



OUR LADY OF DOLOURS SERVITE CHURCH

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Most Holy Trinity Sunday

(Year A)

11th June 2017

Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon – Thur 9am to 5pm

(Lunch Hour 1.30pm – 2.30pm)

Mass Times

Vigil Mass: Sat 6.30 pm

Sunday 8.30 am

10 am

(Spanish) 11.15 am

12.15 pm

7 pm

Mon - Sat 10 am

6.30pm

Sacrament of Confession

Mon - Thurs 6.15 – 6.30 pm

Saturday 10.45 – 11.15 am

6.00 – 6.30 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Mon – Thur 10.30 am – 11.15 am

Rosary – Wednesdays 10.30am,
followed by Tea/Coffee in the
Founders Room.

Legion of Mary – Every Tuesday at
7pm in the Library. New members
are welcome!

Charismatic Prayer Group – Every
Thursday 11am in the Founders'
Room.

Saints Days

Tue 13th – St Anthony of Padua

Fri 16th – St Richard of Chichester

Readers Rota: Is now ready for
collection.

Toddler Group: Will be in the
Founders Room on Tuesday
Morning from 9.30am. All are
Welcome!

Day for Life 2017: This is Sunday
18th June. We should reflect “on the
dignity of every human person both
young and old and pray for and
support all life from conception to
natural death.” (Bishop Sherrington)

Sunday Reflection: – The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is central to our Christian faith. It is a ‘mystery’ not in the sense it is unknowable, but in the sense that ‘love’ is a ‘mystery’. Given the limitations of human language, we are attempting to describe the indescribable. Our Christian faith teaches that there are three Divine Persons – Father, Son and Holy Spirit, in the one God. All three persons are distinct yet sharing the one divine nature. Our God is a community of persons: a communion of love between the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Our second reading today gives us a very early scriptural foundation for our belief in the Trinity: “The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all”. We are familiar with this as the main greeting at the beginning of Mass. We begin all prayer “In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit”. We were all baptized in the name of Trinity, and our sins are forgiven in the name of the Trinity. Our knowledge of God comes through Jesus Christ revealed as the incarnate Son of the Father, who in turn promises to send the spirit of truth from the Father. So our God is Triune, an active relationship: relating to us as Father who generates or creates, as Son who forgives and redeems, and as Spirit who sanctifies and inspires. God is thus revealed in order to draw us into this wonderful relationship of divine love. There is a beautiful Russian icon of the Trinity painted by the monk Rublev. It shows the Divine Persons sitting at a table. A dish with food is on the table. But at the front of the table there is a vacant place. This vacant place conveys openness and welcome towards the stranger. It is a place waiting to be filled, a place for each of us and for the human family. God invites us to share the life of the Trinity.

The Resurrection Art Exhibition – Will be officially opened in the Colonnade at 7pm on Monday 12th June. There will be an opportunity to hear some of the Artists speak about the inspiration of their paintings. All are Welcome!

International Mass – As we know already this is scheduled for Sunday 2nd July at 12.15pm Mass in Church, to be followed by an International Lunch in the School playground. We had a meeting last Monday 5th June at 7pm. This meeting was very poorly attended which was most disappointing. The few who attended drew up a basic agenda, but could not organize anything by themselves. It was decided to give it another chance. A meeting is now called for Tuesday 13th June at 7.15pm in the Founders Room. If this meeting is poorly attended and doesn't get the support it deserves, then we will cancel the whole project until another time. If there isn't sufficient interest in the project then why proceed with a few people doing all the work? This is “make up your mind time”

Parish Outing – is on Saturday 8th July 2017, going to Littlehampton seaside and also to do some fruit & vegetables picking. The coach will depart from the Church at 7am, will return at 5pm. Please register at the Parish Office. Adults £25 and Children £15. First come, first served! All Proceeds will go to the people of the Philippine City Of Mawari which is under attack.

Confirmation Celebration – This was on Wednesday last, 7th June at 7pm Mass. This was a Deanery Celebration for our Servite Parish together with the Parishes of St. Mary's Cadogan Street, Holy Redeemer and St. Thomas More's Cheyne Row. Our Area Bishop, The Right Rev John Wilson was present with us to preside at the Mass and celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with our Young People. It was a joyful and wonderful celebration with our Church packed with their families and friends. We offer our prayerful congratulations to all our young people who shared in the Sacrament and hope and pray that they can become more involved in the life of the Church, as Bishop John urged them to do so. We thank Parents, Catechists and Priests for the help, support and encouragement offered to all our young people in preparing for such a lively, joyful and important celebration and event in their lives.