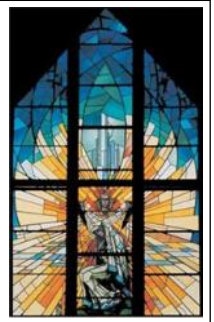




Our Lady of the Annunciation



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26th May The Most Holy Trinity Sunday (page 83 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR B

WHAT A MYSTERY WE ARE PRESENTED WITH TODAY!

The Holy Trinity is a union of Three Persons, yet still One God. The human mind is too short to understand this. We can only try to find an analogy or give some limited description which in no way explains the depth of who God is as Trinity.

One analogy seems to help. It is an analogy of knowing and loving.

When we see something or someone, we notice something there which starts to draw us to it. The more we know, the more we desire closeness with it. This knowing brings attachment, and through attachment we become united with someone or something. Sometimes we may feel one with it or we could say - 'I cannot live without it because we love it so deeply.

Now, God is One! God is perfect! God is omniscient so He sees and knows Himself perfectly! What He sees and knows is perfect as He is. What He sees is the Image of Himself - Jesus is the Image of the invisible God (Col 1.15). Because He sees and knows Himself perfectly, He loves what He sees perfectly with no lack. This Love is perfect as He Himself is and it is perfect as The Image He sees and knows. The Holy Spirit is that love between the Father and the Son. Therefore, we have Three: The Father, The Image - The Son and The Love - The Holy Spirit. They are Three, but One.

And as God is a Union of three Persons we are called into union with Him and within ourselves since we are created in the image and likeness of God (Gen 1.27).

I hope that makes sense and that I did not make it even more vague!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

fr Tomasz

Mass Intentions This Week

25 May: Saturday

SAINT BEDE THE VENERABLE

10:00 Eileen Carlin RIP

18:00 Deceased Members of the Sweeney and Heskin Families RIP

26 May: MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

08:30 All Parishioners

10:00 John O'Donovan RIP

11:30 Seamus & Michael Flynn RIP +

27 May: Monday

SAINT AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY

10:00 Wellbeing of Pat O'Sullivan

28 May: Tuesday

10:00 Michael Ransley RIP

29 May: Wednesday

10:00 Patrick Larkin (Snr) RIP

30 May: Thursday

10:00 Sister Helen Hartnet RIP

19:00 Rosary Procession

19:30 Colin Tiernan RIP

31 May: Friday THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

10:00 Danny Kelleher RIP

1 June: Saturday SAINT JUSTIN

10:00 Dec. Mems. Of the O'Donnell & Sweeney Families RIP

18:00 All Parishioners

2 June: CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY

08:30 Ronald Rakusen RIP

10:00 UCM: All Young People Taking Exams

11:30 Joe Dolan RIP

+ With Baptism

MEETINGS

SVP: Tuesday 28th at 8pm (PRC)

Adult Catechesis: Wed 29th at 11.15am (Large Hall) & 7.45pm (Small Hall)

Young Adults' Fellowship: Friday 31st at 7pm (PRC)



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays: 10.30am - 12pm

In The Sacred Heart Chapel

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Gift Aid Envelopes £ 1027.65

Loose cash £ 825.00

S/Os (Approx) £ 1290.00

Total £ 3142.65

*** DEFIBRILLATOR ***

A defibrillator is located on the right hand side of the porch as you enter the church.

COLLECTIONS

This week there is an ACC collection for *Maryhill Secondary Girls' School, Uganda.*

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Elizabeth Damsel, Lauren Horwood, Elizabeth Casey, Brian Kearney, Mary Ariaratnam, Christina Cahill, Marie Griffin, Ernie & Mary, Arthur Hughes, Peggy Wall & all others

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: Cyril Kelly, Nancy Smith, Hilda Mills, Graham Bull, Antoni Znidericz, Joseph Doyle, Carol Byrne, Kenneth Cox, Gladys Morais, Francesco Napolitano, Bill Naldrett, Mary Walter, Audrey Moynihan, Icilda Baker, John Conlan, Bernadette Potter, Michael Griffin, Lily Fowley, Patricia McDonnell, Thomas O'Dwyer, Ann Byrne, Lesley Murphy, Dolores Wells, Emma Shawsmith, Iris Connolly

SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

A message from Ben Cahill - Chair of the Social Club

Sunday evening entertainment commencing at 8.00pm

26th May: Frank Nelson

2nd June: Theresa Rodgers

9th June: TR Dallas

16th June: Shane & Mervyn Owens

23rd June: Kieran White

30th June: Ally Harron & Marian Curry

7th July: Pat Jordan

14th July: Glen Flynn

- The recent **Strictly Come Dancing Evening** was very successful with Contestants displaying their skills in a range of Dances. Photographs & a video will be included in the next publication of the **Social Club Newsletter** on 2nd June.

- **Shawn Cuddy & Curtis Magee** will be appearing at the Social Club on Friday, 19th July from 7:30pm. All proceeds from this event will be given to the **Brain Tumour Charity**. Tickets at £10.00 each can be reserved by calling **Ben Cahill on 07958 903410**. You can also support the event by donating an item for the Raffle/ Auction.

AUTUMN FAYRE 2024 PLANNING MEETING

The first planning meeting for the Fayre will take place on **Wednesday, 19th June at 8pm in the Sacristy**. All members of the Parish Community are invited to attend.

NEW ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

The parents meeting for new Altar Servers will be on **Wednesday 5th June at 6:30pm in the Church**. Please attend if your child has received their First Holy Communion and wants to become an Altar Server.

CATECHESIS FOR ADULTS

Topic for this week: Marian Dogmas

Excerpts of documents, spoken about by Fr Tomasz during this catechesis, are now available to read on our website, under the **Adult Catechesis** tab.

