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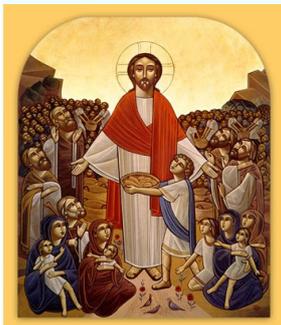
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# HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

208 Sangley Road SE6 2JS

CORPUS CHRISTI

19TH JUNE 2022



We hear in this year of Luke the Gospel account of the feeding of the 5000, the only miracle recorded in all four gospels. It is closely associated with Eucharist in the images it conjures - 'take, look up to heaven, bless, break, give, eat'.

Jesus responded to the human need for food. He first had the people sit in groups of 50. He did not separate his listeners by gender, class, or wealth. Unsegregated groups were unheard of in Jesus' day. A giant step forward in the evolution of relationship! Remember 50 people was a community; 5000 was a mob. Just as everyone sat in the groups of 50, each – regardless of what they thought of themselves – and received God's gift of bread unconditionally. Each of us receives the gift of God's love in Eucharist. We respond in loving relationship – in acting justly, loving kindly, and walking humbly.

## Corpus Christi

This feast honours Jesus Christ, Really, Truly and Substantially Present under the appearances of bread and wine. This Presence happens through the change which the Church calls *transubstantiation* ("change of substance"), when at the Consecration of the Mass, the priest says the words which Christ Himself pronounced over bread and wine, "This is My Body," "This is the chalice of My Blood," "Do this in remembrance of Me."

**Altar Servers Training** for both new and existing Altar Servers will take place this Saturday (18th June).

If you are new, please attend the training at 10.00am in the church. Please can existing Altar Servers join the group at 10.45am so that they can learn to work together with the new Altar Servers effectively. We look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible.

## Many Thanks Dear Bishop Patrick Lynch

A reminder that Bishop Pat is due to visit us for the solemnity of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus on June 24th and celebrate at the 7:00 pm Mass.

To thank him for his prayers and support, there will be a special collection envelopes available this weekend. Please return them next week. It will be a personal gift from you to Bishop Pat.



**Application Forms – 2022/23:** The application forms for First Holy Communion, Confirmation and RCIA for next year are available.

Please collect the forms you require from Fr Antony after any of the weekday Masses. **The deadline to submit your application form will be 25th July.** All programmes are due to start in September 2022.

**Please note:** if you are studying in year 7 now, you can also join the Confirmation Programme this year.

## PARISH CONTACTS

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## School Signing In

If you have children who will require a parish priest's reference for their school application (either primary or secondary), please request a signing in application slip from a Welcome Minister. You will be given a family number and after each weekend Mass simply quote this number to the Welcome Minister who will register your attendance. It will be a great help for those who attend regularly to get a good reference.

## Sacrament of Confirmation:

Congratulations to our young people who received the sacrament of Confirmation last Sunday. Many thanks to all catechists and the parents of the confirmed.



## CORPUS CHRISTI

**Entrance Hymn** (see board)

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Cf. Ps 80: 17**

He fed them with the finest wheat  
and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

**First reading**

**Genesis 14:18-20**

Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and wine; he was a priest of God Most High. He pronounced this blessing:

‘Blessed be Abram by God Most High, creator of heaven and earth, and blessed be God Most High for handing over your enemies to you.’

And Abram gave him a tithe of everything.

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Psalm 109(110):1-4**

*You are a priest for ever, a priest like Melchizedek of old.*

The Lord’s revelation to my Master:

‘Sit on my right:

your foes I will put beneath your feet.’

The Lord will wield from Zion  
your sceptre of power:  
rule in the midst of all your foes.

A prince from the day of your birth  
on the holy mountains;  
from the womb before the dawn I begot you.

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.

‘You are a priest for ever,  
a priest like Melchizedek of old.’

*You are a priest for ever, a priest like Melchizedek of old.*

**Second reading**

**1 Corinthians 11:23-26**

This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you: that on the same night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it, and he said, ‘This is my body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of me.’ In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said, ‘This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.’ Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming his death.

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Jn6:51**

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

I am the living bread which has come down from heaven,  
says the Lord.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.

*Alleluia!*

**Gospel**

**Luke 9:11-17**

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of healing.

It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to him and said, ‘Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and farms round about to find lodging and food; for we are in a lonely place here.’ He replied, ‘Give them something to eat yourselves.’ But they said, ‘We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for all these people.’ For there were about five thousand men. But he said to his disciples, ‘Get them to sit down in parties of about fifty.’ They did so and made them all sit down. Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised

his eyes to heaven, and said the blessing over them; then he broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd. They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve baskets.

**Homily**

**The Creed**

**Offertory Hymn** (see board)

**Holy, Holy, Holy**

**Memorial Acclamation**

**Lamb of God**

**Communion Antiphon**

**Jn 6: 57**

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood  
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

**Communion Hymn(s)** (see board)

**Recessional Hymn** (see board)

### Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.  
Body of Christ, save me.  
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.  
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.  
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.  
O Good Jesus, hear me.  
Within your wounds hide me.  
Permit me not to be separated from you.  
From the wicked foe, defend me.  
At the hour of my death, call me  
and bid me come to you  
That with your saints I may praise you  
For ever and ever. Amen.

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** will  
renew their commitment this weekend.

Many thanks for your missions during the Mass. Please also consider visiting the sick and housebound; their spiritual welfare is an incredibly important part of our parish. We have a number of care homes and parishioners who are very keen to restart visits from Eucharistic Ministers. Please let Fr Antony know as soon as possible if you will be able to fulfil this request. Full training will be given.

### Mass Intentions:

Please see the noticeboards for this coming week’s  
Mass Times & Intentions.

### Money Matters (Loose Collections)

Mass Offerings (12/6): £506

Second Collection: £98

Mass Offerings (5/6): £559

*Thank you all for your kindness and generosity.*