

## PARISH PICNIC - further details

As announced at Masses last weekend, we shall once again, after an absence of many years, host a Parish Picnic on Sunday, 12th June in the area of Mount Street Gardens behind the church. This is a casual and relaxed occasion to bring together the entire parish -- families, people on their own, children, everyone -- which will begin after the 9.30 Mass and continue into the afternoon. Please bring a cold dish (salad, main course or dessert) to share with others and please feel free to spend as little or as much time as you like. Cold soft drinks and, pending approval by Westminster City Council, Pimm's Cups (18+) will be available for purchase. We are also planning some musical entertainment during the afternoon and, for the children, a tombola and glitter tattoos. If you would like to volunteer to help for some or all of the day, please contact Debbie Martin (coco193@hotmail.co.uk), who will coordinate volunteers and assign tasks on the day.

### Parish Prayer List

We pray for those in the parish who are sick: Debra Minty Baker, Carmine di Cesare, Marie Carroll Copestake, Chrissie Harkink-Mobbs, Erin Lillis, and Alan Stewart.  
*The LORD sustains him on his sickbed; in his illness you restore him to full health.*  
*Psalm 41:3*

### The London Eucharistic Octave

11<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> June 2022  
*Corpus Christi Shrine, 1 Maiden Lane, Covent Garden, WC2E 7NB*  
**Opening Mass, Saturday 11<sup>th</sup>, 6pm**  
Sung Mass in the Roman Rite (English)  
**Monday 13<sup>th</sup>, 6.30pm**  
Mass in the Dominican Rite  
**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>, 6.30pm**  
Holy Qurbana (Syro-Malabar Rite)  
**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>, 6.30pm**  
Ukrainian Catholic Divine Liturgy of St John Chrysostom  
**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>, 6.30pm**  
Mass in the Roman Rite (Latin)  
**Friday 17<sup>th</sup>, 6.30pm**  
Mass in the Ordinarate Use of the Roman Rite  
  
**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>, 7am – Midnight**  
Quarant'Ore Devotions,  
maidenlane.org.uk/forty

## Conversation in Colour; A Mother - Daughter Exhibition by Margaret Campbell (1936 - 2017) and Fiona Campbell Hicks (1973 -) of poems and images

In a thread running from the 1950s to present day, Margaret Campbell and her daughter work(ed) in seeking to create a joyous private imagery that was at its high point a conversation around the beauty of God through art. Caught up in the Troubles in Northern Ireland in the 1970s, the family, a Catholic - Protestant mixed faith family, left for the safety of England. Both Margaret and her daughter were traumatised by the violence. Aged 3 at the time, Fiona Campbell Hicks was unable to create any art until she reached her twenties. Art became part of their healing through colour and nature. The show is an exploration of their journey from conflict to recovery, and hopes to be an evocation of the infinite beauty, colour and delight of God, as well as examining the mother daughter relationship. The exhibition features egg tempera icons, water colours, pastels, calligraphy, poetry and photographic prints on glass.

The exhibition explores the close and at times co-dependent relationship between parent and child, and between artists. Both address(ed) themes of catholic spirituality and a love of nature. Encompassing ideas of ecumenism, recovery and relationship, the exhibition creates a colourful world with a bestiary of watercolours, icons of Christ and the saints, as well as poetry and large scale photographic prints of lakes.

On display in the Ground-Floor Corridor at 114 Mount Street from Thursday 19 May to Tuesday 7 June.

### The Pope's Monthly Prayer Intention

In the month of May, we pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

### Catholic Listeners

Catholic Listeners a new service based at Farm Street. The helpline operates a confidential, listening service with a wealth of experience at compassionate listening especially to those who may be interested in reconnecting with their faith. Operating three days a week from 4pm to 7pm, on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays, calls are free to the Helpline on 0800 448 0704  
Email Ade on [catholiclisteners@gmail.com](mailto:catholiclisteners@gmail.com).

