



The Catholic Church in Jersey

One Catholic Parish for the Island of Jersey

2/3 June 2018 ~ Corpus Christi ~ Year B

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



***"This is my body ...
This is my blood"***

Over the last few weeks we have contemplated and meditated upon the Mysteries of Pentecost,

the Most Holy Trinity and today, Corpus Christi-the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. The Eucharist, which completes our Christian initiation, a sacrament of love, a sign of unity, is described by the Church Fathers as, *'the source and summit of faith'* (Lumen Gentium 11).

The origins of this great Feast, Corpus Christi, are rooted in the ancient Jewish sacrifices described in our First Reading today, when Moses directed the young Israelites, *'to offer, holocausts and immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices'* (Ex 24:5). Blood, in the ancient world, was the symbol of life and also a symbol of God, who is the giver of all life. Through the Blood of Christ we have become one again with God. Our Second Reading, from the Letter to the Hebrews continues the theme of blood, when we are reminded of the sacrifice of, *'the Blood of Christ, who offered himself as the*

perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit' (Heb.9:14). In the Gospel, St Mark tells us how Christ, under the forms of bread and wine, gives his body and blood for us, *'Take it,' he said, 'this is my body ... 'this is my blood'* (Mk.14:23, 24). In this Mystery, the mystery of our salvation, Christ is present among us offering us life.

These are the great Mysteries of our Faith. Sometimes they are difficult to grasp and understand. This is where Meditation and Contemplation are relevant. We do well, also, to remind ourselves that, over the years, thousands of people, Saints and Martyrs have given their lives in defence of these beliefs. Many of our own children are approaching these mysteries at this time as they celebrate their First Holy Communion, supported by our prayers, instructed by our Catechists and inspired by the Holy Spirit, they will begin to glimpse the true meaning of this wonderful gift from God.

O Sacrament most holy! O Sacrament divine! All praise and all thanksgiving be every moment thine!

Deacon Iain

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AS FR NICHOLAS PREPARES TO CELEBRATE HIS 50 YEARS OF PRIESTLY MINISTRY

Our prayers go with him as he travels to Rome this Sunday for a short retreat. Fr Nicholas will be concelebrating with the Holy Father at his early morning Mass in the Casa Santa Marta, in the Vatican.

Fr Nicholas writes: *'You are warmly invited to join me at St Thomas' Church at 7pm on Friday 8 June in giving thanks to God (not to me!) for my 50 years of priestly service, followed with a party in the hall.'*

HONOURS FOR THREE PARISHIONERS

Many congratulations to three parishioners who will be each awarded a Diocesan Medal by the Catholic Bishop of Portsmouth, The Right Rev Philip Egan during his forthcoming visit to Jersey later this month. This award is in recognition of their dedicated service within the Catholic Church in Jersey.

Francelise Davison will receive the award in recognition of her many years of pastoral service to the sick and housebound to whom she takes Holy Communion.

Delia Hardiman will receive this award in recognition of her dedicated work as Manager of Catholic Pastoral Services Centre and as an administrative assistant to the Catholic Dean of Jersey in particular for Island wide events and activities

Malcolm L'Amy, who is not a Roman Catholic, will be receiving this medal with the express permission of the Bishop in recognition of his over 20 years association with St Thomas' Church, in particular during the last 15 years as the church organist.

OFFICE MANAGER FOR ST HELIER

Due to the present post holder's retirement, there is a vacancy for an Office Manager in St Helier, which covers the churches of St Thomas' and St Mary & St Peter's. This is a wide-ranging, interesting and busy role for an experienced administrator with excellent secretarial, time-management and prioritisation skills. This is a full-time position, but hours may be negotiable. The successful candidate will work closely with the Catholic Dean of Jersey and will be sympathetic to the ministry and mission of the Catholic Church in Jersey.

A detailed job description is available from Fr Benjamin Theobald. Contact on tel. 720235 or btheobald@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk Salary will be according to experience.



CALLING ALL PRESENT & FUTURE CATECHISTS

Have you taken one of the leaflets available in all our churches giving the dates and times of formation and support sessions for all catechists who share the Catholic faith? Our priests and deacons ask that all catechists attend four sessions which are essential to continue or begin these important ministries in September.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED AT

ST MATTHIEU on Sunday 3 June at 9.30am.

ST BERNADETTE on Sunday 10 June 11.15am

ST MARY & ST PETER'S on Sunday 10 June at 11.30am.

