



**CYD-GADEIRLAN SAINT JOSEFF  
SAINT JOSEPH'S CO-CATHEDRAL**



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*Times and Intentions of Holy Mass for the Coming week*

Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> June <i>Vigil of Corpus Christi</i>	5:00pm <b>5.30pm</b>	<i>Confessions</i> Alan Jones RIP (Marian Tennant)
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> June <i>Corpus Christi</i>	8:00am 10.00am	Myrtle Thomas RIP Pro Populo ( <i>For the People</i> )
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>NO MASS</b>	
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	6:00pm <b>6:30pm</b>	<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> Pat Dee RIP (Pauline)
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>9:30am</b> <b>11:30am</b>	Mary Rees RIP (Marian Tennant) <b>Funeral Service of Simon Hole RIP</b>
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>11:00am</b>	<b>Requiem Mass of Alan Jones RIP</b>
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June <i>The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</i>	<b>9:30am</b> <i>Followed by adoration</i>	Alan Jones RIP (Tess Davies)
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> June <i>Vigil of 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	5:00pm <b>5.30pm</b>	<i>Confessions</i> Myfanwy Alexander RIP (Mary Jones)
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> June <i>11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8:00am 10.00am	Peter & Cynthia Scubala (Sue Anthony) Pro Populo ( <i>For the People</i> )

**Baptism Information:** is available in the porch. Please complete the form after reading the information and then arrangements can be made for parents to attend a short course before a date for baptism is arranged.

***Please pray for those who are unwell:***

Deacon Tony Lawrence, Teresa Williams, Ian Williams, Lee Ellery, Taylor Mai, Heather Mitchell, Neil Andrew Francis, Gary Lewis, Tom Bright, Maralyn Brain, Christopher Browne, Brian Thomas, Lynda Rees, Candida Felicio, Nora Kennedy, Patrick (Paddy) Colclough, Eileen Morgan, Eileen Griffiths, Melanie Kennedy, Rita Lewis, Danielle Jones; Donald Pitson, Pat Durran, Barbara Watts, Neil Rooney, and all the sick.

**OFFERINGS FOR SUNDAY:**

24<sup>th</sup> May 1st Collection (Loose Plate) **£730.59**  
 If you would like to make your offertory donation on line by BACS please contact the office for our bank details. Alternatively, there is a Standing Order form from the porch, or on our website if you wish to set up a regular payment. There is also the collection at Mass each week.  
**THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.**

**Church Cleaning:** Thank you to all who have said they would like to be part of a cleaning rota to clean the Cathedral!! Please sign the large sheet in the porch, so a rota can be made. Thank you for your generosity!! DIOLCH!!



***Please pray for the repose of the Soul of:*** Alan Jones, Joy Onyemegbulem, Simon Hole, and all the faithful departed.

***RIP anniversaries:*** David Jones, Douglas Harris, Robert Griffin, Maria Smitham, Christopher Begley, Lewis Grey, Patricia Purnell, James Lynon, Elsie Griffiths, Margaret Williams, Patrick Driscoll, Mary Palmer, Thomas Cullen, and all the faithful departed.

***Sanctuary Lamps are lit for:***

David Jones RIP



**Mass Intention Requests:** There are still a number of Mass Intentions that have been given in some time ago. I am trying to combine them with more recent requests, so sorry for any delays in publishing intentions.

***Prayer to St. Michael, Archangel***

Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.



**Fr Phillip writes...** We are in ordinary time in the Church's calendar, but last week and this week, we keep important feasts. This weekend we keep the feast of the most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)—we focus our minds on Christ—truly present to us in the Holy Eucharist. This is truly central to our Faith as Catholics, that Christ is given to us in Holy Communion—Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity.

We are called to be that which we receive—Christ in the world. We are encouraged to prepare ourselves to receive him, both by our attitude of mind, and also by preparing our souls. Whenever we prepare to receive Our Lord in the Holy Eucharist, we look into our hearts and reflect on those things that may be present that could act as a hindrance to us fully welcoming our Saviour – and then we make a good confession. Let us focus this week on this great gift, and pray that we take Christ to others.

