

Sunday Mass will be live streamed from OLR at 9.15am.

Those without Internet access are invited to unite themselves spiritually with Our Lord at the time, and with all those participating online, who will be remembering you in their prayers. Praying the Sunday readings is also highly recommended.

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (Corpus Christi)
Readings: 1: Deuteronomy 8:2-3.14-16 [Ps. 147:12-15.19-20] 2: 1 Cor. 10:16-17. John 6:51-58

Sunday 14 June	9:15 2-7pm	People of the Parish (Live Streamed online) Exposition and Devotions to the Blessed Sacrament, ending with Benediction (Live streamed online)
	Dusk	Denis Kenward RIP (Bennell)
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Monday 15	Dawn Dusk	Mary O'Rourke (McCormick) Paddy (David/Lloyd)
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Tuesday 16	Dawn Dusk	Deceased Relatives & Friends (Kennedy) Cameron Dudley (E. Dudley)
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Wednesday 17	Dawn Dusk	John Byrne RIP (M. Byrne) Ian Walker RIP (Stogdon)
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Thursday 18	Dawn Dusk	Sr Margaret O'Shea RIP (A&B Spirituality Network) Timothy Thom (Morgan)

THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Friday 19	Dawn Dusk	Mary Shulte RIP Susan Ann Neville Jensen (Neve)
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Saturday 20	Dawn Dusk	Ann Smiley RIP (Duggan Family) Desmond Rayner RIP (Sheppard)

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 21
Readings: 1: Jeremiah 20.10-13 [Ps.68:8-10.14.17.33-35] 2: Romans 5:12-15

9:15	People of the Parish (Live Streamed online)
Dusk	Shirley Barrell RIP (Purcell)

For those who have internet Universalis.com gives the readings for every day

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
June 13th/14th 2020

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If you want to know what it is that a particular Feast of the Church is celebrating, the best starting point is often the Preface, coming before the 'Holy, Holy'. This Sunday's Preface takes us to the Last Supper and tells us that during that charged evening, Christ "established for the ages to come the saving memorial of the Cross". Coming at the time of Passover, and foreseeing his passion the next day, he was presenting himself as the Paschal lamb. The lamb symbolized the place of sacrifice in our lives. We recognize this particularly from our experience over the last 3 months: in different ways people are making sacrifices that enable others to live. Some do it by their profession, ensuring the comfort and safety of others; parents make sacrifices for the children; and often later in life, children do the same for their parents. It has been said that the 'law of the jungle' is, "eat or be eaten"; the law of Christianity is, "eat and be eaten". Above all, Christ makes a sacrifice of his own will, to that of his Father, for the salvation of the world. As he makes his way to Calvary on Good Friday, it is as if he sees through the ill-treatment being vented on him by bystanders and soldiers. He is aware that those people themselves might have been on the receiving end of cruelty, and in that way the cycle of violence goes around endlessly. The only way to stop that cycle is in Himself. But there is a vision of hope that animates this ordeal, as the Preface goes on to say: "nourishing your faithful by this sacred mystery, you make them holy, so that the human race, bounded by one world, may be enlightened by one faith and united by one bond of charity". That promise, of the Kingdom of God, was the inspiration of Christ's entire ministry on earth. At this time of year, when we usually celebrate First Communions, it is as if the children receiving the sacrament for the first time, join the Apostles at that Last Supper. They share that call which goes out to all the followers of Christ: to know they can break the cycle of sin and violence in our world - by the grace of God.

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any input you feel is of interest to
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From our Seminarian, Nicholas Harden.....

A huge thank you for all your kindness, support, and friendship I have received this year. I will miss you. Over the year, I have been very fortunate to have had a wide range of different pastoral experiences, all opportunities for personal growth, and these have only reinforced my determination and resolve to, 'God willing', be Ordained in the future. It is a year that has had its challenges, but also great joys, including times of experiencing an overpowering sense of being touched by God's grace. Not being able to say goodbye in person is incredibly sad, but I hope to return post-lockdown and will continue to keep you all in my thoughts and prayers. Please continue to keep me in your prayers for my continued journey of discernment and formation.

