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OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

CATHOLIC CHURCH • GREENWICH

JUNE – DEDICATED TO THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE 11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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SATURDAY 13th June

6.00pm Vigil Mass

Thomas Hannaway

SUNDAY 14th June

11th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

9.00am Sung Mass

Joanna Burnand RIP (Anni.)

11.00am Sung mass

Cu Tran RIP

MONDAY 15th June

FERIA

11:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12.30pm Holy Mass

Mother Mechtilde O.S.U. RIP

TUESDAY 16th June

SAINT RICHARD of CHICHESTER

6:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00pm Holy Mass

Denis and Mary Anne Ford RIP

WEDNESDAY 17th June

FERIA

8:00am Holy Mass (term time only)

People of the Parish

11:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12.30pm Holy Mass

Denis and Mary Anne Ford RIP

THURSDAY 18th June

FERIA

11:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12.30pm Holy Mass John & Maria Sturmer & their Dec'sed Relatives RIP

FRIDAY 19th June

(FRIDAY ABSTINENCE)

SAINT JOHN RIGBY

10:00am Holy Mass at the Elizabeth College Almshouse

11:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12.30pm Holy Mass All deceased who have worshipped at OLSS RIP

SATURDAY 20th June

SAINT ALBAN

6.00pm Vigil Mass

Sue Ashworth

SUNDAY 21st June

12th SUNDAY of ORDINARY TIME

9.00am Sung Mass

Richard Carter RIP (15th Anni)

11.00am Sung Mass

Paddy Carran RIP (98th Birthday)

Confessions

Saturdays at 10.00am – 10.30am and 5pm - 5.30pm. After weekday Mass – please sit by the confessional.

Adoration

One hour before every weekday mass.

DONATIONS

Nat West Bank
Sort code: 60-09-16
Account number: 25240676
Account Name: RCAS Greenwich

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*Thank you for your kindness and
generosity.*

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LAST WEEK

CASH COLLECTION

GIFT AID- £83.00

LOOSE - £407.36

TERMINAL COLLECTION

£732.00

STANDING ORDERS FOR MAY

£3859

ATTENDANCE

334

Spiritual Thought

If you are an avid reader of the newsletter, you'll have noticed that each month is dedicated to a particular Catholic devotion, which the church invites us to spend the month celebrating. Some of these are obvious, May is Mary's month, November is for the Holy Souls – and June, beautiful June, is dedicated to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The devotion to the Most Sacred Heart is very ancient – Our Lord himself invites us to come rest and learn from him for he is “meek and humble of heart” (Mt. 11:29). And on the cross, his heart is opened by the spear and out flows the mystical power of the sacraments. On the cross he has become the wounded one, whom we shall all gaze on. (Jn 19:37).

This is the same heart that was revealed to St. Margaret Mary in her convent at Paray-le-Monial. As she was praying before the Blessed Sacrament, Our Lord seemed to ‘step out’ from the Blessed Sacrament. He spoke of his love for the world, his sorrow at sin, and then pulled back his tunic from his breast and showed his sacred heart.

This is the image which we know and love – our Lord's heart, wounded and on fire with love.

This whole month is dedicated to entering more deeply into this beautiful mystery of the Lord's love. Love is a profound mystery and divine Love is divinely profound. That God should love us so much, that his heart should burn for love of us – has he met us? Yes, he met us, and look what we did to him! But still, even now, especially now, he loves us. Can we accept this love? Can we accept this love without trying to monetize it, without trying to control or distort it? Can we return it – and love God?

If we go to the Sacred Heart chapel in our own church, and ask sincerely “let me receive your love” – Our Lord will most certainly respond – He loves to have his love received.

Church Renovation News

Much has been happening behind the scenes with the Church Renovation Project. Progress can seem slow because with a listed building, after deciding with the architect and other experts what work is most essential many applications for permission and funding need to be made.

There are two particular areas of concern i) the apsidal roofs (not the main roof but the little ones at the sides). You might know these leak rainwater in wet weather. ii) the main stained-glass windows above the altar and in the Blessed Sacrament chapel, and nearest to Our Lady's altar. These are in a very bad condition and are in urgent need of repair. I'm happy to point out the problems.

Recently a new fund for churches was announced by the government and we are putting in an application for funding for the apsidal roofs. We will approach the National Lottery funds for the repair and renewal of the windows.

Please can I ask you to earnestly pray to Our Lady for the success of our bids. The ground work has been done by architects, surveyors and QS – so now we need to pray that God give us success in our application.

Sad Parish News

Bridie Holmes died peacefully, at home in the Elizabeth College on Saturday afternoon, aged 96, after a long and holy life.

Summer Concerts at OLSS

We are pleased to announce the first of our Summer Concert Series. On Sunday 14th June at 3pm, Ashley Solano Hernandez, a student at Trinity Laban, will play Carnival by Schumann, followed by an original composition, 2nd Sonata – Shadows of the Soul. This concert will be free to attend, but donations are welcome. Please do help to advertise this concert.

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Our Lady's Stars – Next Gathering on 14th June

Our next constellation of Our Lady's Stars will take place this Sunday (14th June) after the 11:00 am Mass. All primary school children are very welcome, along with their younger siblings. Snacks will be provided for the children, and tea or coffee will be available for parents.

We encourage more families to join us as we create a space for children to build friendships and feel at home in our parish community. We would love to see more young children joining us, so please come along for some Bible based children's lessons, prayers and music.

Refreshments after Mass

This Sunday (14th June) we will have refreshments after the two morning Masses. Please do come to meet fellow parishioners.

All proceeds raised are for the Greenwich and Bexley Hospice. Last month's coffee morning raised an amazing £98 for the hospice.

Parish Register

Please can I ask you to fill out the simple Parish Registration Form at the back of the church and return it directly to me (Fr Tom) or into the Presbytery door.

Thank you.