### **Heartfelt Thanks – Diolch o galon!:**

To the many people who generously Gave of their time and energy to Prepare for the Requiem of Canon Jason, by cleaning, moving seating, Polishing, carrying, and in all other Ways! Also to the many who were Able to help on the day, and show a warm and welcoming hospitality to so many guests and visitors. People made an extra special effort to comfort those who were in pain and grieving, and it was truly charitable. To all who stewarded the priests and people, you brought an organised dignity to the liturgy, and those who served, did so with flawless grace – many of our servers took time off work to bring a reserved grace to the Sacred Liturgy.

This showed a great act of kindness to the memory of the ministry of Canon Jason, but was a real gift of comfort to his family and friends – especially his mother and brother. Your generosity made a real difference in the lives of those who needed help the most. Thank you for your living out of the Gospel in our Community! May God reward your kindness.



### **A thought on the Sacred Heart of Jesus:**

On the cross, Jesus allows his side to be pierced by the lance, “so that, won over to the open heart of the Savior, all might draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation. Contemplating Christ in this way will encourage us to take up the path by which we return to God’s friendship. “Find shelter his hands, in his feet, in his side,”

“And your willingness to start again will revive, and you will take up your journey with greater determination and effectiveness.” If we want to escape from the trap of discouragement, the best remedy is to think less about our own limitations, and look calmly at the Heart that has allowed itself to be pierced by the sins of all mankind.



**Corpus Christi:** The Solemnity of Corpus Christi dates back to the 13th century. In Belgium, following the mystical experiences of Saint Juliana de Cornillon, a local feast dedicated to the Most Holy Eucharist was established. Several years later, in 1263, a Bohemian



priest on pilgrimage to Italy was afflicted by doubts about the Real Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. While celebrating Mass in the town of Bolsena, he experienced a Eucharistic miracle, when a few drops of blood were shed by the broken Host after the consecration. The very next year, in 1264, Pope Urban IV extended the feast of Corpus Christi to the whole Church. This feast helps us to call to mind that Jesus is truly present to us in the Sacrament of His body and Blood.

**The Month of June:** is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The feast of the Sacred Heart is kept on the Friday 19 days after Pentecost, but Devotion to the Sacred Heart is something which can sustain us spiritually throughout the year.

Devotion to the Sacred Heart became popular in Wales and England in medieval times, as the faithful meditated on the wounds of Jesus brought about by His Passion and on the Heart of Jesus pierced by a lance. The writings of Julian of Norwich talk about Jesus showing her His side during her visions of Him, and Jesus talking of His love for us with the words “See how I love you”. The devotion to the Sacred Heart in its more modern form was spread by St Margaret Mary Alacoque, who lived in the second half of the 17th century. She was a French nun in the town of Paray-le-Monial and had visions of Jesus, where Our Lord revealed to her His Sacred Heart. During these visions, He told her of His love for us and His desire for us to be devoted to His Sacred Heart. The symbolism of the Sacred Heart shows a heart that is often surrounded by light, depicting the divine light which shines from the Heart of Jesus. There is a wound in the heart where the lance was thrust into the side of Jesus on the Cross. The Heart is surrounded by the crown of thorns, showing how His Heart is wounded by our sins, and is surmounted by a cross and flames of fire, symbolising the transformative power of God’s love for us.



**Beware of Telephone Scams:** Unfortunately, criminals use people’s trust and good nature to gain information and to steal from them.

Please do not get caught out by telephone scammers. Your bank will **never** call you and ask for information about you or your details! And your energy suppliers have all your details already! Don’t give information to callers—think safe. The same is true for text messages and e-mails – don’t worry, just be vigilant.



*“Since Christ Himself has said, ‘This is My Body,’ who shall dare to doubt that it is His Body?” - St Cyril of Jerusalem*