

# **HOLY FAMILY PARISH**



## **NEWSLETTER**

**MAIDENHEAD & TWYFORD** 

#### **CORPUS CHRISTI**

Today's celebration reminds us of the priceless gift Jesus generously offered to his Church – his very own body and blood. St Maximilian Kolbe captured the magnificence of this gift: "If angels could be jealous of men, they would be so for one reason: Holy Communion".

- As sacrifice, Jesus offers his very own life as ransom for our sins. By this generous act of self-offering, Jesus presents himself as the eternal high priest, foreshadowed by the Priest Melchisedek
- Each time Holy Mass is celebrated, Jesus' body and blood are offered up in thanksgiving to God for remission our sins and as nourishment for our souls: whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life. Jesus continues to sacrifice himself even today for our reconciliation with God and one another.
- Jesus seeks to satisfy our most profound hunger our spiritual hunger. His heart is moved with pity when we are weak and desolate
- At the last supper, he commanded his apostles to continue feeding his followers with his body and blood - "do this in remembrance of me" Jesus is aware that the Christian journey is not an easy endeavour. He knows we need spiritual strength, comfort and healing. He provides these and more when we worthily receive him in the Holy Eucharist. Let us always

approach the Holy Eucharist with due reverence, for in it, we meet Jesus himself. "In the most blessed sacrament of the Eucharist, the body and blood, together with the soul and divinity, of our Lord Jesus Christ and, therefore, the whole Christ is truly, really, and substantially contained"

Jun 2025: Mass Times & Mass Intentions			
Sat	21st	10:00	Rose Beldam & Family, SI
		18:30	Coleman Family, FM
Sun	22nd	08:00	Edmund Coleman, FM
		09:15	James Peebles, RIP
		11:00	Iris Fonseca, A
			Joseph Kennedy, A
			Sean Alfonso Torres De Mesa, A
			Deceased family of Maria Sanjuro
		15:00	Filipino Mass: Ang Kapistahan ng Banal na Katawan at Dugo ni Kristo
		17:00	Mass of the Parish of Holy Family
Mon	23rd	10:00	No Mass. Mother's Prayers in Church
Tue	24th	10:00	Danny Bond, A
Wed	25th	10:00	Dorothy Pires, SI
Thu	26th	10:00	Walter M Crawford, SI
Fri	27th	10:00	Dominic Manuel, A
Sat	28th	10:00	Edmund Coleman, FM
		13:00	♥ 🚨 Wedding: Maria & Marc 🚨 ♥

A: Death Anniversary; FM: Foundation Mass; RIP: Rest in Peace, SI: Special Intentions

St Joseph's & St Elizabeth's edition

### Issue #3 The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ 21/22nd June 2025

1st: Gen 14:18-20 He offered bread & Wine

R. Ps 110 R/ You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek

**2<sup>nd</sup>: 1 Cor 11:23-26** Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming the Lord's death.

Acclamation: Alleluia! Alleluia! I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live for ever. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 9:11-17 All ate and were satisfied.



St Mary's Catholic Pre School are looking for a dedicated, enthusiastic and passionate Level 3 Early Year's Practitioner to join our nurturing team.

3 days per week - Tues, Thurs & Fri. More info: 01628627013 or email preschool@stmaryspreschoolmaiden head.co.uk

#### Works of Mercy: Visit the Sick

As we approach 'Half-Way' through our Jubilee Year of Mercy we thank God for Pope Leo who is continuing the works of Pope Francis. With Mercy and Compassion, on Our Spiritual Journey, we must reach out to the Sick members of Our Holy Family Parish and local Community. Please Pray for and support our Sick, Lonely and Depressed brothers and sisters and encourage all those who care for them. Put 'pen to paper' and donate what you can to change lives.

Heavenly Father, we lift up those who are suffering in Body, Spirit or Mind. Give us the courage to visit the sick and share Your healing Love with them. May they feel your comfort and Peace. Amen.

