

# Mass Propers

## Sunday 10.30am

### Introit

*Cibavit eos* (Ps 81:17, 1)

He fed them with the finest wheat flour, alleluia: and with honey from the rock hath he satisfied them, alleluia, alleluia.

(Ps) Sing we merrily unto God our helper: make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob.

GLORY. He fed...

### Collect

**O** GOD, who in a wonderful Sacrament hast left unto us a memorial of thy Passion, grant us, we beseech thee, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of thy Body and Blood; that we may ever know within in ourselves the fruit of thy redemption; who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

### First reading

**Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16**

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'Do not forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrifying wilderness, with its fiery serpents and scorpions and thirsty ground where there was no water, who brought you water out of the flinty rock, who fed you in the wilderness with manna that your fathers did not know.'

### Second reading

**1 Corinthians 10:16-17**

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### ALLELUIA

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### Gospel

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Jesus said to the Jews,

'I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live for ever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.' The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' So Jesus said to them, 'Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Whoever who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on, he also will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like the bread the fathers ate and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live for ever.'

### Prayer over the Offerings

**W**E beseech thee, O Lord: that like as we in these our oblations do show forth in a mystery the unity and concord of thy Church; so thou wouldest ever mercifully bestow upon her these thy blessings; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Preface

*Of the Body and Blood of Christ*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on the day before he offered himself for us upon the altar of the Cross, poured out for all mankind the richness of his love and mercy, and from the treasury of his heart brought forth the mystery of the Eucharist: wherein the faith of them that believe is nourished, their hope increased, their love made strong, and a pledge of future glory is received. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; ever more praising thee, and saying: Holy, holy, holy &c

### Communion

*Qui manducat* (Jn 6:56)

He that eateth my Flesh and drinketh my Blood; this cup is the new covenant in my Blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. Alleluia.

**Jn 6:51**

### Postcommunion

**G**RANT, we beseech thee, O Lord: that we who in these outward pledges have been made partakers of thy most precious Body and Blood, may after this life be replenished with the fruition of thy glorious Godhead; who livest and reignest, world without end. Amen.

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## SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

The key to today's readings is the word "Covenant". A Covenant is a solemn and binding agreement between two parties, which establishes the way in which each party will behave towards the other. It establishes rights and duties, and forges a new relationship between two people or groups of people. In the Ancient World, a Covenant was always sealed with a sacrifice and a meal: the sacrifice brought divine blessing on the covenant, and the meal sealed the relationship between the participants. In the Covenant that God forged with his people in the Old Testament, it was expressed very simply: God said, "You will be my people, and I will be your God." God would remain faithful to the people, and they were to remain faithful to God (this is where the commandments come in). This Covenant was sealed in its greatest form on Mount Sinai, as we hear in the first reading. When the Old Covenant had been broken beyond repair, God sent his only Son to establish a New Covenant: the sacrifice and meal of this New Covenant is Calvary and the Last Supper, where Christ is both priest and victim and altar. When we eat and drink this sacred meal at every Mass we are renewed in the New Covenant and the relationship with God, because Calvary and the Upper Room are present once more and the New Covenant is sealed for us anew.

## The Scriptures

### First reading

**Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16**

The key word is 'remember'. Moses tells the people to remember how the Lord led them, guided them, and tested their faith. They grumbled, they moaned, and were often tempted either to look back to a golden age that never was, or to turn aside from the way in which God was guiding them. Ultimately, they were called to remember that God is faithful: he won't desert them, he will not abandon them, and will always feed them.

### Second Reading

**1 Corinthians 10:16-17**

In the Eucharist we are made one flesh with Christ. We have His life in us and have our life because of Him. This is what Paul means in today's Epistle when he calls the Eucharist a "participation" in Christ's body and blood. We become in this sacrament partakers of the divine nature. This is the mystery of the faith that Jesus asks us believe. And He gives us His promise: that, sharing in His flesh and blood that was raised from the dead, we too will be raised up on the last day.

### Gospel

**John 6:51-58**

Jesus tells the people that when they eat his flesh and drink his blood, they will remain forever connected to him. This is the mystery that is at the heart of our Eucharistic theology. In the elements of bread and wine, Jesus' Body and Blood are truly present. When we share in the Body and Blood of Christ, Jesus himself comes to dwell within us. This communion with the Lord makes us one body, brings us eternal life, and sends us forth to be Christ's Body in the world.