THE DIVINE MERCY APOSTOLATE, LONDON: Is holding a First Saturday Divine Mercy Recollection Day at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, on **Saturday 1st June** from 11am to 4:30pm. All are welcome.

Please call Millie on **07957 594646** for more information.

Coaches from Ealing Broadway and Victoria

HOPE HEALTH ACTION CHARITY APPEAL

HHA is a local charity based in Coney Hall, for which I, Sarah Nash (parishioner), volunteer.

We will be holding a quiz night in our church hall on Friday 31st May, all are welcome! Do come for an evening of fun and quizzing.

Contact carol@hopehealthaction.org to book a place.

See poster in the porch or the newsletter online for full information

CONSIDER YOUR LEGACY

It is a known fact that as we get older some of us are eager to establish something that we will be remembered by. That something could be our Legacy. **So join us on Thursday 30th May at 1pm in the large hall to discuss and be enlightened.** Light refreshments will be provided. An informative time awaits you, so see you and your friends there hopefully. Warmest regards! Sylvia

SHIRLEY CHRISTIAN AID COFFEE MORNING: All are invited to this year's Churches Together Christian Aid Coffee Morning which will be held at **79 Shirley Way on Friday July 5th from 10.30am to 12.30pm.**

Donations of Raffle Prizes, items for the Bring and Buy table and offers of help, to **Liz** on **8777 4840** or at lizbeb@gmail.com.

For Collection: K Duignan

Baptism certificates: COLLECT FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

Rotas: Eucharistic Ministers (June) Readers (May/June)

COMMEMORATIVE SOUVENIR 2025 CALENDAR - LAST CHANCE!

We are nearing the deadline for photographs to be submitted for inclusion in next year's commemorative calendar. Firstly, a very big thank you for all we have received so far. We know there are more out there in albums & attics.

We are looking for more, especially from groups which were active in the past and some that are active now including: YOUTH CLUBS - past & present, SVP - social activities, UNITY CLUB - we have some but looking for, for example, EASTER BONNET & CHRISTMAS parties. WORLD PRAYER DAYS, ORDINATIONS - we know that there have been a few in the past and not so far in the past!! (FR. KEITH), RCIA - celebrations and services. ASCENT GROUP - have you any photos of talks and/or events? THE CANA GROUP, THE YOUNG WIVES, UCM and the SERVERS - activities & trips. Plus BAPTISMS, FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS & CONFIRMATIONS!

There are many other activities that been held in the 100 years of the Parish so we welcome as many examples as you can tell us about. Please include a couple of sentences about the event and the photograph.

ALL GROUPS: please can you let us have a few sentences detailing when the group was formed, some information about the group and if it is closed, the date when this occurred.

Photos & information to addiscomberchurch@gmail.com if possible or drop hard copies into the office for attention of THE CALENDAR GIRLS by **31st May**.

Thank you! The Calendar Girls

OUR BIG LUNCH

Representatives from Our Lady's Diversity Support Group and Wellbeing You are very much looking forward to welcoming you to our collaborative **Greenest Big Lunch yet on Sunday 2nd June starting from 1pm in the large hall.**

You can join us for the celebratory Mass at 11.30am if you so wish.

Please call Agnes on 07904 426545 or Sylvia on 07375824615 for any last minute clarification. **See you then to have fun!**

LAST CHANCE: CATHEDRAL MASS CELEBRATING MARRIAGE

If you are celebrating your 1st/10th/25th/40th/50th/60th or any later wedding anniversary this year, you are invited to renew your marriage vows at a Mass to be celebrated at St George's Cathedral, Southwark, at **3pm on July 13th**. Close family members can attend with you. *In order to receive a personal invitation from Archbishop John, email mflsw@rcaos.org.uk giving the following details: your full names, address, phone number, anniversary being celebrated and parish.* The deadline for applying is May 31st.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORIE: Please see the poster in the porch regarding the pilgrimage in September to Medjugorie with Fr Tomasz. For more information, and to book please contact Malcolm Fernando - mjfernando@gmail.com.

1st ADDISCOMBE GUIDES: Are in need of the help and support of some volunteers to keep the group running. Sessions run on a Wednesday night 6 - 7.30pm (term time only) in the large hall. If you can spare a couple of hours a week to keep this unit running please **contact Louise at 1staddiscombeguides@gmail.com**.

COMMUNION WEAR: The St Thomas Becket School Association (STBSA) are seeking donations of gently used communion outfits from our church community. Your contributions will not only provide beautiful attire for upcoming celebrations but will also support our school's fundraising endeavours.

Reach out to us at stbsateam@gmail.com or text **07950 381029** if you can help. Your donations will help us make a meaningful impact! **Thank you!**

Hope Health Action Charity Appeal

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We will be holding a quiz night in our church hall on Friday 31st May, all are welcome. Do come for an evening of fun and quizzing.

Contact carol@hopehealthaction.org to book a place.

This May, Hope Health Action are running one of their biggest ever fundraising campaigns, with the aim of raising £60,000 for their disability projects in Haiti, Uganda and South Sudan.

To find out more about the charity or to donate throughout May visit hopehealthaction.org.

Thank you!



QUIZ

**JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF QUIZZING, FOOD
AND FUN-DRAISING FOR OUR PROJECTS!**

**FRIDAY 31ST MAY
7PM - 10PM**

OUR LADY OF ANNUNCIATION
CHURCH HALL, 147 BINGHAM RD
CR0 7EN

BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS AND SNACKS

ENTERTAINMENT WILL INCLUDE QUIZ (MAXIMUM 10 PEOPLE PER
TEAM), RAFFLE AND POUND GAME

**BOOK YOUR TEAM'S PLACE BY EMAILING
CAROL@HOPEHEALTHACTION.ORG**

