

Sunday 11th June 2023

St. Patrick's R.C. Church

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The Eucharist - The Body and Blood of Christ

This Sunday's celebration of the Body and Blood of Christ originated in the Diocese of Liege in 1246 as the feast of *Corpus Christi*. In the reforms of Vatican II, *Corpus Christi* was joined with the feast of the Precious Blood (July 1) to become the *Solemnity of the Body and Blood of the Lord*. As a Sacrament, the Holy Eucharist is an outward sign in and through which we meet Jesus who shares his life of grace with us. In this Sacrament, Jesus gives us his own Body, broken for us on the cross and his precious Blood poured out for us, in order that our sins may be forgiven. The body of Christ is the living bread from heaven which he gave to us during the last supper. In the Holy Eucharist, and through our Baptism, Jesus makes his home within each one of us. We become the very presence of Christ in our world. We celebrate the Eucharist as a community of faith, hope and love.

Jesus, Body and Blood, we are grateful for the gift of your life and the way it strengthens us to live our lives. Teach us to draw on the gift of your Body and Blood for energy, renewal, strength and grace. May we never take the gift of your presence for granted. Amen

St Patricks SVP thank you for your continued support. If you would like a visit or support, or know somebody in need, please contact any SVP member or email in confidence to PresidentC211515@svp.org.uk



Win Broadbent, born 1923, and baby Sofia Gagiano born 2023 with Rory Gagiano who celebrated his 6th birthday this week. Win Broadbent would like to thank Canon Cooper, Deacon Mick, the SVP and all parishioners for their welcome, support, flowers and Holy Mass celebrated last Sunday in Thanksgiving for her 100th birthday. Win had her photo taken in church with one of our youngest parishioners, beautiful Baby Sofia, and her brother Rory Gagiano, who celebrated his 6th birthday this week. May God Bless and protect them and all our parish family.

CAFOD: update on the conflict in Sudan . . . Violent conflict continues in Sudan and thousands of people are running out of food, water and medicine. Working as part of the Caritas network, your previous donations to CAFOD are enabling our teams to provide practical help to families who have escaped to neighbouring countries, including South Sudan. Please join Pope Francis in praying for peace in Sudan. Find out more on the CAFOD website: https://cafod.org.uk/news/emergencies-news/sudan-conflict

Pope's Prayer Intention for June . . . We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

The Body and Blood of Christ			
11	Sunday	9.00am	Ray Purchase (Men's Club)
12	Monday	9.15am	Living & Deceased Ladies of St. Patrick's Parish
13	Tuesday St Anthony of Padua		
14	Wednesday		
15	Thursday	6.00pm	Pro-Life Holy Hour
16	Friday The Sacred Heart of Jesus		No Mass
17	Saturday The Immaculate Heart of Mary	9.15am	Eileen Chapman (SVP)
11 th Sunday of the Year			
18	Sunday	9.00am	People of our Parish
Anniversaries:		Winifred Muldowney, Edward Mahon, Alan Smith	
NEW YOUR PARK YERS		Margaret Devlin, Pauline Morton, Mike Rutland, Margaret Kenning, Christopher Brown, Fr. Pat McKenna, Rosie Owens, Andrew Brydon, Betty Griffiths, Rose Marie Bruno, Brian Lee, Kathleen Hanley	
Reader for Sunday 18 th June ~ Christine Pope			
For Parish Centre bookings please ring Rebecca on 07514 335003			



Most Sacred Heart of Jesus thank you for your love, compassion, forgiveness and unmeasurable grace. Through your Mother, Immaculate Heart of Mary, please stay with me always. Most Sacred heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you. Amen.

Jesus Christ, Bread of Life, be with the children as the day they will receive their First Eucharist draws closer. May their excitement become an eagerness to learn more about you and your Holy Sacrament. Amen

There will be a Pro-life Holy Hour on Thursday 15th June at St. Patrick's RC Church from 6pm to 7pm. Please come and join us to pray for the unborn and the sanctity of life.

A Corpus Christi Festival will be held this Sunday, starting at 2pm, at St. Joseph's Church, Norton.

Next Sunday is a Day of Prayer for Human Life. The theme is '*Listen to her'* and focuses on post-abortion trauma and the impact of abortion. There will be a second collection at Mass next Sunday.

SPUC Club Draw . . . The next club draw will take place on Sunday, 18 June 2023. Any outstanding monies can be given to Eileen, Maurice or Christine. Many thanks.

Candlelight Concerts bring the magic of a live, multi-sensory musical experience to awe-inspiring location of Ushaw. Having already welcomed more than 3 million attendees in more than 100 cities around the world, Ushaw are delighted to be the designated venue for the concert in Durham. These performances will take you on a melodic journey by candlelight, get your tickets to discover the music of Hans Zimmer at Ushaw on Saturday 21st July 2023. Visit Whats on at Ushaw to purchase a ticket for this event.