# NEWSLETTER

JESUIT CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION FARM STREET



## Seventh Sunday of Easter 28<sup>th</sup> May 2022

### PARISH CLERGY

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Fr Nicholas King SJ; Fr Michael Holman SJ

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### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday: 8am, 1.05pm, & 6pm  
Saturday: 8am & 6pm  
Sunday: 8am, 9.30am (Family), 11am (Latin),  
12.30pm, 5.30pm, & 7pm (Young Adult, 18-35)

All Masses can be viewed on our livestreaming page <https://www.farmstreet.org.uk/livestream>

### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday to Friday: 12 noon to 1pm

### CONFESSIONS

Monday to Friday: 12 noon - 1pm  
Saturday: 10am to 12 noon; 5.45pm – 5.55pm  
Sunday: Fifteen minutes before every Mass  
Also by appointment

### CHURCH OPENING HOURS

Monday to Saturday: 7.30am - 6.30pm  
Sunday: 7.30am – 7.00pm

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### ENTRY

O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face; hide not your face from me, alleluia.

### RESPONSE

The Lord is king, most high above all earth.

### ACCLAMATION

I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord; I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy.

### COMMUNION

Father, I pray that they may be one as we also are one, alleluia.



## DEEPER INTO THE MYSTERY

Today's gospel reading comes from the very end of the Last Supper discourse that Jesus delivered to his disciples on the night before he died. The discourse is a long one, of course, five chapters in all, and it is important, for it faces the question of how we are to cope with Jesus' absence. We are invited to eavesdrop on his prayer for those who are present at this meal, but also for another group, namely "those who through their word believe in me". And that is us, of course.

In particular he prays for something that the Church has never really had, namely unity, to reflect the relationship between the Father and the Son, "that they may be in us, and that the world may believe that it was you who sent me". We remember, of course, that "the world" is an ambiguous symbol in this gospel. It normally represents those who are closed to God's project but sometimes it is also those who are the object of God's love. However the main point here is the prayer for unity: "that they may be one as you and I are one, I in them and you in me, that they may be perfected into one". And it all has to do with love: this Last Supper discourse, you may remember, started with several references to love, and then strikingly continued with Jesus acting out love in the washing of the disciples' feet. And now it concludes with several more references to love. So, Jesus continues, "that the world may know that you sent me, and that you love them just as you loved me".

As we come towards the end of the Easter season, it is essential that we grasp this profound continuity between God and Jesus, so that, as he puts it, "they too may be with me, that they may see my glory which you gave me". Next we are given the argument on which it all depends: "because you loved me before the foundation of the world". Then, finally, we reach the last, despairing, plea from Jesus to his Father: "righteous Father, the world did not know you, but I knew you and these people knew that you sent me". We hardly understand what is going on here, but we are travelling now deep into the mystery that is the Jesus who has been sent by his Father.

And as he continues, we try to grasp what he is saying: "I have made known your name to them". And the "name", of course, is that sacred name of God, which we may not pronounce, but

which carries the profound reality of who God is. What Jesus is doing in this Last Supper discourse, is not just telling puzzled and frightened disciples what is happening; he is also reassuring us that we are going to survive the awfulness that lies ahead. Once again, it is all about love: "that the love with which you loved me may be in them and that I may be in them."

So there you have it: the whole thing is a matter of love, and love is right at the heart of the story. What the Father sent Jesus to do is also, and we must not run away from this, right at the heart of what we are supposed to do. What that means in practice is now revealed in the very next events that take place in the story, take us deeper into the mystery.

For the next chapter begins, "having said this, Jesus went out with his disciples to the other side of the Wadi Kedron, where there was a garden which he and his disciples entered". And we know perfectly well what is going to happen here: the mystery gets deeper, Jesus is arrested, and the disciples have no idea how to respond, beyond Simon Peter's absurd gesture with the sword with which he "struck the ear of the High Priest's servant and cut off his right ear lobe".

We need to listen carefully to what is going on here, if we are to perform our task of going "deeper into the mystery".

**Fr Nicholas King SJ**

### Jubilee Bank Holiday

To celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, next weekend is an extended Bank Holiday. The church office will be closed on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June. We will also be operating a Bank Holiday schedule in the church on these two days: The church will open at 11am, confessions will be heard at 12 noon, Mass at 1.05pm, and the church will close at 1.45pm. Normal schedule will resume on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June.

