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Year A : The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ
14th June 2020

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Both churches are monitored by CCTV cameras 24 hours a day. Live streaming of all services takes place at St Teresa's and can be viewed at www.churchservices.tv/borehamwood or through the link on our website

FIRE SAFETY NOTICE: If anyone has difficulty in hearing, walking or anything else that may slow down safe exit in the event of a fire, please let us know before the service starts, so that we can arrange for assistance for you.

All masses and services are shown live via our website on the "Live Streaming" page. They are also recorded and kept for a month so if you miss a live service, you can still watch it later. If you need any help with this, please call us & we can talk you through it.

Saturday 13th June	Vigil: Corpus Christi	6pm	Alexius Buzugbe RIP (2nd Ann) & Mary Byrne RIP (Ann)
Sunday 14th June	Corpus Christi	10am	Mila Hogarth (Thanksgiving) & Patty Sherwood RIP
Monday 15th June	Feria	8am 9.15am 6pm	Office of Readings, Decade of Rosary & prayers Deirdre Heath RIP & John Butler RIP Holy Hour
Tuesday 16th June	Feria	8am 9.15am	Office of Readings, Decade of Rosary & prayers Kathleen Reasbeck RIP & Kevin Traynor RIP & James McHugh RIP
Wednes. 17th June	Feria	6pm 8am 9.15am	Holy Hour Office of Readings, Decade of Rosary & prayers Eilish Doyle RIP Ruth, Miriam, Julius, Aaron & Jane Rees RIP
Thursday 18th June	Feria	6pm 8am 9.15am 6pm	Holy Hour Office of Readings, Decade of Rosary & prayers Jim Lavin RIP & Eileen Duffley (Int) Holy Hour
Friday 19th June	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	8am 9.15am 6pm	Office of Readings, Decade of Rosary & prayers Mr P. O Ouseph RIP & James McCutcheon RIP Holy Hour
Saturday 20th June	Vigil: 12th Sunday	6pm	Doreen O'Reardon RIP (Ann) & Edith Sweeney RIP

The **Office of Readings** is part of the Liturgy of hours, comprising hymns, psalms & readings along with a decade of the Rosary & Pope Francis' new Marian Prayers.

The **Holy Hour** includes spiritual readings & reflection, Vespers, Compline (night prayer) & Benediction. Our website has many resources to help you during this period, please do have a look.

As Masses are suspended, the faithful are unable to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. Even we may not receive 'sacramental' Communion, all are united in some way by the Holy Spirit. The traditional idea of 'spiritual' Communion is an important one to remember and reaffirm. A deep spiritual communion is possible even when we do not share together the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ. We can make a spiritual Communion by saying this prayer: "My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen."

Liturgy of the Word: 14th June 2020

Entrance Antiphon: *He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.*
Responsorial Psalm: *O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!*
Gospel Acclamation: *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!*
Next week's readings: *Jeremiah 20:10-13, Psalm 68:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35, resp v 14, Romans 5:12-15, John 1:14, 12*

Fr Dominic writes:

Feast of Corpus Christi - The Body and Blood of Jesus Christ

I love this great Feastday. As a child I loved the Procession around the streets and all the houses with the bunting and the flags and the people thronging the pavements and I was always moved when I saw everybody kneeling down and blessing themselves and bowing their heads when the Blessed Sacrament passed them. The people sang all the Eucharistic hymns and when I was a senior altar server I was leading the procession with the thurible and continuously incensed the Blessed Sacrament. Great times indeed.

It was great, therefore, when I came to Borehamwood and we started the Corpus Christi Procession with all the children who had just made their First Holy Communion leading the way in their special celebration clothes. Sadly in this crazy time we cannot get together and process from SS John Fisher and Thomas More in Rossington Avenue St. Teresa's in Shenley Road for Benediction and a Thanksgiving Party. Fr. Antonio has composed a lovely slideshow from last year's procession and I certainly intend to spend some time of Sunday watching over and over and in the privacy of my living room I shall play the hymns and attempt to sing the songs. Do the same!

