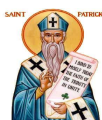


## WELCOME TO



# Holy Cross & St Patrick Parish

*Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour – The Salvatorians*

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**Parish Office: Tuesday & Wednesday – 9.00 to 3pm. Thursday 9.00 to 2.30pm**

## CORPUS CHRISTI The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ YEAR C Ps4 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2025 Page 83

Today the Church celebrates the feast of Corpus Christi, the Body and Blood of Christ, the Eucharist. It is the greatest and deepest mystery of the Church and the centre of the Christian life. There is no Church without celebrating “*do this in memory of me.*”

When Jesus comes to us, He comes as communion. He comes to us as the divine lover. His love is so immense that he himself is defined as Love.

And the Holy Eucharist is the most visible sign of God's love for each one of us. Jesus loves us so much that he cannot leave us alone. He is always with us till the end of time. And the body and blood of Christ are given for us. This means that Jesus is there and will be there till there is no more time in the world.



And what is really happening in communion is that when we receive worthily the body and blood of Christ, **we are what we receive**. We are transformed into Christ. Jesus Christ lives in us and us in Him. This is what the Eucharist is all about; us sharing in God's own life. In doing so, we are also asking Jesus to make our hearts like His, so that our love may be multiplied to feed the hunger of the world. That is the lesson that we must keep learning at every Eucharist.

*Let us thank God for this mystery and May the Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, which is God's gift to the whole world, continue to feed us and lead us on our way to the New Jerusalem. Amen*

**Holy Cross:** Saturday before 5.30pm Mass

### CONFESSIONS

**St Patrick:** Saturday after 10.00 Mass

 <b>Holy Cross</b>	<i>Mass intentions</i>	 <b>St. Patrick</b> <i>Weekday Mass in Chapel 1a Conway Road</i>
17.30 Anthony & Mona Pinto RIP	Sat. 21 <sup>st</sup> June <b>THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST</b>	St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious 10.00 Nadani Welikala intention & welfare
8.45 Susanna Brown	Sun. 22 <sup>nd</sup> June <b>THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)</b>	10.15 First Holy Communion children & families 18.00 People of the Parish
10.00 Gladys & Tom Power RIP	Mon. 23 <sup>rd</sup> June <b>FERIA</b>	9.00 Henrietta Nwoko RIP
<b>NO MASS</b>	Tues. 24 <sup>th</sup> June <b>The Nativity of St John the Baptist</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
10.00 Welfare of Mary O'Riordan	Wed. 25 <sup>th</sup> June <b>FERIA</b>	9.00 Eric Horne RIP
10.00 Michael O'Dwyer RIP	Thur. 26 <sup>th</sup> June <b>FERIA</b>	9.00 Mary White RIP & deceased relatives
10.00 Pat Bhotia	Fri. 27 <sup>th</sup> June <b>THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS</b>	9.00 Souls in Purgatory
17.30 Mike O'Dwyer RIP	Sat. 28 <sup>th</sup> June <b>Ss PETER and PAUL, Apostles</b>	<b>The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> 10.00 Rev Thomas Whelahan RIP
8.45 Welfare & recovery of Alice Downey	Sun. 29 <sup>th</sup> June <b>Ss PETER and PAUL, Apostles</b>	10.15 Pauline's family through the intercession of St Anthony of Padua 18.00 People of the Parish

**Holy Father's Prayer Intention for June:** That the world might grow in compassion - Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

**PLEASE DO NOT HAND OUT LEAFLETS OR DISPLAY POSTERS or NOTICES IN CHURCH WITHOUT PERMISSION FROM FR FORTUNATUS – THANK YOU**

Offertory 15th June £925.95

Day for Life £287.60 *Thank you*

**22<sup>nd</sup> June – Parish Mass Books Appeal**

**29<sup>th</sup> June – Peter's Pence** *this collection helps the Holy Father exercise works of mercy and charity in service of the Universal Church, enabling concrete aid to bishops and dioceses in need worldwide, and include humanitarian and social projects and education.*

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** *St Patrick* **children under 10 years**

**22<sup>nd</sup> June – Parish Youth Mass & First Holy Communion**

**29<sup>th</sup> June – Louise; Carlien, Lisa & Ebinehitas**

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn for Agnelo Caldeira at Holy Cross and at St Patrick.