We wish everyone a very happy Jubilee celebration and offer our prayers for Her Majesty on this joyful occasion.

*Domine, salvam fac reginam nostrum Elizabeth, et exaudi nos in die qua invocaverimus te.*

### Liturgical Calendar

**Sun:** Seventh Sunday of Easter  
**Mon:** Easter feria  
**Tue:** Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
**Wed:** St Justin, Martyr  
**Thu:** Easter feria; Ss Marcellinus & Peter, Martyrs  
**Fri:** St Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs (Friday abstinence)  
**Sat:** Easter feria  
**Sun:** Pentecost Sunday

### Daily Bible Readings

**Sun:** Acts 7:55-60; Apocalypse 22:12-20; John 17:20-26  
**Mon:** Acts 19:1-8; John 16:29-33  
**Tue:** Zephaniah 3:14-18; Luke 1:39-56  
**Wed:** Acts 20:28-38; John 17:11-19  
**Thu:** Acts 22:30-23:11; John 17:20-26  
**Fri:** Acts 25:13-21; John 21:15-19  
**Sat:** Acts 28:16-31; John 21:20-25  
**Sun:** Acts 2:1-11; Romans 8:8-17; John 14:15-26

### Prayer for Ukraine

*Heavenly Father, Your will for your people is peace, not war. Pour out on our world, especially Ukraine, your Spirit of compassion and solidarity. Convert the hearts of the aggressor to the way of peace. Be with all those who endure the consequences of war, especially the widow, the orphan, the refugee and the peacemaker. Grant all those who believe in you the strength and desire to be close to those who suffer. Bind us all into the peace of your Kingdom. Through Christ our Lord.*  
Fr Damian Howard SJ,  
Provincial for the Jesuits in Britain

### Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of the Holy Family

Our brothers and sisters at the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral have expressed how much they appreciate the messages of support that they have received during this traumatic time. We have been asked to extend an invitation to all our parishioners to drop in to the Ukrainian Cathedral to pray and show support for the people of Ukraine. Details of opening times can be found on the Ukrainian Eparchy website <https://www.ucc-gb.com/>

### Mass intention

If you would like a Mass to be celebrated for a specific intention, please contact the Parish Secretary at [farmstreetoffice@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:farmstreetoffice@rcdow.org.uk)

### Evensong for Pentecost

Churches Together in Westminster invite you to Choral Evensong for Pentecost. The event will be hosted at 5pm on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June at St. Saviour's, Pimlico, located at St George's Square, SW1V 3QW. The guest preacher will be Fr Andrii Malysh from the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral. For more information, e-mail [ctiw.net@gmail.com](mailto:ctiw.net@gmail.com)

### The Ignatian Camino

Join on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June for a showing of a documentary of the Ignatian Camino on this Ignatian Year. All are most welcome, and this evening is especially for those interested in attending Caminos in the Basque and Catalan regions to be organised by the parish in the autumn of this year. The documentary will be followed by Q&A. Wine will be served. 6.45pm for 7pm in the Aula Magna (second floor of 114 Mount Street).

### 9.30am Mass Hymns

<b>Entrance</b>	<b>769</b>	Lord, enthroned in heav'nly splendour
<b>Offertory</b>	<b>291</b>	Hail the day that sees him rise
<b>Communion</b>	<b>629</b>	I am the bread of life
<b>Recessional</b>	<b>321</b>	Crown him with many crowns

### London Jesuit Centre

The London Jesuit Centre is a place for the teaching and discussion of theology, the study and practice of the spiritual life, and engagement with issues of social and environmental justice, for the greater glory of God and the common good. It offers a programme of events, courses, and retreats. It is also a centre for individual spiritual direction and training and professional development in spiritual accompaniment. All are welcome to participate in the London Jesuit Centre programme. For more information and to sign up to their mailing list for regular updates on events, please visit <https://londonjesuitcentre.org/>. For more information, contact Federica Fiore at [ffiore@jesuit.org.uk](mailto:ffiore@jesuit.org.uk).