Please keep all the children and their families in your prayers.

SACRED HEART PARENTS' MEETING

Takes place on **Wednesday 6 June** at 7.30pm.



THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE IS:

That social networks may work towards that inclusiveness which respects others for their differences.

Marriage

Congratulations to Philip Irvine & Nicola Zambon who were recently married.

Funerals

Please pray for the soul of Giuseppe Orlandini. May he rest in peace.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

We acknowledge with thanks:

	CASH	PLANNED GIVING
East	£739.79	£462.75
St Helier	£1430.00	£1,096.37
West	tba	£521.42

OASIS OF PEACE

Preparation for the Sunday Readings – Monday 4 June at 7pm.

Adoration & Rosary - Thursday 7 June at 9am - prior to Mass at St Matthieu.

Morning Prayer - Friday 8 June at 6.30am, followed by breakfast.



FINAL OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN IN THIS SPECIAL CELEBRATION

The Parish invites you to a Mass of Celebration at St Thomas' Church at 11am celebrated by Bishop Crispian on **Saturday 23 June** followed by a Reception in the Hall. It is a wonderful occasion to celebrate and witness to Marriage. Please email dcniain@catholicchurch.org.je or telephone 725963/Mob: 07797 732853. To help celebrate the occasion please could you provide a copy of your wedding photograph with the completed form to be left at Catholic Pastoral Services or posted to: Deacon Iain MacFirbhisigh KHS
Catholic Pastoral Services, 19 Val Plaisant JE2 4TA
(no later than 10 June.)

MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE Contact: Mary Cahill
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Friday Faith & Fun - 3.30pm - 5pm for babies, toddlers and primary age children in St Thomas' Hall.
Praise & Play – for babies and toddlers - Mondays at 9.30am - 11.30am in St Bernadette's Hall.

Family Friendly Adoration 4pm in St Thomas' hosted by our CGA.

Catholic Grandparents gather at 11am **Wednesday 6 June** at CPS for prayer and formation.

THE WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES AUG 2018

Places are still available for you to join Fr Benjamin who is leading a group of pilgrims to Dublin. We are fundraising for those in need. **Family quiz night Saturday 9 June** 7pm at St Thomas'. £4 adults & under 12's £2. **Saturday café at St Matthieu** 9-12 noon. **Family picnic Sunday 24 June** at St Bernadette
More details from Mary or Moyra.

JACY YOUTH ALPHA

Starting this **Thursday 7 June** – An exciting new course open to all youth from school years 6 to year 8 on Thursdays from 6.30pm - 8.30pm in the upper room at St Thomas' Hall. This is a 6 week course and will be useful for current Year 8 who are planning to join the Confirmation sacramental programme in September 2018.

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Please visit us at www.jacy.org.je
Facebook 'Jersey Catholic Youth'

BEAULIEU SISTERS ARE MOVING TO FRANCE

Beaulieu is saddened to share the news that the Sisters will be returning to France during the summer, to take up residence in the Mother House there. The School and the Island Church will give thanks to God for the Sisters on the Feast of St Peter and St Paul at St Thomas' Church on **Friday 29 June** at 11am.

Also past pupils, past parents, current parents, past staff members and friends of Beaulieu are invited to a service on **Saturday 30 June**, at St Mary and St Peter's Church at 9.30am to celebrate the Beaulieu Sisters' time in Jersey and all they have done for the School. Afterwards there will be refreshments in the Main School Gym, where farewells can be made in person. For catering purposes RSVP

desousa@beaulieu.jersey.sch.uk

SAFEGUARDING REPS. MEETING

Takes place on **Thursday 7 June** at 6pm at Catholic Pastoral Services.

CHILD PROTECTION SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

A training session will take place on **Monday 18 June** at 7pm, at Catholic Pastoral Services, for all those who participate in any ministry involving children. If you have not attended Child Protection Safeguarding training within the past three years then please attend this training session, *Please contact Paula Andrew to register your attendance:*

p.andrew@catholicchurch.org.je or call 732583.

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION AT THE LITTLE SISTERS

This Sunday there will be a procession of the Blessed Sacrament at the Little Sisters of the Poor after the 10.30am Mass. All are welcome, especially those children who have recently received their First Holy Communion.

THE CATHOLIC GIFT SHOP

Cards and Gifts for First Holy Communion and Confirmation are on sale plus cards for Ordinations, Anniversaries and Jubilees for Priests, Religious and Deacons.

