

ST MARY IMMACULATE, WARWICK ST CHARLES BORROMEIO, HAMPTON ON THE HILL

**Corpus Christi
14 June 2020**



Jules Breton *The Blessing of the Wheat in Artois* 1857 Musee des Beaux-Arts, Arras, France

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MASS TIMES



		St Mary Immaculate	St Charles Borromeo
Sun 14	Corpus Christi	11am <i>Pro Populo</i>	10am <i>Special int.</i>
Mon 15	feria	7.30am <i>Noreen James</i>	9am <i>PMF int.</i>
Tue 16	St Richard of Chichester	7.30am <i>Carol Watt</i>	10am <i>PMF int.</i>
Wed 17	feria	7.30am <i>Dale Concannon</i>	10am <i>Private int.</i>
Thu 18	Dedication of St Chad's Cathedral		9am <i>Fr John J. Hughes RIP</i>
Fri 19	Sacred Heart of Jesus	7.30am <i>Jesus Cabrera</i>	10am <i>PMF int.</i>
Sat 20	Immaculate Heart of Mary	10am <i>William Carr</i>	10am <i>Private int.</i>
Sun 21	Twelfth Sunday of the Year	11am <i>Pro Populo</i>	10am <i>Private int.</i>

Parishioners' Reflections

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. Philip Batt

You will recall that Jesus was crucified between 2 thieves. One of them started to torment him saying that, if you are the Christ, why don't you save yourself and us too. But the other 'good' thief (named Dismas according to the Gospel of Nicodemus) rebuked him telling him that we (the two thieves) were getting no more than we deserved whereas Jesus has done nothing wrong. This showed an awareness of his own sinfulness, the first step to true repentance. He asked Jesus to remember him when he came into his kingdom.

We don't know exactly what sort of kingdom Dismas thought was coming, probably not the Jewish idea of a Messiah leading them into battle against the Romans. He must have been thinking of something involving life after death. Jesus, no doubt in terrible pain, tells him "I promise you that this day you will be with me in Paradise" And thus Dismas becomes the only person canonised before death.

I take great heart from this exchange. Whatever the circumstances and whatever we do, Jesus is always ready to welcome us into his kingdom.

GENERAL NOTICES

Coronavirus: During this time please don't hesitate to call / email / leave a message if there's anything I can do to help or to pray for. *Fr Patrick*

Church reopening: Please see the Homepage of the parish websites for information. We need permission from the diocese for reopening after a risk assessment has been carried out. We need pairs of volunteers for both churches so that we can establish at what times the doors can be open for private prayer.

Bible Alive Subscription: For many years several of us have subscribed to Bible Alive, a magazine that gives the bible references for each day's Mass readings, a short homily and a few articles pertinent to our faith. As there are more than 5 of us we have a reduction to £25.00 a year. The subscription starts on 1st July. Would you like to join us? If you would like to see one first I can arrange it. Claire@philipandclaireharris.uk

Maryvale Sacred Heart Novena All are invited to join online for the Annual Novena to the Sacred Heart at Maryvale Institute. *There will be live streaming each evening at 8pm from Thurs 11 June - Fri 19 June (Feast of the Sacred Heart).*

The Archbishop will be celebrating Mass on Sun 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 (and Maryvale Institute website)

<https://www.maryvale.ac.uk/novena-2020.html>

Gift Aid Thanks for all the donations via the Paypal button on the St Mary Immaculate website. About 50% of these are gift aid so the church receives 25% extra from the government for everything you have given. Just to clarify the gift aid rules, you no longer have to promise a regular payment. Your payment can be one-off, two-off, three-off etc. If any of the remaining 50%

are taxpayers, please do consider becoming a gift aider. You just have to sign a short form which can be downloaded from the website or which the office can email to you. It can be back dated to cover your donation.

A second point about gift aid is that it's personal to you. 8 of our recent donations have come from wives/ husbands of people who gift aid. The rules don't let them donate on their spouse's behalf. If this applies to you, and you pay tax, please do complete a gift aid form.

Parishioners Reflections: Please send in a reflection, as part of our Year of the Word efforts, on your favourite passage of Scripture.

Church Lighting: The new lighting for the church will soon be underway, pending approval from the diocese and the council. The heating should follow shortly after and painting and decoration after that. At some point parishioners will be able to enter too!

Prayers: Please keep in your prayers all our parishioners who work in the hospital, those who have lost their jobs, those who are sick, those who are feeling lonely & frightened in this period of isolation and those who have to die alone without their loved ones.

Foodbank: Please remember that there are Foodbank collection boxes in the supermarkets and that the needs of those who use foodbanks are greater than ever.

Stained glass windows: have a look at our new feature in the Gallery section of the website

Improvement to West Street: visit <https://wccroadsafetyengineering.wordpress.com/> and see post dated 9 June 2020

Lately dead: Jesus Cabrera, Dale Concannon, Kathleen Bethell, Steve Amos, Dorothy Richardson. May they rest in peace.

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Offertory	During May - envelopes and cash donations £1574.43. PayPal donations £2182.	One-off donations since Lockdown: £605
Average Weekly Standing orders	£256	£247
Coffee	Suspended for the time being.	Suspended for the time being.
Sick & Housebound	June Amos, Philip Batt, Theresa Mary Bicknell, Christopher Browne. Elizabeth Coleman, Wendy & John Fitzpatrick-Ellis, Annie Gleason, Anne Gunthorpe, Graham Hardwick, Eva Hyland, Susan and Roger James, Paul Kerr, Catherine McCarthy, Liam McLaughlin, Christina and Gordon McClean, Sheila Millard, Bernadette Narain, Chris Nichols, Kathleen O'Connor, Agnes Pauling, Sam Rosam, Peter Schmidt, Arlene Slinn, Margaret Thornton, Ron Thumbwood, Betty Walters, Elizabeth Weston, Win Wigner.	Aidan Harris, Monica Hermolle, Catherine Parker, Christine Underhill, Eddie Unitt, Janina Woods. <i>Your prayers are asked for all the sick in our parishes: at home, care home, hospital, hospice</i>
Draw	200 Club winners: 1 st Anne O'Rourke, 2 nd & 3 rd Helen Webb, Jim McClarnon	St Charles Tote a monthly draw with cash prizes. £2 per month. To join please see Nina Woods.
7 Day Candles	Dorothy, Patrick and Dorothy	FHL int. for June: the work of FHL, the team in the UK & in the Holy Land



Dedication of St Chad's Cathedral

The Cathedral of St Chad was built by Bishop Thomas Walsh, Vicar Apostolic of the Midland District, and designed by Augustus Welby Pugin. The first stone was laid on 29 October 1839 and the Cathedral was opened and consecrated on 21 June 1841. It was the first Catholic Cathedral built in England since the Reformation and it became the principal church of the Diocese of Birmingham when Pope Pius IX restored the English Hierarchy in 1850. In 1911 St Chad's became a Metropolitan Cathedral when the Province of Birmingham was created by St Pius X with Birmingham as its Archbishopric. The Cathedral was created a Minor Basilica by Pius XII on the occasion of its centenary in 1941.