



The Bishops of England and Wales National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress in Liverpool
7 – 9 September 2018

Eucharistic Congresses are gatherings of clergy, religious and laity which promote an awareness of the central place of the Eucharist in the life and mission of the Church. The last International Eucharistic Congress in England was held in 1908 when permission for a public procession of the Blessed Sacrament was refused. Participants will engage in a series of sessions focusing on different dimensions of the Eucharist and the daily celebration and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

On the first day of the Congress, there will be a Theological Symposium, with workshops for parish catechists, (especially for those involved in First Holy Communion programs), RE teachers, Hospital and Prison Chaplains, Seminary Communities and Extraordinary Ministers.

The sessions will focus on:

- Scripture
- Ecclesiology
- Eucharistic Language and Catechesis
- Rites and Music for Eucharistic Adoration

The Echo Arena in Liverpool – which can accommodate 10,000 pilgrims – will be the home to a six-hour stage programme on the second day of the Congress, which will include a Congress Mass, keynote speakers and a drama highlighting the beauty of reverence and devotion. The day will conclude with Adoration.

On the final day of the Pilgrimage and Congress, Sunday, there will be pilgrimage Masses and a street procession – open to all.

In his Pastoral Letter to the Diocese of Westminster for the solemnity of Corpus Christi, Cardinal Nichols wrote: “We seek to rejuvenate Eucharistic adoration in our parishes as the source of strength for our lives and for our mission, that of making present the love and compassion of Jesus in our society.”

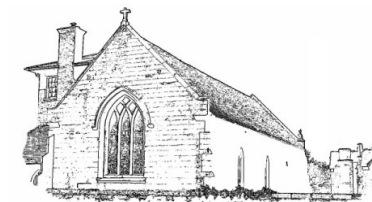
Every diocese in England and Wales will take part in the Congress and the Cardinal encourages people to make the pilgrimage to the Eucharistic Congress. Each Diocesan Bishop has nominated a representative whose task is to disseminate information to parishes, groups, religious communities about the Pilgrimage and Congress.

Ahead of the Eucharistic Congress in Genoa in 2016, Pope Francis encouraged everyone to visit the Blessed Sacrament, if possible, every day: “Moreover, I want to encourage everyone to visit – if possible, every day – especially amid life’s difficulties, the Blessed Sacrament of the infinite love of Christ and His mercy, preserved in our churches, and often abandoned, to speak filially with Him, to listen to Him in silence, and to peacefully entrust yourself to Him.”

The Eucharistic Congress has been given the title Adoremus (let us adore). This pilgrimage will bring people together from across the dioceses and further the service of the poor and marginalised in our midst. It will also aim to provide practical resources to develop the mission of the Church in prayer, contemplation and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

<http://www.catholicnews.org.uk/Home/News/Eucharistic-Pilgrimage>

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Times of Holy Mass and Intentions
(YEAR B Readings)

Sunday 18 February	First Sunday of Lent <i>Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments</i> For the people of the Parish Ted & Mary Keane R.I.P.
8.30 am - 10.30 am -	
Monday 19 February	Lent Feria Francis F Fletcher R.I.P.
8.30 am -	
Tuesday 20 February	Lent Feria Stan Robson R.I.P.
8.30 am -	
Wednesday 21 February	Lent Feria Holy Souls <i>#Discussion Group in The Stable</i>
8.30 am - 9.00 am -	
Thursday 22 February	Feast of The Chair of St Peter, Apostle Harold Geack
11.30 am	
Friday 23 February	Lent Feria <i>FAMILY FAST DAY</i> Edwin Geack <i>Followed by Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament until 2.00 pm</i>
11.30 am -	
Saturday 24 February	Lent Feria Robert Griffin R.I.P.
10.00 am -	
Sunday 25 February	Second Sunday of Lent <i>Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments</i> Martin Purcell R.I.P. For the people of the Parish <i>(On Sunday, 25 February there will be a Second Collection for CAFOD).</i>
8.30 am - 10.30 am -	

