

A Summer Concert: The Happy Prince, Tuesday, 27th June 2023, 7pm, Farm Street Church.

Does real happiness come from being loved, or from loving to the extremes of self-giving? Oscar Wilde's famous short story about the friendship of a prince and a swallow offers a challenging answer to the real meaning of happiness.

Directed by Imma Setiadi (conductor/piano) and Nigel Clayton (narrator/piano), the Musical Rainbow Chamber Ensemble comprises of up and coming musicians associated with the Royal College of Music and other London Conservatoires. They will be presenting a fresh musical setting of Wilde's 'The Happy Prince' by Gerard LeFeuvre (written for a narrator, string orchestra, bassoon, flute, and Harp in memory of a Christian missionary in Uganda), alongside Gerald Finzi's evergreen 'Eclogue Op. 10' for Piano and String Orchestra and Saint-Saëns' 'The Carnival of the Animals'.

We are grateful to Fr Dominic for hosting this concert at this magnificent Church, and further support towards Farm Street Church will be gratefully received through donations at the concert.

Tickets can be obtained here: <https://www.ticketebo.co.uk/musical-rainbow-project>

A Day with Mary

When: Saturday 29th July 2023

Where: Westminster Cathedral

9:45am Entry procession of Our Lady of Fatima. Angelus. Crowning. Sung Litany.

10.30am Mass (with cathedral choir). Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Slawomir Witon. Consecration of the Parish to the Immaculate. The Five Joyful Mysteries

12.15pm Lunch break *Please bring a packed lunch*

1.20pm Exposition and Procession of the Blessed Sacrament. The Five Luminous Mysteries. Silent adoration. Sermon on Our Lady by Fr Lawrence Lew OP. Meditations on the Passion. Divine Mercy Chaplet (sung). Act of Consecration. Benediction. Procession of Our Lady of Fatima from Cathedral to Cathedral Hall. The Five Glorious Mysteries.

5.00pm Enrolments in the Brown Scapular and Miraculous Medal in the Cathedral Hall, followed by tea break.

Throughout the day: Confession and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

A Lamp For Our Lady

To give honour to Our Lady, a lamp burns before her statue in the sanctuary. A 7-day lamp is lit every Saturday, the day traditionally devoted to the Blessed Virgin, and burns throughout the week. An offering of £10 is requested to light this lamp, the intention of which will be printed every week in the Newsletter or may be kept anonymous (e.g. 'An anonymous donor for a private intention'). Please email the Parish Secretary (FarmStreetOffice@rcdow.org.uk) with your requested week and intention as well as how you wish it to be published.

The lamp this week is lit for the intention of deceased members of the Shields family.

Parish Prayer List

We pray for those in the parish who are sick: Debra Minty Baker, Diana Chadwick, Marie Carroll Copestake, Christian Engelhart, Asoka Fernando, Lady Antonia Fraser, Caroline Harkink, Erin Lillis, Nikhin, Laura Marani, Robert McCormack, Helen Murphy, Millon Nigussie, Mrs Katerina Porter, Sarah Esparza Regalado, George Tabor, Francis Walsh, Natalie Williams & Michael Wymes

The LORD sustains him on his sickbed; in his illness you restore him to full health. Psalm 41:3

We pray for those in the parish who have recently died. *Requiescant in pace*

Catholic Listeners

Catholic Listeners is a confidential telephone helpline service. A Diocese of Westminster initiative, it has been set up for those who are returning to the faith. The helpline is all about listening to others, listening to those who might have become isolated due to the pandemic. This service is based on the Landings ethos of compassionate listening. Although not a counselling service, the helpline is staffed by a professional team of volunteers who are trained to signpost callers to other services and agencies. Sometimes just communicating with someone who listens and understands can help clarify a way forward. Simply talking about a problem can ease a burden. We aim to help those in need of a safe space to talk.

Operating three days a week from 4pm-7pm on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays calls are free on **0800 448 0704**

For further information please email us at Catholiclisteners@gmail.com.

Catholic Listeners are here to listen.

NEWSLETTER

JESUIT CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION FARM STREET



Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
25th June 2023

PARISH CLERGY

Fr Dominic Robinson SJ, Parish Priest

Fr Nicholas King SJ; Fr Michael Holman SJ

REGULARLY ASSISTING CLERGY

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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 – 12.55pm

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

YEAR A

ENTRY

The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

RESPONSE

In your great love, answer me, O God.

ACCLAMATION

The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God.

COMMUNION

The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.



THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

The COVID pandemic interrupted so much in our lives. Work, school, and family patterns. Sickness, death, grief. Our churches being locked, Mass moving online. In the midst of this I think there emerges a spirit of service to those most in need, a new deeper reflection on human dignity, in spirituality, on faith in action. The Eucharist became in a sense more important as it forced us to think of what the Eucharist was all about. One effect of the pandemic was also to turn people too much in on themselves and interrupt community but we are now emerging clearly from that, and I hope learning from the experience of the pandemic, including in our celebration of Mass as the place above all as a community we learn to put faith put into action.

Online worship is now seen as a vital part of evangelisation because, when done well, it is designed not to keep people away but to draw more into and back to the Church. I encounter stories of this all the time as those who start participating online find their way into the church building and community in person, and so am heartened to expand still further our online facilities and reach. The Eucharist is never just a private devotion, whether online or in person. Make no mistake. It is the place in our lives par excellence where we hear the call to transcend ourselves. That's why we encourage again now as before COVID, to exchange a sign of peace before receiving Holy Communion, why we give audible responses, why we encourage active participation and understanding of words and actions. For what we do in the Mass prepares us for what the Mass is all about: 'Go in peace, glorifying the Lord with our lives'. Being Christ to the world. It expresses our Christian vocation to love as Christ loved.

