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# Newsletter for the week commencing 15th June 2025

## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (C)

<u>Entrance Antiphon</u>: Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

First Reading: The Book of Proverbs 8: 22-31

Psalm 8 Response O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name through all the earth.

Second Reading: The Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans 5: 1-5

Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, the God who is and sho

was and who is to come. Alleluia.

Gospel: John 16: 12-15

<u>Communion Antiphon:</u> Since you are the children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

## Father Behr writes:

Dear Parishioners,

#### **Parish AGM**

On Friday 5 September we have our parish Annual General Meeting (AGM). This is a great opportunity to come together. Our Finance Committee will present an overview of the spending and we can have plenty of time for reflecting on our parish.

David Green suggested we have fish and chips together from 6pm and then open the meeting for 7pm. There will be a sign up sheet for the fish and chips nearer the time.

Please put the date in your diary. More details and agenda for the AGM will be available nearer the time.

There will be a second collection for Day For Life this weekend.

#### Fr Behr

## Your Prayers are asked for:

Recently deceased: Andrew Czaykowski RIP, June Munton RIP, Giles Hutt RIP

**Those ill or infirm: Sophie,** Lady Wyn McWilliams, Michael Payne, Roger Styles, Mary Basher, Paul Lane, Mara McDermot, Ailish Cantwell (Jones), Joe Adams, Ellie Lawrence, Patricia Hook, Josie Payne, Pat Holland and all those who are unwell and in need of our prayers.

Those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time: Agnes Venables, Bertha Sharp, Ann Mallett, Doris Bourne and Palais Blair-Drummond.

RIP

M	asses and services for the week (14th – 22nd .	June),		
Feasts and Mass intentions.				
Saturday 14th June	No public Mass am			
Feria	6pm Vigil Mass People of the Parish	Reader: Pat		
Sunday 15th June	10am Mass Rose Daly RIP (Bridget)	Reader: Kathy		
THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (C)	12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass			
Monday 16th June	10am Mass Annie and Basil Baldwin RIP			
St Richard of Chichester, Bishop				
Tuesday 17th June	10am Mass Rev Fr Colum Curran, Anniversary of Ordination			
Feria				
Wednesday 18th June	10am Service of Word and Communion			
Feria				
Thursday 19th June	9am Adoration			
St John Rigby, Martyr	10am Mass Jean Dean RIP			
Friday 20th June	10am Mass In Reparation (Margaret)			

St Alban, Martyr	Adoration 10.30 – 11am	
Saturday 21st June	No public Mass am	
St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious	6pm Vigil Mass People of the Parish	Reader: Peter
Sunday22nd June	<b>10am Mass</b> Chris and Liz Leahy 40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary	Reader: Suzanne
THE MOST HOLY BODY AND	12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass	
BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS		
CHRISTI C)		
	Flowers: for 22nd June - Suzanne	
	Cleaning – 22nd June – Liz and David Green	

**Confession** Fr Behr is available for Confession every Saturday from 10.30am - 11am. He is also happy to visit those who are not able to come to church.

**Children's Liturgy** Children's Liturgy at the 10am Mass is on the first Sunday of every month. All children who have not made their First Holy Communion are welcome to attend. The next lesson with Lorraine is Sunday, July 6th

**Parish WhatsApp** Our parish has a WhatsApp group. We will post parish events including social events, special occasions and requests for help in the parish as well as general parish news. If you would like to join please get in touch with Fr Behr.

On Tuesday after Mass at 10.30am we have a coffee morning. We will be exploring the options for new Stations of the Cross for our parish church. This is a great way to come together and get involved in an important project for our parish.

We are going to look at what is available and put some options together for our parish.

**On Friday 27 June** we celebrate the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart with Mass at 10am followed by a Holy Hour of Adoration and devotion.

If you would like to deepen your devotion to the Sacred Heart please join in our Litany of the Sacred Heart before Mass on Saturday, starting this Saturday from about 5.50pm and Sunday from about 9.50am.

## Message from Medway Catholic Men:

### Sacred and Eucharistic Heart of Jesus: model for Catholic men

Men of the parish are invited to a special holy hour on Friday 27th June, solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Eucharistic adoration, Rosary, Sacred Heart devotions, and presentation by Alan Ashfield, Kent chairman of The Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration. Food and drinks served. 7.30pm onwards, St Michael's parish, Chatham ME4 6PU. Contact: medwaycatholicmen@outlook.com

#### Day for Life

Every year the Church in England, Wales, Scotland, and Ireland marks the Day for Life, as a reminder of the need to respect and protect the inherent value and dignity of each life. This year it will be celebrated on 15th June, Trinity Sunday. Ahead of the Day for Life, we invite the faithful in all three conferences to join in prayer through the Novena for Life. This will run up to the Feast of the Visitation, between the 23rd and the 31st of May. Prayers for each day can be found on the Day for Life page of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales' website. On the website you can also find a special message from the bishops and more prayers and resources.

