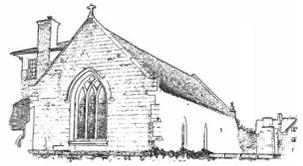


# ST MARY'S CHURCH HARVINGTON, DY10 4LR



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The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham

Whilst all churches and chapels in the Archdiocese are closed to the public in order to combat the spread of Coronavirus Fr John will celebrate Mass privately each day. Mass intentions attached to these Masses will be honoured. Please continue to request Mass intentions by email, phone call or post. Donations may be sent later.

- The **Sunday Readings and Fr John's homily** may be found by clicking the tab 'Readings & Homily' on our website.

## Times of Holy Mass and Intentions (YEAR A Readings)

<b>Sunday 14 June</b>	<b>SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST</b> The People of The Parish
<b>Monday 15 June</b>	<b>Feria in Ordinary Time</b> Mr & Mrs Gammon R.I.P.
<b>Tuesday 16 June</b>	<b>Feria in Ordinary Time</b> <b>Memorial of Richard of Chichester, Bishop</b> Dr Peter Riley R.I.P.
<b>Wednesday 17 June</b>	<b>Feria in Ordinary Time</b> Michael Millard R.I.P.
<b>Thursday 18 June</b>	<b>Feast, Dedication of St Chad's Cathedral</b> Anthony Francis-Flores R.I.P.
<b>Friday 19 June</b>	<b>SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST SACRED HEART</b> Diane Harris R.I.P.
<b>Saturday 20 June</b>	<b>Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary</b> For the intentions of Mr Bury
<b>Sunday 21 June</b>	<b>Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <i>Day for Life</i> The People of The Parish

**Anniversaries in June:** Lady Mary Yate (1696), Rev George Hartley (1806), Hugh Arbuthnott (1982), Kate Cantillon (1988), MarieTeresa Rochford (1990), Rev Lawrence Jones (1993), Mary Kumeta (1994), Rev Geoffrey Tucker (1999), James Gould (2002), Marie Teresa Shingler (2006), Michael Robinson (2008) Patrick Sharkey (2010), Kate Ludlow (2011), Terry Pearcehouse (2011), Peter Fernihough (2014), Pat Twyman (2016) Frank Collins (2019), Peter Riley (2019)

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**In your prayers please remember parishioners and friends who are sick:**  
Michael Bird, Kathleen Clark, Denis Conway, Peter Handley, Jeannie Morrison, Lucinda Robinson, Marie Packwood.

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In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of  
**Margaret Pakes**  
who died on Friday 5th June 2020  
May she Rest In Peace

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**Contributions to the Parish:**

**Weekly Offertory received for Sunday 7th June**

Gift Aid Direct Debits                      £426.00

Whilst not being able to attend St Mary's in person, parishioners who normally use Gift Aid envelopes may wish to:

- save donations in cash until we return
  - **or** write a cheque and deliver/post your donation along with the remaining Gift Aid envelopes for this financial year
  - **or** set up a standing order using the form on the Diocesan website . Download, print, complete and sign by hand then send it for the attention of Amalia Costanzo, St Mary's RC Church, Harvington Hall Lane, Harvington Worcs. DY10 4LR  
<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Handlers/Download.ashx?IDMF=90f11d7d-ebb4-4d07-b64e-9f38e324225b>
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and send it to:

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## SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

### **The History of the Feast**

The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ, popularly known as Corpus Christi, is observed in England and Wales on the Thursday following on the Solemnity of the Most Blessed Trinity. This feast is both a doctrinal and cultic response to heretical teaching on the mystery of the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist, and the crowning moment of an ardent devotional movement concentrated on the Sacrament of the Altar. It was extended to the entire Latin Church by Urban IV in 1264. Tradition Popular piety encouraged the process that led to the institution of the feast of Corpus Christi, which reciprocally inspired the development of new forms of Eucharistic piety among the people of God. For centuries, the celebration of Corpus Christi remained the principal point of popular piety's concentration on the Eucharist. In the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, faith, in reaction to various forms of Protestantism, and culture (art, folklore and literature) coalesced in developing lively and significant expressions Eucharistic devotion in popular piety.

