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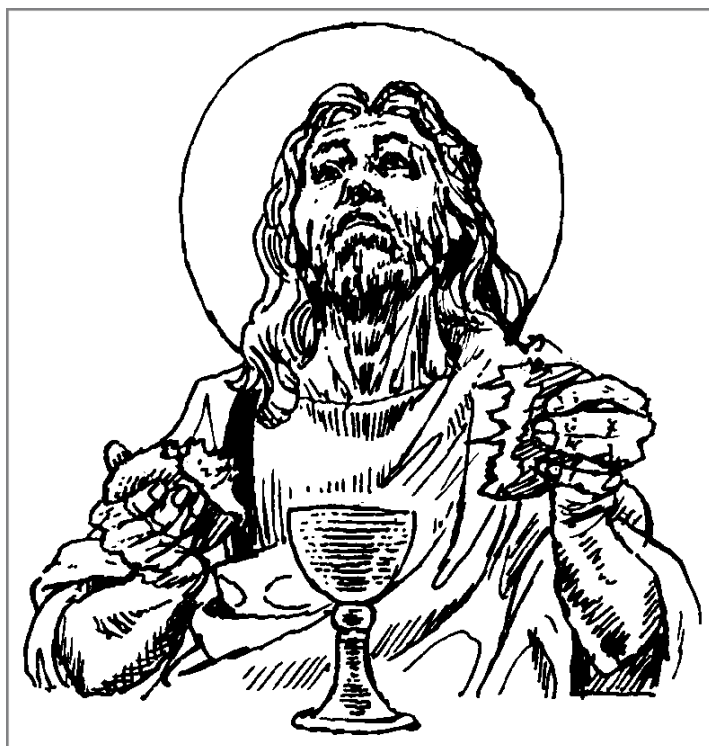
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FEAST OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST ('Corpus Christi')



The Redeeming, Healing Blood of Christ.

Jesus calls out to us - 'Come eat this Broken Bread that will heal your brokenness; Come drink this overflowing Cup that will be poured into your wounds and make you whole!' Jesus did not say only 'come eat!'

It was an historical accident of disastrous proportions that led (during the medieval times of plague and Black Death) to the people not sharing the Cup of the Lord's Sacrifice and Love. What became a corrupt and anti-biblical tradition remained in force until the Second Vatican Council. The Cup is meant to be drunk by all, for it carries the Sacred Blood of Christ that is the Blood that redeems us, the Blood that is poured into our wounds by Jesus the Good Samaritan that we might be whole and love be set free in us. Do not neglect to Drink from the Cup the Lord shares with us - the Cup He died to give us! In the Roman Catholic Church we DRINK from the Cup, not 'dip' the host: drinking from the same cup expresses our love for one another.

SUNDAY: PARISH MASS with Adoration & Benediction at 10am (streamed: Parish Website)

MONDAY: Adoration at 5.30pm Mass at 6.00pm

TUESDAY: Adoration at 6.00pm Mass at 6.30pm

WEDNESDAY: *Feast of St Columba (or Columcille), Celtic Monk of Iona (521-597)*

Prayer and Reflection at 10.00am (live-streamed on Face Book)

Adoration at 5.30pm **Mass at 6.00pm** (Live-streamed on Parish Website)

THURSDAY: Adoration at 11.30am Mass at 12 noon

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FRIDAY: FEAST OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS*Adoration at 6.30pm Healing Mass at 7.00pm (Live-streamed on Parish Website)***SATURDAY: Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary***Adoration at 11.00am Mass at 12 noon**Evening Prayer & Adoration at 5.30pm (live-streamed on Parish Face Book)***Sacrament of Reconciliation: by appointment only**

TODAY [1] We celebrate the **Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ ('Corpus Christi')**, giving thanks for 'this most wonderful Sacrament' that binds us together as One Loaf, roots us in Christ Jesus, nourishes us with this Food of Eternal Life, enabling us to become 'bread in God's hands to be broken and given to the world'. Let us never take the gift of the Mass, of Christ in the Eucharist for granted, but let us always hunger and thirst for Christ and for the Community that is His Body.

[2] As we cannot as yet hold a Corpus Christi Procession, there will be a **time of Adoration at the conclusion of the Mass with a 'Lourdes-style' Benediction of the whole community**. Please try to stay and pray in honour of Christ's Presence among us in the Eucharist.

NEXT SUNDAY [1] With the **Eleventh Sunday of the Year**, the green vestments reappear - symbolising our call to be a People of Hope, bring hope of justice and humanity to our world; symbolising our growth as disciples of the Lord Jesus, seeking to bear the fruit of God's love, Justice and peace for people to 'taste and see that the Lord is Good'. Jesus gives us two 'Parables of the Kingdom' - both emphasising this growth of love in the quiet silence of our lives 'hidden in Christ', growing a Church that welcomes and shelters all.