**RCIA** *for adults wanting to know more about the Catholic faith or be received into the Catholic Church - every Friday at Holy Cross Church at 8pm. Contact: Liz 0208 855 2013*

*Please support the*  
**PARISH YOUTH GROUP - FUNDRAISING EVENT**  
**Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> June after the 10.15 Mass**  
*All proceeds to the Parish Mass Book Appeal*

**Brownies** (girls aged 7 -10) and **Guides** (10 – 14) meet on Mondays 6 to 7.30 pm. **Contacts:** **Natasha** – 07941967414  
**Tatayana** – 07921500555 for more information on joining.

Offertory contributions can be made in loose cash, by cheque payable to 'RCAS PLUMSTEAD', by card using the contactless machine at the back of church, or by standing order/one-off online payment to:

**NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK**

Account Number: **79136796** Sort Code: **60-50-01**

Account Name: **RCAS – PLUMSTEAD**

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO GIFT AID YOUR OFFERINGS IF YOU ARE A TAX-PAYER** – *this helps us to claim an extra 25p for every £1 donated*  
**THANK YOU**  
*for your continued and generous support of our parish*

**THANK YOU** to everyone who has already made a contribution towards the **Parish Mass Books Appeal**. If you have pledged a contribution, you can make this in cash, by cheque (payable to RCAS PLUMSTEAD) or online, using the bank details above and the reference 'MASS BOOKS'. If you are a Gift Aid member, don't forget to quote your GA number. **The new books start from this Sunday**

**Greenwich Foodbank**

*tinned and packet foods, toiletries, nappies, can be left at the back of church and are gratefully appreciated*  
**NO FRESH FOOD PLEASE** **THANK YOU**

**ST PATRICK FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025**

**22<sup>nd</sup> June & 6<sup>th</sup> July at 10.15**

**Parish First Holy Communion**

*Please pray for the children and their families*

**READERS**

*St Patrick*

**22<sup>nd</sup> June: 10.15** Youth Mass **18.00** L Kale  
**29<sup>th</sup> June: 10.15** O Torrens/E Sakole **18.00** B Davern

*Holy Cross*

**21<sup>st</sup> June: 17.30** Mike **22<sup>nd</sup> June: 8.45** Andreia  
**28<sup>th</sup> June: 17.30** Divine **28<sup>th</sup> June: 8.45** Sheila

**Dates for your diary**

**Sun. 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 10.15** in St Patrick's Church – Parish First Holy Communion

**Sat. 28<sup>th</sup> June at 2pm** in St Patrick's Church – Parish Confirmation

**Fri. 4<sup>th</sup> July 3.20 – 5pm** - Parish Summer Fayre in St Patrick's School

**Sun. 6<sup>th</sup> July at 10.15** in St Patrick's Church – Parish First Holy Communion

**7<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm** Jubilee Pilgrimage Mass in Canterbury Cathedral [info@canterburyjubilee2025.com](mailto:info@canterburyjubilee2025.com)

**Sat. 12<sup>th</sup> July** – Parish First Holy Communion at Holy Cross

**25<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> July** – 'WeBelieve' Festival, Oscott

**23<sup>rd</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> September** – **Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje**  
*spaces still available – see details at back of church*



**COME ONE, COME ALL**

**Parish Summer Fayre**

**Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> July 3.20 to 5pm**



*Donations of wines, spirits and soft drinks for the tombola would be gratefully received and can be left at the back of church or in Chapel*

**Please pray for those who are unwell:** Yolanda Perera, Bridie Maguire, Loretta, Sophie & Pablo Picola, Norma Barrett, Hana Gjelaj, Bob Kapp, Philomena Flaherty, Jo O'Connell, Dave Kent, Mary Mulholland, Maura Nagle, Chris Britto, Eileen McPadden, Nuala McGovern, Vanessa Maloney, Aurora Miranda, Charles, Sarah, Sven & Lloyd, Jimmy Gjelaj, Pressie Fernandez, Betty O'Donoghue, Louise Perera, Pat Cullen, Marianne Ali, Trevor Brown, John McPartlin, Sarah Young & family, Irene D'Souza, Alex Pollock, Kevin Murphy, Susannah Brown, John Colacco, Henry Agbadamusi, Dave Orrel, Stephen Brown, Erin Johnston, Maureen Cunney, Eddie White, **for those who have died and those whose anniversaries occur at this time** Henry Skuddy, Eileen Robinson, Annie Jamieson, Rose Ibeme, Jane O'Dowd

**Please note – notices for the Parish Newsletter, with prior permission of Fr Fortunatus, should be sent to the Parish Office by **Wednesday at 12 noon** (by email, 'phone or printed copy). We will do our best to include items, but cannot always guarantee this. Thank you for your co-operation and understanding.**