Nicholas Harden our Seminarian on Placement this Year.

Nicholas came to us for a 'get-to-know-you' weekend this time last year, and started full-time in September. This weekend he brings to an end his placement with us. The purpose was to experience the whole range of parish life: all the different roles that are carried out at Sunday Mass; the sacramental programmes; pastoral and social visits at home and in hospital; the schools; living in a busy presbytery and above the Parish Office, and the many different groups that meet in the evenings. There was a particular focus, too, on those areas he might not have encountered before: in our case for example, Eastbourne Hospital and Lewes Prison. He led the Ash Wednesday service in the hospital. He preached at the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, and then preached at several Masses on a weekend in Lent, and again on Good Shepherd Sunday in Eastertide, when the emphasis was on prayer for vocations. One situation that was not new to him was in school, as a teacher of chemistry at secondary level. But again, now he was wearing a different 'hat', going into St. Thomas a Becket Primary School to engage with the pupils as a seminarian preparing for priestly ministry. The skills that teachers have, of presenting a subject, were also displayed for other groups such as the RCIA (Catholic Enquirers) group. And then came the lockdown, and a challenge of a different kind.

As we explored how to use the telephone and postal service to try to carry on the Church's pastoral work, Nick produced material for the website taking us through the Easter mysteries; and then wrote for the Magazine we produced at Pentecost about the Sequence we hear at Mass on that day. He shared the way the priests were trying to keep contact with people, especially the sick, by telephone. The Corona crisis deprived him of one thing he has really valued this year, simply spending time with fellow-parishioners and getting to know them. When one is in Seminary it can feel like being in the desert, being focussed on studies but not having real people to engage with. We have to thank Nick for the way he dealt with this unplanned diversion to his placement, and threw himself instead into the live-streamed Masses, getting out the newsletter to those who don't have the Internet, and taking on the roles of server, sacristan, choir, reader (and quite a few more including more than his fair share of cooking and emptying the dishwasher!). All this time of course he had his regular assignments and Zoom conferences from the Seminary to fulfill. In one sense this extraordinary period may be an important part of Nick's preparation for ministry. We know that life in the future will have been changed by the events this year. We have had to learn different ways to carry out the Church's role and mission. As we pray for you, Nick, in gratitude and hope, we pray also that the deeply attentive and thoughtful way in which you respond to people and situations alike, will be valuable qualities in the years to come.

Fr Raglan

RE-OPENING OF CHURCHES FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Thank you to everyone who has already responded to the Steward request. To enable us to open the churches for private prayer we still need more volunteers. We regret we are not, at present, allowed to accept those who are over 70 and/or with health conditions or a vulnerable member of the family at home.

Jenny Rigamonti, Ann Smiley's sister, would like to thank everyone who have sent cards and condolences.

RIP: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Nora Hurden, Lucie Dolores Duca, Michael Harnetty, John Scrowston, Harry Whitehouse, Julie Poulain, and Mary Josephine Gibbons, Our sympathy and prayers are with their families.

**FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN
TAKEN ILL AND ASK FOR OUR
PRAYERS:** Sybil Glenister, Miles Tracey, Bob Cadwallender, Agnes Phipps, Martin Forte-Hyland, Madeleine O'Brien, Laurence Evans, Carmen Pumar, Sheila Brown, Pauline Bosley, Abina Boniface, Gilbert da Silva, Marie Potts, Pat Higgins, Joan Garbet, Rosanna da Sousa, Trish Ryan, and all our parishioners who are suffering at this time, and their carers.

MASS will continued to be streamed live every Sunday at 9.15M. Click on <https://www.youtube.com/channel/CyByhHVfGdKdPZlr.H5bZw> (or a simple button on our website ourladyofransom.org.uk) to watch live at Mass times or at any time to watch previous Masses.