[2] We have the joy of celebrating the **Liturgy of Enrolment for First Eucharist** 21 children and their families. Please pray them in the weeks that lie ahead.

DIOCESAN PRAYER Today the Diocese prays for the parishes in Communion for Mission of St Catharine, Chipping Camden, Our Lady & St Kenelm, Stow-on-the-Wold, with Bourton-on-the-Water, served by Fr John Brennan, Fr Stephen Lambert, Parish Administrator, Andrew Gorzynski, and all their communities.

PRAY FOR THIS WEEK'S PARISH MINISTRY OR MISSION This week, pray God's Blessing for the **Life and Ministry of our Ethiopian Community**. One of the most ancient churches, tracing their history back to the Acts of the Apostles, we rejoice that we have been able to offer them a home for some years. Please pray for them as they seek a place large enough to accommodate their community.

WORD OF GOD FOR TENTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME**Sunday** Exodus 24:3-8 / Psalm 115 / Hebrews 9: 11-15 / Mark 14: 12-16, 22-26**Monday** 2 Corinthians 1: 1-7 / Psalm 33 / Romans 12: 9-16 / Matthew 5: 1-2**Tuesday** 2 Corinthians 1: 18-22 / Psalm 118 / Matthew 5: 13-16**Wednesday** 2 Corinthians 3: 4-11 / Psalm 98 / Matthew 5: 17-19**Thursday** 2 Corinthians 3: 15-4: 1, 3-6 / Psalm 84 / Matthew 5: 20-26**Friday** Hosea 11: 1, 3-4, 8-9 / Responsorial Isaiah 12 / Ephesians 3: 8-12, 14-19 / John 19: 31-37**Saturday** 2 Corinthians 5: 14-21 / Psalm 102 / Luke 2: 41-51**COLLECTIONS LAST WEEK**

Env £95.00 + Loose £135.00 + PayPal £ + S/O £111.05 = TOTAL: £341.05 thanks!

Donation £500.00 **Gift from Ethiopian Church** £100.00 - many thanks *I wish to thank all who give great and small amounts to the work and mission of the parish serving the Kingdom of God.*

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DATES FOR THE DIARY

6th June	Feast of Corpus Christ (Body and Blood of the Lord)
9th June	Parish Pastoral Council meets on Zoom at 7.00pm
11th June	Feast of the Sacred Heart - Healing Mass at 7.00pm
14th June	Second Dose Vaccination Clinic at St Nicks
18th June	Parents Baptismal Preparation Session One at 6.30pm on Zoom
22nd June	Parish Finance Committee at 7.15pm (Parish Office)
23rd June	Borderlands Trustees meet
24th June	Diocesan Safeguarding Commission
25th June	Parents Baptismal Preparation Session Two at 6.30pm on Zoom
27th June	Annual Parish Financial Statement at Mass
29th June	Feast Ss Peter and Paul (Holy Day of Obligation)
4th July	Baptismal Sunday at 10am Mass
18th July	First Eucharist Sunday
23-25 July	Annual Quest Conference - for details contact John Flannery
1st Aug	Rite of Child Catechumen with Spanish translation at 10am Mass
3rd Aug	Borderlands Trustees meet
6th Aug	Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord & Hiroshima Day
8th Aug	Baptismal Sunday for Spanish speaking families at 10am Mass
13th Aug	Parents Baptismal Preparation Session One at 6.30pm (Assisi Centre)
15th Aug	Feast of the Assumption of Mary
15th Aug	Rite of Child Catechumen at 10am Mass
20th Aug	Parents Baptismal Preparation Session Two at 6.30pm on Zoom
22nd Aug	First Eucharist Sunday for Spanish Speaking children at 10am Mass
29th Aug	Baptismal Sunday at 10.00am Mass
5th Sept	Patronal Feast of St Nicholas of Tolentino - celebration Mass at 10.00am
10-12 Sept	Root and Branch Synod in Bristol - participation encouraged.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION FOR PARENTS

If you wish your child to be baptised at St Nicks, please contact Eustace (07860876640) or Richard as soon as possible to enrol in the parents preparation. There are two Baptismal Sundays scheduled (in addition to the Baptismal Sunday with Spanish translations also scheduled) please see all dates below. Spanish speaking preparation Sessions notified next Sunday.

