

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, 6th/7th June 2026

We welcome all to today's Mass, especially visitors who are celebrating with us for the first time. Please take this bulletin home with you for further reflection on this week's celebration and to follow the activities in the Parish during the week.

REFLECTION

ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, *Corpus Christi*. This feast reminds us that the Eucharist is far more than a meal; it is Christ giving Himself completely for our salvation and eternal life.

Through the miracle of the loaves and the gift of the Eucharist, Jesus continues to nourish His people. In the Gospel of John, He also teaches us that true communion leads to service, symbolized by the washing of the disciples' feet and His command: "Love one another as I have loved you."

When we bring bread and wine to the altar, we bring our whole lives—our joys and sorrows, hopes and struggles. The Eucharist unites us with Christ and with one another, strengthening us to live in faith, love, and service.

As St. Paul reminds us: "Though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf." May the Eucharist deepen our unity with God and with one another. **Fr Nat**

Mass Times & Intentions: 6th June 2026 — 14 June 2026

Sat. 6th. 6:30pm: Frank Greene (R.I.P)

Sun. 7th. 8.30am: Michael Egan (4th R.I.P) Egan Family (Deceased Members) 10:00am: Simone & Tim (10 years Wedding Ann Thanksgiving, Blessings on their Daughter Anjes) 11.30am: Alex Lobow (God's Blessing, long life, good health and private intentions).

Mon. 8th. 9:30am: Frances Greene (R.I.P)

Tue. 9th. 9:30am: Frances Greene (R.I.P)

Wed. 10th. 9:30am: Junior Ryan Coleman (R.I.P)

Thur. 11th. 9:30am: Nellie O'Donnell (R.I.P)

Fri. 12th. 9:30am: Lindsey De Paul (R.I.P)

Sat. 13th. 9:30am:Darren Augustin (Heavenly Birthday R.I.P)

Sat. 13th. 6:30pm: Chief Livinus James Ekeocha (Good health and Wellbeing)

Sun. 14th. 8.30am: 10:00am: Alex Lobow (God's Blessing, long life, good health and private intentions)

The SICK: Esta Joseph, Rosa Sanctos, Annie O'Kane, Aggrey Michael Davis, Peter Carey, Peter Ag-eyman, Mario Despiso, Fr. Morty, Joshua Twagira, Darabela Edmund, Margaret Pain, Juliana Charles, Audreh Khan, Ephraim Aluebhosele, Gwen Randall, Chinyere Oburota, Patrick Akanya, Kathy Lan- gridge, Patricia Wocial & Maxine Leech. **ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:** Christopher



Keen, Margaret Nash, Denis Webster, Marco Farina, Eileen Coe, Veronique Harper, Grace Nash, Margaret Williams, Annie Bradley, Christen Ambrose, Jay Prempeh – Marfo, Mabel Franklin, Thandine Ghanney, Maude O'Sullivan, Garry Parris, Dorothy O'Brien, Mathew Enamejewa, Susanne Kilcoyne, Lawrence Simco, Michael Martin & Grace Dwyer.

Parish is served by the Congregation of the Holy Spirit (Spiritans)

Parish Priests: Fr. Nathaniel Ewusi CSSp, Fr. Christian Enechukwu CSSp.

Parish Deacon: Rev William Dunphy.

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Pastorals/Devotions: Confessions Saturday 11.30am –12noon, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament everyday from 9.00am - 9.30am. Tuesday 10am—11am. **Legion of Mary:** Tuesday 7pm.

Gentle reminders: Please turn off your mobile phones. You have the right to remain silent



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St. Mary Magdalen Roman Catholic Church, Brockley

TODAY'S READINGS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Cf. Ps 80: 17 He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

GLORIA: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER: O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a Moses spoke to the people: You shall remember the whole way that the Lord your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord. Do not forget the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrifying wilderness, with its fiery serpents and scorpions and thirsty ground where there was no water, who brought you water out of the flinty rock, who fed you in the wilderness with manna that your fathers did not know.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 147: 12-13. 14-15. 19-20. R12a
O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord!

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O Sion, praise your God!

He has strengthened the bars of your gates;
he has blessed your children within you. **R**

He established peace on your borders;
he gives you your fill of finest wheat.

He sends out his word to the earth,
and swiftly runs his command. **R**

He reveals his word to Jacob;
to Israel, his decrees and judgements.
He has not dealt thus with other nations;
he has not taught them his judgements. **R**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 10:16-17 Brothers and Sisters: The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sequence: Sequence Lauda, Sion Sing forth, O Zion, sweetly sing The praises of thy Shepherd-King, In hymns and canticles divine; Dare all thou canst, thou hast no song Worthy his praises to prolong, So far surpassing powers like thine. Today no theme of common praise Forms the sweet burden of thy lays – The living, life-dispensing food – That food which at the sacred board Unto the brethren twelve our Lord His parting legacy bestowed. Then be the anthem clear and strong, Thy fullest note, thy sweetest song, The very music of the breast: For now shines forth the day sublime That brings remembrance of the time When Jesus first his table blessed. Within our new King's banquet-hall They meet to keep the festival That closed the ancient paschal rite: The old is by the new replaced; The substance hath the shadow chased; And rising day dispels the night. Christ willed what he himself had done Should be renewed while time should run, In memory of his parting hour: Thus, tutored in his school divine, We consecrate the bread and wine; And lo – a Host of saving power. This faith to Christian men is given – Bread is made flesh by words from heaven: Into his blood the wine is turned: What though it baffles nature's powers Of sense and sight? This faith of ours Proves more than nature e'er discerned. Concealed beneath the two-fold sign, Meet symbols of the gifts divine, There lie the mysteries adored: The living body is our food; Our drink the ever-precious blood; In each, one undivided Lord. Not he that eateth it divides The sacred food, which whole abides Unbroken still, nor knows decay; Be one, or be a thousand fed, They eat alike that living bread Which, still received, ne'er wastes away. The good, the guilty share therein, With sure increase of grace or sin, The ghostly life, or ghostly death: Death to the guilty; to the good Immortal life. See how one food Man's joy or woe accomplisheth. We break the Sacra-

