

HOLY CROSS PRIORY CHURCH



SUNDAY 22 MAY 2016

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY – YEAR C

ITS HERE!!!! – BLACKFRIARS MARKET 21/22 MAY

This event takes place this weekend, and is our most important fundraising event of the year. We look forward to celebrating our success by raising funds together to secure the future of our buildings. Please see the various initiatives to make this a success, and continue to buy raffle tickets, tickets for Fr Isidore's raffle, and make donations.

CORPUS CHRISTI

There will be an extra Mass on Thursday at 7.15pm, sung in the Dominican Rite, for the Solemnity of Corpus Christi.

HOLY CROSS ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Rachael Powell is the latest addition to our team at Holy Cross. Her role is to support Holy Cross Church and Priory in all aspects of administration, from answering telephone calls and emails, to producing Certificates and booking special occasions. Please make contact with her on **0116 2521501** or leicester.admin@english.op.org.

MAUREEN KEATING RIP

We were sorry to learn of the death of Maureen Keating, who was such a part of the Holy Cross Family until her illness caused her to move out of our parish several months ago. Her Funeral Mass was celebrated in Whitwick last Friday. We will have our own Memorial Mass for the repose of her soul on Saturday 4 June at 12:30pm, followed by a simple reception. May she rest in peace.

SUNDAY GATHERINGS AFTER MASS

Each Sunday after 10:30am Mass we gather for tea, coffee, social time together in the Hall. Please do join us. This is an opportunity to get to know each other better, and to plan events and share ideas. It is an especially important opportunity to welcome new people to our community.



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- *TODAY, Sunday 22 May, Blackfriars Market*
- *Wednesday 1 June 7.30pm, Organ Recital given by Laurence Caldecote*
- *12 June – First Holy Communion*
- *Saturday 18 June, Big Summer Festival (including an afternoon party for young people; evening sit down buffet followed by music and dance).*

BAPTISM PREPARATION

If you wish to have your child baptised, please attend one of our baptism preparation sessions. The next is Sunday 5 June, after the 10:30am Mass in St Clement's Hall.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The next session for children and their parents will be today, following 10.30am Mass, and each week until First Communion Day. First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Sunday 12 June.

TRAFFIC AND PARKING

Please do not park on the double yellow lines on Wellington Street during Mass. It is always distressing to see parishioners having been landed with hefty fines while at Mass. Traffic Wardens are obliged to issue fines when such breaches occur.

PROCESSIONS

May brings the finer weather and also the season of processions. The May Procession, in honour of Our Lady, takes place today after the 10:30am Mass, and next Sunday, the Corpus Christi Procession at the same time. Thank you for your support.

VACANCY

The Directors at St John Fisher Catholic Voluntary Academy in Derby are looking to appoint a Headteacher from January 2017. For more information and to arrange a visit please contact Paula Harlow (Company Secretary) on p.harlow@stjohnfisher.derby.sch.uk or tel 01332 572154. Closing date is Monday 13th June at 4pm.

HALL HIRE

If you are having a party, or need a meeting place, how about hiring out any of our hall space, we offer very competitive rates. Email Rachael on leicester.admin@english.op.org for more details, or call **0116 252 1501**.

THE DOMINICAN COMMUNITY

Fr David Rocks OP PP *Prior*; Fr. Isidore Clarke OP; Fr. Fabian Radcliffe OP;
Fr. Neil Ferguson OP; Fr Thomas Crean OP; Fr Gregory Murphy OP;
Fr. Robert Gay OP CC *Subprior, Bursar*.

Office Administrator: *Mrs Rachael Powell* – leicester.admin@english.op.org
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Director of Music: *Mr Thomas Keogh* – thomas@thomaskeogh.co.uk

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For more details, visit: www.holycrossleicester.org

MASS TIMES

Sundays:

8am; 10:30am (sung);
12:30pm (old rite);
7pm

Weekdays:

8am (old rite);
12:30pm; 6:10pm

Saturdays:

8am (old rite);
10am; 12.30pm;
6:10pm Vigil Mass for Sunday

CONFESSION

Saturdays:

10:30-11:30am
5:00-6:00pm

MONEY MATTERS

Last week's collection total:

£1,081.27

(Gift aided: £416.95)

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
CONTINUED SUPPORT!**

THE LITURGY THIS WEEK



22 MAY 2016

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THIS SUNDAY – THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Entrance Antiphon:	Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.
First Reading:	Proverbs 8:22–31
Psalm +:	O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! (Ps 8)
Second Reading:	Romans 5:1–5
Alleluia:	Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: the God who is, who was, and who is to come.
Gospel:	John 16:12–15
Communion Antiphon:	Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

NEXT SUNDAY – CORPUS CHRISTI; SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (EF)

Genesis 14:18–20	1 Corinthians 11:23–26	Luke 9:11-17
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WEEKDAY MASSES (YEAR II)

Monday:	Feria
Tuesday:	Translation of Our Holy Father Dominic
Wednesday:	St Bede the Venerable, Priest & Doctor of the Church
Thursday:	St Philip Neri, Priest; CORPUS CHRISTI (EF)
Friday:	ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, BISHOP; St Bede (EF)
Saturday:	Feria



*Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy - December 8th 2015
to November 20th 2016*

THE WORD AT WORK: OUR WEEKLY REFLECTION

OUR SHARE IN GOD'S LIFE

Many of us were taught by our parents that clear and distinct definition: The Most Holy Trinity is a mystery that we are bound to believe but cannot understand. Perhaps we should just leave it at that. Simple answers are always the best kind.

It is futile to try and understand the doctrine of the Trinity. We can say some sensible and erudite things about it, but we cannot get on top of it, we can never possess or master it. But we can spend our lives in worship and awe of it. It is right that we are totally consumed by it, because it represents what God has done for us, and what he is doing in us and for us.

Our endless exploration of the mystery of the Trinity is something that should invigorate us, not something that should overpower us. God does not seek to consume us but to embrace us and be ever closer to us.

As we have been marking the Jubilee Year of Mercy, and the 800th Anniversary of our Order, many great themes have been placed before us. It has been an opportunity for personal and community reflection, a time for us to mark our achievements and our progress, but also to consider the ways in which we can grow in our faith and our ministry. We have reflected on the themes of healing and forgiveness – in the Church and in our families – and now we have an opportunity to consider how we can bring what we have shared together, guided by God's grace, to bear fruit in the lives of others. The various ways in which we can preach God's mercy and love, through solidarity with those in need and collaboration with others, is a grace-filled moment of transformation. In such moments, a glimpse of the love and tranquility, the freshness and the glory, of the Holy Trinity is revealed.

During the rest of this year, we hope to use this section of our Newsletter to reflect on some of the key themes that are brought to mind in this special year. In the next weeks, we will begin this with a series of reflections by Peter and Isidore Clarke OP on the Corporal Works of Mercy.

As the weeks progress, and our time of prayerful reflection continues, it is hoped that these reflections will inspire us with new energy, so that the mercy we are celebrating can be made known ever more widely. There is much to be done, and it would be futile to think that it will ever be complete, until we are finally at one with the Holy Trinity, and God's mercy has completed its work in us. Our opportunity to reflect on the theme of Mercy, and on the importance of our Dominican Life and Mission, still has so much to offer us. Let's build on that.

Fr David Rocks OP

