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## The Church of Our Most Holy Redeemer and Saint Thomas More Cheyne Row, Chelsea



St Cuthbert Mayne and St Thomas Thwing

## Newsletter 24 October 2021

## 24 October: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tuesday: St Chad and St Cedd Thursday: St Simon and St Jude

Friday: The Blessed Martyrs of Douai College. In 1568 William Allen founded the English College in Douai. It was one of the first seminaries, and from there missionary priests entered England covertly, to minister to those remaining Catholic and to attempt re-conversion. For a Catholic priest to be in England was high treason, with the penalty being execution by being hanged, drawn and quartered. Over 300 Douai priests went to England, and by the end of the 16<sup>th</sup> century more than 130 (mainly secular clergy) are known to have been executed, the first being St Cuthbert Mayne in 1577. Many more were imprisoned and nearly 160 banished back to the continent. The college was granted a special privilege of singing a solemn Mass of thanksgiving each time news reached them of another martyrdom of a Douai priest.

### **MASS TIMES**

Monday to Friday 8.00am, Saturday 10.00am Saturday (Vigil Mass) 6.30pm Sunday 10.00am, 11.00am, 12.15pm, 6.30pm

**Confession** – Saturday 5.30 to 6.00pm or by appointment.

**Morning Prayer** – Monday to Friday 7.45am

Saturday 9.45am, Sunday 9.30am

Evening Prayer – Saturday and Sunday 6.00pm

**Newly arrived in the parish** – Please complete the Parish Registration Form, available at our website: holyredeemerchelsea.com.

Mobile Phones – Please turn off all phones before entering the church.

**Donations to the Parish** can be made via: HSBC, Sort code: 40-05-20, Account no:91094386 Account name: Holy Redeemer Church, Chelsea.

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#### KEEP SAFE AND PLEASE REMEMBER

HANDS – Use sanitiser

FACE – Wear a mask, good for you and for others
WIPES – Please use wipes to sanitise surfaces

#### **SYNOD 2023**

Cardinal Vincent Nichols, in a recent Pastoral Letter encouraged us to join in the worldwide Synodal process, launched by Pope Francis in preparation for the Synod in 2023. Synod simply means 'journeying together'. The Holy Father is inviting us to listen deeply to one another and to discern what God is saying to the Church about how we 'journey together'. In our own synodal pathway, within our parishes and communities in the Diocese of Westminster, we are united with every diocese across the world. After national and continental gatherings, the Synod of Bishops will gather in Rome in 2023 to reflect on what has been heard. We will begin in this parish with a meeting on 16 November at 7.00pm, in the Monckton Room. If you wish to find out more, please have a look at the Westminster Diocese website: rcdow.org.uk/synod

#### DIOCESAN MASS FOLLOWING THE PANDEMIC

On 7 November at 5.30 pm Bishop John Sherrington will celebrate Mass at Westminster Cathedral, for all those who have died during the pandemic, all who mourn them, all who have been bereaved or traumatised, those who were ill and those who cared for them, including all in the medical profession and care workers. All are welcome to this Mass, especially doctors, nurses, care workers and all health care professionals.

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

If you wish to arrange for Mass to be celebrated for a particular intention, please contact the Parish Office.

## RESPONSE TO AFGHAN REFUGEES

Caritas Westminster is co-ordinating the diocese's response to refugees newly arrived from Afghanistan. In particular they are looking for:
Anyone who can help find accommodation, including homes for large families. Speakers of Pashtu, Dari or Farsi who could help with interpretations. Teachers of English (ESOL). Co-ordinated groups of volunteers who can welcome and befriend Afghans arriving in your area.

The response will need to be well coordinated and you will need to work with your local authority. Please contact Caritas Westminster Volunteer Service if you or the organisation you are involved in might be able to help: go to caritasvs.org.uk/volunteer-tosupport-afghan-refugees.php or email cvs@rcdow.org.uk

# CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY CHRISTMAS CARDS

The Catholic Children's Society brings God's message of hope and love to disadvantaged children and families. Purchasing their cards, which depict the Christmas message, is one way of showing your support for this important work. For details of designs and to buy, see cathchild.org.uk

#### **ABORTION ACT**

Wednesday 27 October is the 54<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Abortion Act being passed in England and Wales. Since 1967 over nine million babies have lost their lives to abortion. Millions of women and men have also had to deal with the suffering which so often follows an abortion. Please join in praying and fasting for the end of abortion in this country on Wednesday 27 October. For Post Abortion help and to support Pro-Life counselling see; GoodCounselNetwork.com

#### CATHOLIC TEACHERS

The Diocese of Westminster Education Service is hosting an evening to engage with Catholic teachers currently working outside Catholic education on 23 November from 6.00pm to 7.30pm. It will provide help about how best to prepare for a role in a Catholic school and an opportunity to meet with current Catholic school leaders. There will also be an opportunity to register for a mentoring programme which will support those on their journey into Catholic education. To book, visit courses.rcdow.org.uk/event/calling -all-catholic-teachers-event-23rdnovember-2021/