flanagan, Jean Crickett, Dan Roche, Oliver Cuffe, Michael Casey, Terri Tyreman, Kitty McMahon, Beth Leeder, Tess Lane, David Murphy, Rosemary de Castro Lima, Richard Johnson. In compliance with the requirements of GDPR permission must be sought from an individual (or next of kin) before their name can be added to a list of those who are sick. Do please advise of any changes to be made to this list.