18th June: Parents Baptismal Preparation Session One at 6.30pm on Zoom

25th June: Parents Baptismal Preparation Session Two at 6.30pm on Zoom

Rite of Child Catechumen 20th June; Baptisms 4th July both at 10am Mass

13th August: Parents Baptismal Preparation Session One at 6.30pm (Assisi Centre)

20th August: Parents Baptismal Preparation Session Two at 6.30pm (Assisi Centre)

Rite of Child Catechumen 15th August; Baptisms 29th August - both at 10am Mass

With Spanish Translation: Rite of Child Catechumen 1st Aug; Baptisms 8th Aug 10am

FIRST EUCHARIST ARRANGEMENTS FOR OUR SPANISH-SPEAKING FAMILIES

We are grateful to Jackie Chenier for her work with both the Latin American children and their families. Because of issues of language with this community, it has been decided to have a separate First Eucharist Sunday with Spanish translation on **Sunday 22nd August at 10.00am Mass.**

SECOND DOSE VACCINE CLINIC AT ST NICK'S

All who received their first vaccine Dose at St Nick's on April 29th are requested to come back to St Nick's for their Second Dose on Monday 14th June. **Please come at the same time you did for your first dose, bringing the vaccination card you were given then.** This is for the second dose only - first dose will not be given at this 'pop-up' clinic. With the new Indian Variant it is most im-

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portant that all receive the second dose to strength their immunity and thereby also protect the family and wider community. Thank you!

FIRST EUCHARIST PROGRAMME - PARENTS MEETINGS The special sessions for the parents are also very important and an essential part of the Preparation programme:
Spanish-speaking parents in the church alternate Saturdays at 2.30-4.15pm
English-speaking parents on Zoom alternate Fridays at 6.30-7.30pm.
THESE PARENTS MEETINGS ARE ESSENTIAL TO THE PROGRAMME OF PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES JOURNEYING TO FIRST EUCHARIST.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL - 9th June at 7.00pm Pope Francis has called upon the whole Church to engage in a two year Global Synod - a call to listen to one another, to take seriously the many diverse voices and cultures in our Universal Church and thereby listen to what the Spirit is saying the Church today. This is what we seek to do in our Parish Pastoral Council and Parish Forum, which is why these meetings are so important.

LOV VERBUM DEI - A LECTIO DIVINA ON ZOOM This prayer initiative has grown up in Bristol and reached Catholics all around the world since the pandemic began. The group is open to anyone (clergy, lay, religious, non-religious) – and now has members throughout the UK and in many other countries around the world. **LOV Verbum Dei family** began in Bristol at the start of the pandemic in 2020, bringing together Catholics worldwide for daily scripture, podcasts and weekly online prayer gatherings. Through intercessory prayer, meditations, and sacred music, we strive to fulfil our founding principle of the meaning of LOV: To read-To pray-To live daily the Word of God in our lives. To know more and get involved in this very special ministry please use this link: https://linktr.ee/lov_verbumdei

ROOT AND BRANCH INCLUSIVE SYNOD IN BRISTOL Inspired by Pope Francis's synodal vision, some lay Catholics from across the UK invite you to embrace and advance renewal, reform and healing in the Catholic Church. Already taking place twice-monthly on Zoom, Root and Branch Inclusive Synod will reach its conclusions on issues of equality, inclusion and governance in **online workshops from 5 – 8 September 2021**. **The Synod will culminate with a conference on 10 – 12 September 2021**, earthed in the conference centre of St Michael's Church, Stoke Gifford. It will start with the presence of Rt. Revd. Vivienne Faul, Bishop of Bristol, and a recorded welcome from Bishop Declan Lang, Bishop of Clifton. Speakers (like Mary McAleese, former President of the Irish Republic and a campaigner for the reform of the Church) will encourage a process of of "Heart speaks unto heart" (St John Henry Newman), with laity, religious and clergy meeting as equals. "Do not be afraid" says Jesus – not be afraid to speak to one another with honesty about issues affecting us deeply in our Church today. Come together, give each other the confidence to speak and listen. For further information about this Synod: how to Zoom with us and how to book for the virtual and actual Synod, please visit: <https://www.rootandbranchsynod.org>

JUNE - MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART June is dedicated to pondering the immensity of divine humanity - God with a human heart Who loves us beyond the breaking of His Heart. God is at least as vulnerable and tender, open to experiencing our pain (such is the depth of His love) as He is all-powerful. He is both creator and pain-bearer. The Sacred Heart of Jesus calls us to enter into His opened, pierced Heart and find there our home, the source of our poor loving, and the woundedness that will heal every wound of our hearts and lives. Not only does His love pour out like water of life on the dry ground of our desert loveless Earth, but He invites us to come and enter in to His own pain-bearing, ever forgiving and peace-making Heart and become a flame of His love cast upon the Earth, a co-worker with Him in the endless task of re-shaping the world and our sisters and brothers in the gentle power of the Divine Love in us and through us! ALLELUIA!!

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