### SUNDAY MASS

6.00pm (Saturday Vigil), 10.30am (Solemn), 5pm

### WEEKDAY MASS

8am Tue-Fri 12.45pm Tue-Fri

### HOLYDAYS OF OBLIGATION

*As advertised.*

### CONFESSIONS

Sat 5.15-5.45pm

### SAFEGUARDING

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Diocesan policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Dr Rose Cleary, who can be contacted on [safeguarding@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcdow.org.uk).

# News & Events

**Our Website:** [www.warwickstreet.org.uk](http://www.warwickstreet.org.uk)

Please visit our website for further information about our activities, for upcoming events, to access past newsletters, or to learn about the Ordinariate!

## Corpus Christi and the Eucharistic Octave

This afternoon, the Annual Corpus Christi Procession, which involves Maiden Lane, Spanish Place, the Ordinariate of our Lady of Walsingham, & the Order of Malta, will take place. There will be adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Warwick Street from approximately 1.30pm to 3.30pm, when the Procession will continue from Warwick Street to the Ukrainian Cathedral of the Holy Family in Duke Street (a good opportunity to pray for the people of Ukraine), and to Spanish Place, where the Rt Rev. Paul Mason, *Bishop of Armed Forces*, will impart Pontifical Benediction.

## Next Saturday

Please pray for Neil Tsydor, who will be ordained to the Diaconate next week at 11.30. Please come if you are able to. There will be no 12noon Mass next week. This will resume the following week

## Portugal Day

Once again, we will be celebrating our links with the Portuguese Embassy and community. HE Nuno Brito, the Portuguese Ambassador, has confirmed that he will be attending, and we look forward to welcoming him and members of the Portuguese Community on **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June. Please make a note of the date in your diary!**

## Friday to Monday, 24<sup>th</sup>—27<sup>th</sup> July 2026: We Believe Festival

Bishop David strongly encourages us in the Ordinariate to have a significant presence at this Festival. Please see the Flyer and Poster for details, including the and QR code which enables all those who book to receive a discount. If thirty people book, the group will receive a 30% discount.

## For the Diary: 5th September—March for Life

A little way ahead, I know, but please put this in your diary. It would be good if we could have a really strong representation at this important event. Further details will be available in due course, but it is worth noting that there will be a very good turnout of Bishops, including Bishop David

Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	CORPUS & SANGUIS CHRISTI	10.30am (Solemn) 1.30-3.30pm Adoration 3.30pm Procession	People of the Parish People of the Parish	<p><b>Please pray for:</b></p> <p><b>THE SICK</b> Assumption Fernandez, Bernice Taylor, Charlie O'Donnell, Norma Skeggs, Paul</p> <p><b>FAITHFUL DEPARTED</b></p>
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Feria	NO MASS		
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	feria	12.45pm	Elizabeth Palce RIP (Anniversary)	
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	feria	No Mass		
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>St Barnabas, Apostle</b>	No Mass		
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS	12.45pm		
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	St Antony of Padua, priest <b>2nd Sunday after Trinity</b>	No 12 noon Mass today 6pm (Sunday Vigil)	People of the Parish	

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Deacons:

Rev. William Lo

## Mass Propers Saturday 6pm & Sunday 5pm

### Entrance Antiphon

**Cf. Ps 80: 17**

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

### Collect

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament  
have left us a memorial of your Passion,  
grant us, we pray,  
so to revere the sacred mysteries  
of your Body and Blood  
that we may always experience in ourselves  
the fruits of your redemption.  
Who live and reign with God the Father  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

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### Responsorial Psalm

**Psalm 147 : 12-20**

Response: O Jerusalem, glorify the LORD!

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### Prayer over the Offerings

Grant your Church, O Lord, we pray,  
the gifts of unity and peace,  
whose signs are to be seen in mystery  
in the offerings we here present.  
Through Christ our Lord.

### Communion Antiphon

**Jn 6: 57**

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

### Prayer after Communion

Grant, O Lord, we pray,  
that we may delight for all eternity  
in that share in your divine life,  
which is foreshadowed in the present age  
by our reception of your precious Body and Blood.  
Who live and reign for ever and ever.