Each time we approach the altar to receive Holy Communion we say yes to this and so say yes to our Christian calling. That's why we are invited to prepare well to receive his body and blood, to do so with reverence and understanding of this great gift, and to give thanks for that gift afterwards in silent prayer. Each time we say "amen" to his body and his blood we are reminded of our common duty to serve Him. And that is why also, now COVID restrictions are fully and safely lifted, we have been inviting you also, since Maundy Thursday, as a symbol of what it is all about, to receive from the chalice the precious blood of Christ. It is an invitation and not an obligation, as we understand some may feel uncomfortable, but it is an invitation we take seriously because it expresses who we are. Sent to proclaim our faith in his blood shed for us on the cross.

The Church of course teaches that 'nothing is lost by the body being received by the people without the blood: because the priest both offers and receives the blood in the name of all, and the whole Christ is present under either species' (*Summa Theologiae, III, q. 80, a. 12, ad 3*). Under the species of bread there is also present substantially, fully, the precious blood. This is our faith. So, the purpose of receiving Holy Communion under both kinds is not that we receive more grace than when we receive it under one kind alone, but, as the recent Church document *Redemptionis Sacramentum* puts it, that we are enabled to appreciate vividly the value of the sign. And that sign is important because we are a people who recognise in signs and gestures what our faith spurs us on to. The Precious Blood of Christ, truly present under the appearance of wine, is just such a sign, which, as the body broken for us shows us, invites us to embrace the mystery of the cross, of Jesus' sacrificial love for us, and our calling to love as he did in giving ourselves in total generosity for others.

As we emerge into a sometimes confusing but exciting post-pandemic world I pray that our faith in the weekly, daily, celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, confirms our faith in his presence among us and impels us to live out that faith in the world with a new integrity marked by the power of his sacrificial love.

Fr Dominic Robinson SJ

Sunday Refreshments

Refreshments are normally served in the Arrupe Hall after the 9.30am, 11am and 5.30pm Sunday Masses (second & fourth Sunday only for 5.30pm).

9.30am Mass Hymns

Entrance	955	O God our help in ages past
Offertory	601	Praise to the Lord
Communion	629	I am the bread the life
Recessional	728	O God beyond all praising

11am Mass Music List

Prelude	Adagio in F	Beethoven
Mass	Missa in Simplicitate	Langlais
Motets	Ave Maria	Schubert
	O sanctissima	Beethoven
Postlude	Wir glauben all an einen Gott (BWV680)	Bach

Liturgical Calendar

Sun: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mon: Feria
Tue: St John Southworth, Priest & Martyr
Wed: St Irenaeus, Bishop, Doctor & Martyr
Thu: SS Peter and Paul, Apostles
Fri: Feria; The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church (*Friday abstinence ends after First Vespers in Diocese of Westminster*)
Sat: Dedication of Westminster Cathedral (1910)
Sun: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Daily Readings

Sun: Jeremiah 20:10-13; Romans 5:12-15; Matthew 10:26-33
Mon: Genesis 12:1-9; Matthew 7:1-5
Tue: Genesis 13:2-18; Matthew 7:6-14
Wed: Genesis 15:1-18; Matthew 7:15-20
Thu: Acts 12:1-11; II Timothy 4:6-18; Matthew 16:13-19
Fri: Genesis 17:1-22; Matthew 8:1-4
Sat: Genesis 18:1-15; Matthew 8:5-17
Sun: II Kings 4:8-16; Romans 6:3-11; Matthew 10:37-42

Quiz Night with Joanna Bogle

Fundraising for Radio Maria England and The Church of Our Lady and St Dominic
 When? Wednesday 28th June, 6.30pm
 Where? Parish Hall, St Dominic's Priory, Southampton Road, NW5 4LB
 £15 suggested donation, online or at the door, food and refreshments included!
 Sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/2zz6v76d>

Pilgrimage to Walsingham in Reparation & Prayer for the Sanctity of Life

Saturday 5th August 2023

Led by Most Rev. Kevin McDonald Archbishop Emeritus of Southwark.
 Commencing at the 12 Noon Pilgrim Mass in the Chapel of Reconciliation.
 DEPARTURE 7.30 a.m. (prompt) Westminster Cathedral, Ambrosden Avenue
 Tickets : £25.00 from Domenica 07913 434357 For more details www.prolifepilgrimage.org and follow online at walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/

The Power of Life and Nature

There will be an Exhibition of paintings by Alex Roch entitled, "The Power of Life and Nature" from Wednesday 28th June - Tuesday 22nd August 2023, at 114 Mount Street, London W1K 3AH.
 A Private View will be held on Monday 17th July from 6.30 - 8.30pm in the Arrupe Hall, and all are welcome.
 A percentage of sales will go to the Parish.



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.

Below is a sampling of some upcoming events. For more information and to sign up to their mailing list for regular updates on events, please visit

www.londonjesuitcentre.org.

For further information, contact Federica Fiore at ffiore@jesuit.org.uk or on 020 7529 4844.

Salvation: How does it work?

"On Being Saved"

Saturday, 1 July 2023

10:00am - 4:00pm

Tutor: Dr Stuart Jesson

One Day Workshop at the London Jesuit Centre

Take a fascinating look at different ways people have suggested that 'Salvation' works.

Course overview

In one of the earliest writings in the New Testament, the Apostle Paul wrote: "For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures...". But the question of what it means to say that "Christ died for sins"—the question of atonement theology—has been answered in many different ways throughout Christian history, and is particularly controversial within recent theology. This course explores some of these differences, and asks what this little word "for" might mean. How can one man's death be "for" anyone else, let alone all humanity? What are we saying, when we say that "Christ died for sins?"