Please do come and visit the shop where our team of volunteers will be happy to assist you to find something suitable.

*For the times of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary and Confession,
please see church notice boards.*

Mass Times in the Parish during the next week

Date	Time	Church	Mass intention
Saturday 2 June	First Mass for Corpus Christi		
	6:00 pm	Sacred Heart	Babs and Reg Tanner RIP
	6:00 pm	St Patrick	Peter Barton & George & Sue Cutland RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Ana Maria Pereira de Sousa RIP
Sunday 3 June	Corpus Christi		
	Ex 24:3-8; Psalm 115; Heb 9:11-15; Mark 14:12-16.22-26		
	9:00 am	Our Lady, St Martin	Peter Evans RIP
	9:00 am	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish
	9:15 am	St Thomas	The People of the Parish
	9:30 am	St Matthieu	Wally Nisbet RIP
	11:00 am	St Patrick	Fr Brian Sandeman Intentions, 25 th Jubilee
	11:15 am	St Bernadette	Joao Jose Ferreira RIP
	11:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	Holy Souls
	3:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Portuguese: Paulo Agrela & Family in Thanksgiving Alexandrina Vieira RIP, João Júnior, Maria de Jesus and Xavier dos Reis RIP and Luis Velosa RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Betty Devlin RIP
	7:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Polish
Monday 4 June	Feria		
	2 Pet 1:2-7; Psalm 90; Mark 12:1-12		
	9:30 am	Our Lady, St Martin	Catherine Turner RIP
Tuesday 5 June	St Boniface		
	Acts 26:19-23; Psalm 116; John 10:11-16		
	9:30 am	Sacred Heart	
	9:30 am	St Patrick	Frank Marquer RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Maria Nunes Câmara RIP
Wednesday 6 June	St Norbert		
	2 Tim 1:1-3.6-12; Psalm 122; Mark 12:18-27		
	12:30 pm	St Thomas	Clair Allam RIP
	6:30 pm	Sacred Heart 6pm Adoration 7pm Rosary	Maureen Ball Smith RIP
Thursday 7 June	Feria		
	2 Tim 2:8-15; Psalm 24; Mark 12:28-34		
	7:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	Holy Souls
	9:30 am	St Patrick	Sister Francoise Marie de Jesus RIP
	10:00 am	St Matthieu	For the intentions of Anne and Peter Thomas
Friday 8 June	Most Sacred Heart of Jesus		
	Hos 11:1.2-4.8-9; Is 12:2-6; Eph 3:8-12.14-19; John 19:31-37		
	12:00 pm	St Bernadette	NO MASS
	12:30 pm	St Thomas	NO MASS
	7:00 pm	St Thomas	Fr Nicholas' 50th Anniversary of Ordination
	7:00 pm	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish + Holy Hour
Saturday 9 June	The Immaculate Heart of Mary		
	2 Tim 4:1-8; Psalm 70; Mark 12:38-44		
	9:30 am	St Patrick	
	11:00 am	St Thomas	KSC for increase of membership
Saturday 9 June	First Mass of the 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	6:00 pm	Sacred Heart	Maureen Ball Smith RIP
	6:00 pm	St Patrick	George & Rosalie Lebacke RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Caroline Jones RIP
Sunday 10 June	10th Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	Gen 3:9-15; Psalm 129; 2 Cor 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20.35		
	9:00 am	Our Lady, St Martin	Intentions of CWL
	9:00 am	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish
	9:15 am	St Thomas	Alexandrina Vieira RIP
	9:30 am	St Matthieu	Dominic Ritchie RIP
	11:00 am	St Patrick	Fr Brian Sandeman Intentions, 25 th Jubilee
	11:15 am	St Bernadette	For all those making their First Holy Communion in the Island this year
	11:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	Sergio Bianchi RIP
	3:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Portuguese Our Lady of Fatima in thanksgiving, Maria Nóbrega RIP, Jordao Rosa RIP, Ilda Ferreira RIP, Virginia Abreu RIP, Cristóvão Gomes RIP and Sara Joyce RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	The People of the Parish
	7:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Polish

Little Sisters: Mass at 11am each weekday and 10.30am every Sunday. For the addresses of the above churches, please call one of our parish offices (phone numbers on the front page of this newsletter) or visit our website: www.catholicchurch.org.je.

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