#### IN THE CHURCH/PARISH

- **Sun 5pm Masses** will continue until the end of the year. Please do let the office know if you would like to sign up for music or as a reader/ sacristan/ eucharistic minister!
- 29 Jun 12pm-3pm St Edmund Parish & School Summer Fun Day
- The Children's Liturgy at 11am Mass
- 29 Jun CHILDREN'S LITURGY MEETING There will be a very short meeting immediately after the 11 a.m. mass in St. Elizabeth's room to meet new helpers and outline the plans for next term. If you would like to join the Team or have suggestions, you are very welcome at the meeting we need your support and your prayers. For more information, please contact Tricia 01628 627265 or email triciaweeksmail@gmail.com
- 5 Aug Baptism Course For parents whose child is being baptised in M'head. Contact Fr Ephraim/ Norma/ office (no course in July)
   Baptism request form: https://forms.office.com/e/D1UavwBggk

#### **REGULAR EVENTS**

- Saturdays 9-10am Eucharistic Adoration in SJ Confessions after 10am Mass / before 6.30pm Mass
- 2nd Sundays 2.30-5pm Loss & Bereavement Group SEC
- 3.00pm Filipino Mass Note date change to 22 June
- Mondays: 7.30-9pm Badminton in SJ Hall. Just turn up!
- Wednesdays: 9-10am Eucharistic Adoration in SJ 5-6pm Taiji in SJ Hall.
- Thursdays: Zoom <a href="https://www.tinyurl.com/2hz5axvp">www.tinyurl.com/2hz5axvp</a> 2pm Rosary & 6pm Journey together through Holy scriptures
- Thursdays 7pm Yoga with Una in SJ Hall
- Fridays 8.45-10:45am Baby & Toddler Group SEC (term time)

#### **OTHER COURSES / EVENTS**

- **Getting Married?** See www.marriagecare.org.uk or call 0800 389 3801, Mon Thurs 9am 6pm
- 21 Jun 9am-9.30pm Catholic Miracle Rally Friends Meeting House London NW1 2BJ. £10/ person. See <a href="https://www.coretlumenchristi.org">www.coretlumenchristi.org</a>
- 21 Jun 10am-4pm Evangelisation Day Winchester SO23 8RY (St Peter's Church). Practical teaching on ways to witness and share our faith with others and be equipped for the task of evangelisation. Consider public transport or Park & Ride as parking is restricted. Please bring packed lunch. Hot drinks provided. There is a 9am Mass before the event. Sign up: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/4ub8s7u6">https://tinyurl.com/4ub8s7u6</a>
- 2 Aug 8:00pm Charity Concert by The Next Generation Christian
   Foundation Our Lady of Peace & Blessed Dominic Barberi RG6
   7DA church hall. The charity has provided some 52 scholarships for
   orphaned or very poor children in Nigeria some have now
   completed their university education. Tickets at £10, children under
   16 free. Email info@ngcf.co.uk for tickets

#### **COLLECTIONS LAST WEEK \***

Gift Aid: £243.00 Non-GA: £621.72

Day for life Gift Aid: £25.00 Non-GA: £235.84

Thank you for Gift-Aiding – HMRC contributed £60.75!

Also - Shop & Donate:

www.giveasyoulive.com/charity/st-josephs-church-maidenhead \*Loose plate + Dona/Sumup

#### PILGRIMAGES/ WALKS

#### 7 - 11 Jul Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage:

More info & form: <u>Portsmouth-Diocesan-booking-form-2025-FINAL.pdf</u>

**22-29** Aug Catholic Association Pilgrimage to Lourdes Join as an assisted pilgrim or as a helper (new / experienced). All are welcome. More info, call: 01732886 666 /email:

<u>frances@catholicassociation.co.uk</u> <u>www.catholicassociation.co.uk/join</u> to sign up

#### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A massive thank you to Fr Ephraim, Fr Liam, Fr Kevin and to everyone for your contribution in raising funds for my mission year; I am overwhelmed by your response. In addition to the Holy Family collections, the Bingo Fundraiser last Saturday raised £740. I am incredibly grateful for all your prayers and support. Stephanie Moraes.

**St Bernard School Slough** is celebrating the 150th anniversary of the school chapel being built and they are raising funds for its improvement. Donations welcome: <a href="https://www.st-bernards.slough.sch.uk/2537/donations-to-the-school-chapel">www.st-bernards.slough.sch.uk/2537/donations-to-the-school-chapel</a>

Marie Oke formerly of this parish and Deputy Headteacher of St Mary's Catholic Primary School died on 17th June aged 56 years. Details of her funeral which will be held here at St Joseph's will be announced in due course. May she rest in peace.

Alzheimer's & Dementia Support Singing group welcome helpers on Wed 11.30-3.00pm (in our Hall). Please contact 077063 24372 Rachel for more info/ to apply.



We'll be opening signup on 25 Jun 2025 at https://stjosephsparish.co.uk/
(closing date 29 Sept 2025)
Please be reminded that your child must be at least in Year 4 in May 2026

For your diary:

Briefing: Sat 4 Oct 5.30pm in SJ Church (Attendance is compulsory. We will give you the other key dates at the briefing)
FHC 2026 is on Sat 16 May (time TBD)