Today's Readings point to three aspects of this core mystery of our faith: the Real Presence, the Eucharist as the source of our unity and the Eucharist as nourishment for our souls. When we come to church, we don't have to hope that the Lord will be here. His presence doesn't depend on our mood, our feelings, our holiness or even on our faith. Christ is truly present in the Eucharist by his promise and power. The Lord also gave us the Eucharist to draw us together. When we receive Holy Communion we all receive the same Jesus to bind us all in unity as the Church. The Eucharist nourishes us like the manna in the desert. The Eucharist nourishes the soul. The Eucharist is our manna, our food for the journey which gives us grace and which promises us future glory. Christ lives in us.

News from St Teresa's School: St Teresa's looking for a Foundation Governor, ideally with Financial experience or expertise. If you are interested, please call the school who can put you in touch with someone to explain the responsibilities and requirements needed. Fr Dominic has the forms that you will need to complete. **Also required: A Learning Support Assistant for September** 29 hours & 10 minutes per week – Fixed Term contract until July 2021. A full time role – or job share considered split as mornings or afternoons only. The successful candidate will: have recent experience of working with children of primary school age & be experienced in supporting children with speech and language needs. For further information & an application pack contact Mrs Katrina Bradley on 020 8953 3753 or at admin@stteresas.herts.sch.uk. Application forms are also available on the website www.stteresas.herts.sch.uk. School visits are highly recommended & can be arranged whilst adhering to social distancing. Interviews may be conducted online. The school is committed to the principles of equality of opportunity and safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. This post is subject to Enhanced Disclosure Procedures. Closing date: Friday 26th June 2020 Interviews: Wednesday 1st July 2021



We hope to reopen the Church for private prayer sometime in the near future but are unable to do so without volunteers. We need people to act as stewards and cleaners. We are aiming for Tuesdays 7.30-8.30pm, Friday 11.30am-12.30pm & Saturday 4pm-5pm. Please contact us by phone or via website if you can help.



2020 Cathetical Programmes Rescheduled dates for will be communicated as soon as we are able.



You will all be used to seeing a box in this newsletter with the summary each week of offertory collections. The Offertory is our main source of income. Thank you to everyone who has continued with, or switched to, Standing Orders during this time, We appreciate that these are tough times, but if you are able to donate still in lieu of your weekly offertory, there is now a Virgin Money page for donations, We have set up a quick link on our website & Facebook page. Thank you for your support.



The Foodbank are looking for more trustees:

We will offer training opportunities when available, but would start by chatting to you, explaining the role in more detail and arranging introductory visits. If you are interested, please contact Kim Grey on 02035831109 or email info@borehamwood.foodbank.org.uk.



Protecting your privacy: Any personal details that you provide to this parish, (name, address, email, telephone number etc.) will be held on file & stored on the parish computer securely. If applicable, your details will also be entered into the appropriate Sacramental Register. For Volunteers groups, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers etc., your details will be shared with other group members in this parish to enable you to arrange cover etc. If you do not wish your details to be shared, please let the Parish Office know **You can read our full privacy policy on rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy**

Please pray for the following whose funeral services will be taking place. Unfortunately, they will not be open to the public.

James McHugh 15th June

Margaret Slattery 16th June

James McCutcheon 19th June

May they rest in peace & rise in glory.



Live Streaming: We are delighted with the number of people who are able to join and celebrate Mass with us over the Live Stream. On average we have

350 viewers for the weekday Masses, Saturday's Vigil brings in around 430 & Sunday's views are around the 1150 mark. When you think that there may be more than one person viewing the screen at the same time in the home, the figures are amazing! We have people viewing from around the world as well as locally & in the UK. We would like to welcome all of you to our parish and thank you all for the kind messages and emails that you have been sending to us, we love hearing about how you watch the services, and how much you enjoy Fr Dominic's singing. He is practising for the X Factor next. We would love as many as possible to use this service, so don't forget that its Father's Day next week and if the whole family is looking for a present to get Dad, how about getting him an iPad and set it up to be enable him to watch the streaming ?



If you know of anyone who would like a paper or large print version of this newsletter posted out to them, especially if they do not have access to the internet, please

let us know.