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**The Church of Our Most Holy Redeemer
and St. Thomas More
Cheyne Row, Chelsea**



Newsletter 20th December 2021

CHRISTMAS WEEK MASS TIMES

Monday to Thursday 8.00am

Christmas Eve 6.30pm, 12midnight

Christmas Day 9.00am, 10.00am, 11.00am, 12.15pm

Please remember to notify the Parish Office in advance

Saturday 26th December - St Stephen (Boxing Day) 10.00am

Vigil of Sunday 6.30pm

Sunday 27th December 9.00am, 10.00am, 11.00am, 12.15pm, 6.30pm

Monday to Thursday 10.00am

New Year's Day – Mary, the Mother of God 10.00am

PARISH INFORMATION

Confession - To make an appointment, please contact the Parish Priest

Morning Prayer – Monday 21st to Thursday 24th 7.45am

Monday 28th to Friday 1st 9.45am,

Saturday 9.45am

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.

The Rectory – 7 Cheyne Row, London SW3 5HS

Parish Priest – Canon Paschal Ryan

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Parish Administrator – Andrew Bebko

Monday - Friday 9.30am - 1.30pm

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THIS PARISH IS PART OF THE WESTMINSTER ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE TRUST CHARITY NO. 233699

PLACES AT MASS

Given the need to comply with current Covid-19 restrictions, the number of people who can attend Mass here is significantly reduced. It is most important that parishioners contact the Parish Administrator to notify him which Mass they would like to attend. It may not be possible to admit to the church everyone who would like to attend Mass.

LIVE STREAMED MASS

Those who are unable to attend Mass may wish to follow the festive celebrations from any one of a number of churches who live stream Mass. A selection may be found online at churchservices.tv

PARISH NEWSLETTER

This Newsletter is available online at holyredeemerchelsea.com

If you would like to receive this newsletter each week, please send your email address to the Parish Administrator at chelsea2@rcdow.org.uk

SVP “VINNIE PACKS”

The SVP (St Vincent de Paul Society) have assembled nearly 12,000 packs for the homeless and have distributed them throughout England and Wales. Each Vinnie Pack contains a thermal hat, thermal gloves two pairs of thermal socks, toothpaste, toothbrush, wet wipes, Pavement magazine, pen and information sheet and 5,000 of the packs have a reusable face mask included. The contents of each Vinnie Pack cost around £3.50 and donations to sponsor packs would be most welcome. Donations can be transferred to **SVP Vinnie Packs, a/c: 46088237 sort code: 60-60-04** or cheques made out to SVP can be sent to **Vinnie Packs, PO Box 72264, London SW1P 9EZ.**

FOOD FOR THE HOMELESS

If you wish to donate food, please bring non-perishable items in packets or tins to the church during the time the church is open for Mass, or to the Rectory. It will be distributed by Glass Door, a local charity helping those who are homeless. To find out about their work: glassdoor.org.uk

MAGNIFICAT

“Magnificat” is a monthly selection of Bible readings, prayers and reflections. The December and January issues are available from the Sacristy or from the Rectory, price £4.99. If you cannot come to pick up a copy, please let the Parish Office know and we will post it to you.

“DOUBLE THE LOVE”

Until 31st January, donations to Mary’s Meals will be matched by the UK government, up to £2 million. Mary’s Meals feeds thousands of children every day and so enables them to receive an education. An amazing initiative that grew out of a life of faith and a personal decision to do something. How many thousands of meals do they provide? – see marysmeals.org.uk The answer may both surprise you and encourage you. For if this initiative started so simply, yet achieved so much; what can I do?

FOOD BANK CLUB

St Luke’s Church in Sydney Street and Mutual Aid have teamed up to provide Food Bank Club members with access to subsidised healthy fresh fruits and vegetables through the winter season for a voluntary donation of just £5 per visit. Tuesday 12noon to 2.00pm. For information see mutualaidkc.com/foodbank-club

QR CODE – The posters in the church porch with a matrix barcode, an array of black and white squares, display our QR (Quick Response) code. In combination with the NHS app, this code works as part of the Test and Trace system for combatting the spread of the coronavirus Covid-19. Those with the NHS app on their phones may prefer to use this, rather than leaving your details with us.

COMING TO MASS:

Parishioners are kindly requested to notify in advance the Parish Administrator which Sunday Mass they wish to attend. We need to maintain the flow of people entering church, avoiding queues, or social distancing becomes a problem. However, if you cannot contact the Parish Office, you are still most welcome to come to Mass, though on arrival you will be asked to give your name and contact number/ email address or use the QR code.

KEEPING THE CHURCH

SAFE: We are blessed in having a group of volunteers who act as stewards during Mass and then sanitise the pews and kneelers after every service. We need more people to help with this vital work. If you are a parishioner, aged 18 to 70 and not clinically vulnerable, please consider whether you could give a hand. To volunteer or get more information, please contact Charles McFarland 020 8767 7132 or cpmm@hotmail.co.uk

AID TO THE CHURCH

Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) is an international charity helping suffering and persecuted Christians in a number of countries around the world. If you like to find out more about their work see: acnuk.org