### **Developments**

The Solemnity of Corpus Christi has inspired new forms of Eucharistic piety in the people of God, even up to our current day. Amongst these forms of piety, the Eucharistic procession which prolongs the Eucharistic celebration so that the Christian people "render unto the Blessed Sacrament a public witness of faith and veneration," is particularly noteworthy. As such, "The traditional Corpus Christi procession should be lived with particular devotion in this year. Faith in the God who, in becoming incarnate, made himself our traveling companion, should be proclaimed everywhere, particularly in our streets and amongst our houses as an expression of our grateful love, and as a fount of inexhaustible blessings" (Mane nobiscum Domine, 18). cf. Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy, 160, The Year of the Eucharist: Suggestions and Proposals, 10

<https://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Resources/HCW/Corpus/CelebratingCC.pdf>



# COMMEMORATED and CELEBRATED THIS WEEK

**Tuesday 16 June**

## **Memorial of Richard of Chichester, Bishop**

Richard was born in Droitwich, Worcestershire c.1197 and was appointed Bishop of Chichester in 1244 against the wishes of the monarch, Henry III. He was both hard-working and charitable. He is said to have dropped the chalice while celebrating Mass which miraculously remained unspilled. In art he is often depicted with a chalice at his feet.



The mosaics of The Church of the Sacred Heart and St Catherine of Alexandria in Droitwich (designed by Gabriel Pippet and carried out by the mosaicists Maurice Josey and Fred Oates) include a series of seven panels showing the story of St. Richard de Wyche. One of the panels shown below pictures him on his return to Droitwich to bless and so revive the salt springs.

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**Thursday 18 June**

## **Feast, Dedication of St Chad's Cathedral**

The Mother church of the Diocese was designed by AW Pugin. It was the first Catholic cathedral to be built in England since the reformation. It was opened on 21 June 1841. It became a metropolitan cathedral in 1911 and a minor basilica in 1941.

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**Saturday 20 June**

## **Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary**

This commemoration celebrates Mary as the model of ready acceptance of God's will in all life's circumstances.



Friday 19 June

## SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST SACRED HEART



Pompeo Batoni: *Sacro cuore di Gesù* ("Sacred Heart of Jesus"), painting on the altar in the northern side chapel of Il Gesù in Rome, 1767

Devotion to the Sacred Heart is one of the most widely practiced and well-known devotions, taking Jesus Christ's physical heart as the representation of his divine love for humanity.

The devotion especially emphasizes the unmitigated love, compassion, and long-suffering of the heart of Christ towards humanity. The origin of this devotion in its modern form is derived from a Roman Catholic nun in France, Marguerite Marie Alacoque, who said she learned the devotion from Jesus during some apparitions occurred between 1673 and 1675, and later, in the 19th century, from the mystical revelations of another Roman

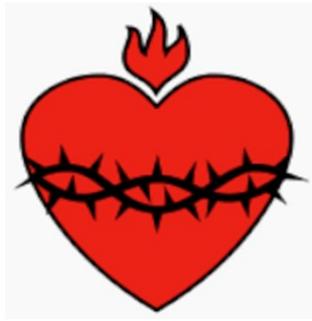
Catholic nun, in Portugal, Mary of the Divine Heart, countess Droste zu Vischering, who requested that Pope Leo XIII consecrate the entire world to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

In the Roman Catholic tradition, the Sacred Heart has been closely associated with Acts of Reparation to Jesus Christ. In his encyclical *Miserentissimus Redemptor*, Pope Pius XI stated: "the spirit of expiation or reparation has always had the first and foremost place in the worship given to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus". The Golden Arrow Prayer directly refers to the Sacred Heart.

The Sacred Heart is often depicted in Christian art as a flaming heart shining with divine light, pierced by the lance-wound, encircled by the crown of thorns, surmounted by a cross and bleeding. Sometimes the image is shown shining within the bosom of Christ with his wounded hands pointing at the heart. The wounds and crown of thorns allude to the manner of Jesus' death, while the fire represents the transformative power of divine love.

The Feast of the Sacred Heart has been in the Roman Catholic liturgical calendar since 1856 and is celebrated 19 days after Pentecost. As Pentecost is always celebrated on Sunday, the Feast of the Sacred Heart always falls on a Friday.

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/holloway/sacred-heart-of-jesus/>



## MARYVALE SACRED HEART NOVENA

All are invited to join online for the Annual Novena to the Sacred Heart at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart at Maryvale Institute. There will be a Mass, Sermon and Novena live streamed each evening at **8pm from Thursday 11 June to Friday 19 June 2020** (Feast of the Sacred Heart).

Archbishop Bernard Longley will be celebrating Mass on **Sunday 21 June at 11am** (on the day the 'physical' Pilgrimage would have taken place). It will be live streamed from St Chad's Cathedral.



Full details, and how to access each event, are available on the Diocesan website: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/join-online-maryvale-sacred-heart-novena> and Maryvale Institute website: <https://www.maryvale.ac.uk/novena-2020.html>