ment, but bold And firm thy faith shall keep its hold,
Deem not the whole doth more enfold Than in the frac-
tured part resides Deem not that Christ doth broken lie,
'Tis but the sign that meets the eye, The hidden deep
reality In all its fullness still abides.

Gospel Acclamation John 6:51 Alleluia, alleluia. I am
the living bread that came down from heaven, says the
Lord. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live for ever.
Alleluia.

GOSPEL: John 6:51-58 At that time: Jesus said to the
Jews, 'I am the living bread that came down from heav-
en. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live for ever. And
the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my
flesh.' The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying,
'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' So Jesus said
to them, 'Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the
flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have
no life in you. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my
blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last
day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true
drink. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood
abides in me, and I in him. As the living Father sent me,
and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on
me, he also will live because of me. This is the bread that
came down from heaven, not like the bread the fathers
ate, and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live for
ever.'

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.
All: Praise be to you Lord Jesus Christ.

T H E N I C E N E C R E E D :
I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of
heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I be-

lieve in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of
God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God,
Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten,
not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him
all things were made. For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was
incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our
sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered
death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in
accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heav-
en and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will
come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and
his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spir-
it, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Fa-
ther and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is
adored and glorified, who has spoken through the
prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic
Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of
sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer over the Offerings: Grant your Church, O Lord,
we pray, the gifts of unity and peace, whose signs are to
be seen in mystery in the offerings we here present.
Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon: Jn 6: 57 Whoever eats my
flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him,
says the Lord.

Prayer after Communion: Grant, O Lord, we pray, that
we may delight for all eternity in that share in your divine
life, which is foreshadowed in the present age by our re-
ception of your precious Body and Blood. Who live and
reign for ever and ever.

• Parish Prayer •

God our Father, we give you thanks and praise for calling us to share in the fullness of life and love that
Jesus won for us.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon our parish community. Changed by your Spirit may we become a com-
munity of disciples, attentive to the needs of all who come through our doors, and even those who
don't.

We pray for your blessing upon every person in our parish community, and on all who live in and around
our parish.

May they know your love, your presence, and your power in their lives.

For all who are struggling at this moment, we ask that you enter their lives and lift them.

May our parish become a place of adoration, where the hungry are fed, the sick are healed, the bereaved
are comforted, and all are made whole.

Soften our hearts to your will. Make us open to what you desire to do in and through our parish, and give
us the courage and strength to follow your call.

We make this prayer in Jesus' name.

Amen.

Saint Mary Magdalen, pray for us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to Simone and Tim as they celebrate their 10th wedding anniversary! May God continue to bless their union with love, joy, and happiness. May He also watch over and bless their daughter, Anjes, with good health, wisdom, and a bright future. Wishing your family many more years of love and togetherness. Happy Anniversary!

The second collection this weekend is for the Parish development fund. Thanks for your kindness.

Confirmation Day: Our confirmands will be confirmed by Canon Victor Darlington on Sunday 28th June at 11.30 Mass. Confirmation Celebration in the hall after Mass to 4pm, provided by the parents.

Young Adult Mass with Archbishop John

St. George's Cathedral Young Adults invites young adults from across the Archdiocese to a Mass celebrated by Archbishop John Wilson. ☐ Confessions available during Mass ☐ Social afterwards

☐ A chance to meet the Archbishop, other young adults, and grow in faith together. Sunday 7th June ☐ 6pm ☐ St George's Cathedral, Lambeth Road, London SE1 6HR . Young adults (18-35) very welcome. Bring a friend!

Young Adults Concert: The concert is organized by the Spiritan Religious Order Youth Ministry. The concert will take place on 24th October, from 10.00am to 5pm at St

Mellitus RC, Tollington Park, N4 3AG. This is an exciting event, which includes adoration, worship and fun activities. It's a great opportunity to meet other young adults from all the Spiritan Parishes in UK. Please contact Fr Christian, Nevin or Sooria for further details.

Lectio Divina Prayer Group: The next Lectio Divina Prayer Group will take place on **Wednesday 17th June** from 7pm to 8pm in the church. Everyone welcome.

Visiting the sick: If you are aware of any parishioner who is sick, housebound or in a nursing home, please give their name to one of the clergy or send an email to the Parish office.

Confession: Confession is available every Saturday from 11.00am to 12 noon at the presbytery.

Hall rental: Please contact Fr. Nat or Fr. Christian for fees and availability.

Tea and Coffee: There is tea and coffee in the small hall, (access through the gate to the left of the church), after 10am and 11.30am Mass. Everyone is welcome.

Masses can be booked by telephone on 020 86911322, or by email at brockley@rcaos.org.uk. Mass offerings can be made online to the parish account.. Account name: RCAS Brockley, NatWest, Account Number: 79143962, Sort code 605001

'No Christian can regard the poor simply as a societal problem; they are part of our 'family'.' Pope Leo XIV

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