

**PARISH OF THE SACRED HEART
AND ST.MARGARET MARY, EAST DEREHAM, NORFOLK**

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JUNE 22nd 2014 : THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6.0pm Int. For the People
Sunday 9.0am Int. +Philip Todd
11.0am Int. +Sidney Carter

The Mass today The readings can be found on p.83 of the Parish Mass Book, and on p.822 of The Sunday Missal.

Weekday Masses

Monday ST.ETHELDREDA
10.0am Int.
Tuesday SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY
OF ST.JOHN THE BAPTIST
10.0am Int. John Perkins (VB)
Wednesday FERIA
10.0am Int.
Thursday FEAST OF THE DEDICATION
OF THE CATHEDRAL
No services today
Friday SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST
SACRED HEART OF JESUS
7.30pm Int. +Freda Wilkes
Saturday THE IMMACULATE HEART OF
MARY
10.30am Int.
6.0pm Int. For the People

At the 6.0pm Mass	Eucharistic Prayer 2
<i>Sanctus & Benedictus</i>	Schubert
Hymns	(<i>Angelus</i>) 663, 662
At the 9.0am Mass	Eucharistic Prayer 3
<i>Sanctus & Benedictus</i>	Schubert
Hymns	601, 663, 627
At the 11.0am Mass	Eucharistic Prayer 2
<i>Gloria</i>	Sacred Heart
<i>Sanctus & Benedictus</i>	Schubert
Hymns	602, 644, 627, 246 (Proc.)

The Psalm Response for all of the Masses is printed at the bottom of the page.

This Sunday the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before Mass will precede the 9.0am Mass. Next Sunday, it will take place before the 11.0am Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 5.30pm, or by appointment.

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday 10.30am; Benediction at 11.0am.

The Rosary No Rosary on Friday this week.

The Divine Office

The Office is said a quarter of an hour before the Mass on Weekdays. This week we use Psalter Week 4

CORPUS CHRISTI

Today (Saturday)

**6.0pm The Mass of Exposition
followed by the all-night Watch before the
Blessed Sacrament, ending just before the
9.0am Mass. Please take part in this.**

**11.0am The Mass will be followed by our
CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION
in honour of Our Lord Jesus Christ
present in the Blessed Sacrament**

CORPUS CHRISTI

This afternoon (Sunday)

THE DEANERY COPUS CHRISTI EVENT

3.0pm at Oxburgh Hall, near Swaffham

at which the Bishop will preside

Free tickets for the grounds (NT)

available at the back of Church

THIS WEEK

Monday 7.30pm Queen of Peace Prayer Group, at the Presbytery. All welcome.

Friday 11.30am Fr.John blesses the new Centenary Wood at the Swaffham Convent.

Saturday 10.30am-11.30am Saturday Club, for children aged five to twelve. No First Holy Communion Parents meeting this week, as Fr.John has to con-celebrate at the Swaffham Sisters Centenary Mass at Noon.

Next Sunday is the Solemnity of St.Peter and St.Paul

Next Friday

SOLEMNITY OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Our Feast of Title

**Mass at 7.30pm (no 10.0am today)
followed by devotions at the Statue
and refreshments at the Presbytery**

PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries Tony Harmer (2010 – correction), Mary Rush (2009), John Frizzell (2009), Michael Howard (1996), John Zuhlke (2009), Barry McGrath (2012), and Fernando Sentieiro (2003). May they Rest in Peace.

Money Matters Last Sunday, £497.99 was given at the Offertory, and a further £93.36 in the retiring collection, which was for the Catholic Trust for England and Wales. Next week there will be the Peter's Pence collection.

UCM Cake Stall Update Mary Shutt writes 'The cake stall last weekend, June 14th/15th, raised £91.50. This will go towards the UCM charities. Many thanks to all concerned.'

UCM Brenda May writes 'UCM invites all members of the parish to come with us on

Thursday June 26th to visit the delightful garden Dunbheagan, Dereham Road,, Westfield NR19 1QF at 2.0pm, or 1.40pm at the church, if you need or can offer transport. From the Shipdham Raod, turn left into School Lane, then turn right at the end and continue down the lane. Dunbheagan is the last bungalow on the left before the woodland. £6.0 per person, which includes tea and homemade cake.'

HAVE YOU GOT YOUR ANSWER READY?

2 : *'HOW CAN YOU POSSIBLY BELIEVE THAT BREAD AND WINE BECOME THE BODY AND BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST?'*

Yes, the Catholic agrees, it is extraordinary. Which means beyond, outside, the ordinary. It is something which only God could bring about. It is not the kind of thing which happens in everyday life and experience. But we believe that Jesus Christ IS God – God the Son. And therefore that nothing is beyond his ability to bring about.

How this happens is a mystery, one of the great mysteries of our Faith, along with how God is both Three and One, and how God took a human nature from the Virgin Mother. Things beyond our human power of comprehension. But in our Faith we are dealing not with Man but with God, and so we expect things to be above and beyond our human powers of understanding.

But if the 'how' is incomprehensible to us, the 'why' is clear : the risen, living, Lord, wanted a tangible means by which He could always be close to his greatly-loved people ; a means by which he could nourish their souls, and unite them ever more closely to himself. For this means, he chose the Blessed Sacrament of his Body and Blood : bread and wine becoming his true self, so that he could come close, and indeed enter into his people. Food and drink mean both nourishment and pleasure 'Bread for our strength, Wine for our joy', as the hymn says. This is the way he chose. But can it be true? Well listen to what Jesus says in today's Gospel 'For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me, and I live in him.' Ultimately, it all comes down to having faith in Jesus, in his words and his actions. Through faith, we accept what he says, and know it to be true, however strange it may sound.