On **15th June** we also ask parishes to hold a **second collection for the Day for Life Fund**. Every year the fund allocates over £200,000 in grants to organisations which promote respect for life in various ways. Donations can be also made online via the Catholic Bishops' Conference website, where you will find out more information about Day for Life.

Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis visiting St George's Cathedral - <u>26-29 June</u>. St George's Cathedral will be visited by a relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis. On Thursday <u>26 June</u>, an evening of adoration and veneration of the relic for young adults is taking place. On <u>Friday 27 June</u>, Archbishop John will preside at the <u>6pm</u> Solemn Mass of the Sacred Heart, which will include the veneration of the relic. On <u>Saturday 28 June</u>, there will be a "morning with Carlo Acutis", which will include Mass, adoration, rosary and a talk on the relic. An <u>exhibition</u> will also be on display at the Cathedral <u>from 19 June to 7 July</u>. Visit: <u>stgeorgescathedral.org.uk</u> for more information.

**Hope in Adoration**. As part of the Jubilee Year, Archbishop John is encouraging people to turn to the Lord Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration and have their hopes "fulfilled by Christ".

The campaign, Hope in Adoration, will share testimonies from parish priests and laity throughout the year on how Eucharistic Adoration has helped them build a closer

relationship with the Lord Jesus. Resources will also be made available for free and there is a comprehensive list of times of Eucharistic Adoration in parishes across the Archdiocese. Find out more about the campaign at rcaos.org.uk/hopeina We have two opportunities for Adoration in our parish. On Thursday mornings from 9am and on Friday mornings from 10.30am.

**Catechetical Institute.** Thanks to the generosity of the <u>Archbishop's Appeal</u> and the Franciscan University, every parishioner, catechist, parent and teacher in our schools and parishes will now have **free access** to over 120 high-quality workshops from the Catechetical Institute. Each parish features on

the <u>Franciscan platform(https://franciscanathome.com/southwark</u>). It's simple to sign-up, with a short video on the Agency page (<a href="https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/franciscan">https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/franciscan</a>) to guide you through. This offering is free to everyone until September 2025.

#### Mass in Celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage, July 12th 2025, at St George's Cathedral

If you are celebrating your 1st/10th/25th/40th/50th/60th + wedding anniversary this year, please let us know as soon as possible, and no later than the middle of May, providing the following details: your names in the format John and Mary Smith, your home address, your parish, and the anniversary you are celebrating, so you can receive an invitation from the Archbishop for the renewal of vows during Mass. Spaces are limited.

Contact Carole at mflkent@rcaos.org.uk . As the title of your email, please write your parish location e.g. Maidstone,

**We Believe.** Celebrate the Jubilee at We Believe, a festival of Catholic Life gathering the Church to share the hope that we have in Christ. From 25th-28th July, join us for four days of music, keynotes, conversation & worship at St Mary's College, Oscott, Birmingham. Featuring Dr Gianna Emanuela Molla (daughter of St Gianna Molla), Fr Paul Murray, Msgr Michael Nazir-Ali, AnMari, Fr Toby Lees & many more. Early Bird Tickets available now at <a href="https://www.webelievefestival.com">www.webelievefestival.com</a>

The Well: Evening of Eucharistic revival with Christopher West and Mike Mangione. On 11 September from 6.30pm-9.30pm, St George's Cathedral is hosting a special evening of beauty, reflection and Eucharistic revival. The heart burns with a mysterious thirst; THE WELL is an invitation to quench that thirst. THE WELL engages the imagination and the senses with live music by Mike Mangione and the dynamic presentation of Christopher West, for a revival like you've never experienced before. Tickets cost £21 and can be booked via reaos.org.uk/thewell2025.

**Evangelium 2025 conference** - <u>15-17 August</u>. A conference on Catholic faith, life and culture to help make faithful young Catholic adults effective for Mission. Over the years, hundreds have ignited their faith through Evangelium. Guest speakers include Fr Marcus Holden and Fr Mark Wharton. Book and more details: <u>saintant.com/product/evangelium-2025</u> & <u>poster here</u>.

Alone or bored in your marriage? Considering separation or are already divorced? If you are open to try again – **Retrouvaille** could be the solution. We have helped thousands of couples get back on track. Call to find out more <a href="https://www.retrouvaille.org.uk">www.retrouvaille.org.uk</a> +44 797 338 0443