Anniversaries in February: Rev Charles Dodd (1742), Rev James Layfield (1756), Stanhope Pedley (1938), Agnes Drinkwater (1938), Pierce Bradley (1987), Tony Goodyear (1988), Pauline Jack (1992), Jeffrey Nichols (2003), Gertrude Higham (2003), Gerard O’Keeffe (2003), Rose Marie Villiers (2007), Mary Keane (2007), Gerry Costello (2012), Edmund Osborne (2013), Mandy Natalie Bridge (2016), Alan Cox (2016)

Prayers for Sick:

Trudy Woodall, Anthony Mitchell, Veronica Mitchell, Philip Edwards, Julia Comber, Anne Hiron, Kathleen Clarke, Maureen Ribbins, Anthony Francis-Floris, James Arbutnott, Susannah Michaels, William Tweddell Jnr, Mo Trow, Jan Sewell, Oliver Ronan, Bernard Millard, Jean Buckley, Paul Hoban.

Eucharistic Ministers:

Sunday 18 February Stephen Fox, Helen Raphael
Elizabeth Mountford, Denise Grant
Sunday 25 February Eddie Picardo, Bridget Robson
Joan McKay, Annick Harvey

Readers:

Sunday 18 February Pat Van Zyl
The Brown Family
Sunday 25 February James Arbutnott
Anne Taylor

Church Cleaners:

Friday 23 February Annick Harvey & Sheila Fernihough

Money Counters:

For the 18 February collection: Dr M Bird & Mrs J Waterhouse

Contributions to the Parish:

Weekly Offertory taken on Sunday 11 February

Gift Aid Direct Debits	£ 253.00
Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 229.50
Loose cash	£ 207.41



"Where two or three come together in my name, there I am with them."

Matt 18:20

The Wednesday Word Trust leaflets are available from the table in the porch or may be downloaded from: <http://www.wednesdayword.org/parish/index.htm> (click on The Parish Version) either for your personal use at home or in anticipation of the group discussion on Wednesday mornings. The informal discussion group is led by Fr John and is open to everyone. Do come along for a cup of coffee and an exchange of ideas!



Women's World Day of Prayer
Informed Prayer, Prayerful action

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER this year takes place at Blakedown Church at 7.00pm on Friday 2 March for a service prepared by the women of Suriname.

Men and women are welcome to the event. Light refreshments will be served at the end of the evening. For further information contact June Waterhouse 01562 70039.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Children who will be 8 years old by June of this year are eligible to be prepared to take their **First Holy Communion** at Harvington on **Sunday 3 June 2018**, the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. In order for your child to take classes in readiness for this Sacrament please attend an introductory meeting at **9.30am on Sunday 4 March** in the upper room of the Stable. You are also asked to complete the information slip available from the table in the porch and post it in the marked envelope on the clip board.



Here is another reminder about the proposed walk being organised by a group of parishioners who plan to undertake the final 100km of the **Camino de Santiago - Friday 18 - Sunday 27 May 2018**.

The estimated cost will be £750. Accommodation will be 3 star type hotels. If anyone is interested please contact George Race 07789505406 ... (this is a small correction ... by just one digit ...to the previously provided number!)

Peter Knott is hoping to set up a Book Group to meet in the Stable once a month on a mutually convenient weekday morning at a time to fit in with Mass. The aim will be to meet and discuss a book chosen and read by Group members over the preceding month. Anyone interested in taking part is invited to take a copy of one of the yellow sheets in the porch for further information.



Please see the notice about September's **National Eucharistic Pilgrimage & Congress** on the next page of this newsletter and if you would like to go on either Friday or Saturday sign the list on the clip board in the porch. This is a ticketed event ... £40 each. Sunday is open to all and is free.



New rotas for our **FLOWER ARRANGERS** are in named envelopes on the table in the porch today.

ESSENTIAL PARISH INFORMATION:

EMERGENCY EXIT: This is via the sacristy and through the house

GIFT AID: Miss Amalia Costanzo 01562 751657

SAFEGUARDING: Mrs J Lloyd 01562 754448

HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER: Mr M Dawson 01562 743776