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DEACON SHAUN MORRISON'S WEEKLY BULLETIN

Sunday, June 11, 2023

Dear Friends,

Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. (Corpus Christi)

"I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord. Anyone who eats this bread will live forever."

The YouTube link for the livestream for the 11.30am Mass from Our Lady's is:

https://www.youtube.com/live/r4ccSu5Wnf4?feature=share

This afternoon is our Deanery CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION with Bishop Peter.

Our Deanery Corpus Christi Procession takes place this afternoon at 3pm in the beautiful grounds of Oxburgh Hall.

Bishop Peter will be carrying the Blessed Sacrament.

Admission to the National Trust property is by a pass which is freely available from church. Each member of the party will need a pass.

Entry is from 2.30pm but if you arrive earlier you are allowed to picnic in the grassy carpark. We especially invite the First Communion children to come dressed in their Communion outfits. To get to Oxburgh Hall take the A10 and then the A134 towards Thetford and turn off at the brown tourist signs.

From the Office of Readings for today:

A reading from the works of St Thomas Aquinas How precious and wonderful is this banquet!

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Since it was the will of God's only-begotten Son that men should share in his divinity, he assumed our nature in order that by becoming man he might make men gods. Moreover, when he took our flesh he dedicated the whole of its substance to our salvation. He offered his body to God the Father on the altar of the cross as a sacrifice for our reconciliation. He shed his blood for our ransom and purification, so that we might be redeemed from our wretched state of bondage and cleansed from all sin. But to ensure that the memory of so great a gift would abide with us for ever, he left his body as food and his blood as drink for the faithful to consume in the form of bread and wine.

O precious and wonderful banquet, that brings us salvation and contains all sweetness! Could anything be of more intrinsic value? Under the old law it was the flesh of calves and goats that was offered, but here Christ himself, the true God, is set before us as our food. What could be more wonderful than this? No other sacrament has greater healing power; through it sins are purged away, virtues are increased, and the soul is enriched with an abundance of every spiritual gift. It is offered in the Church for the living and the dead, so that what was instituted for the salvation of all may be for the benefit of all. Yet, in the end, no one can fully express the sweetness of this sacrament, in which spiritual delight is tasted at its very source, and in which we renew the memory of that surpassing love for us which Christ revealed in his passion.

It was to impress the vastness of this love more firmly upon the hearts of the faithful that our Lord instituted this sacrament at the Last Supper. As he was on the point of leaving the world to go to the Father, after celebrating the Passover with his disciples, he left it as a perpetual memorial of his passion. It was the fulfilment of ancient figures and the greatest of all his miracles, while for those who were to experience the sorrow of his departure, it was destined to be a unique and abiding consolation.

Responsory

- R. See in this bread the body of Christ which hung upon the cross, and in this cup the blood which flowed from his side.* Take his body, then, and eat it; take his blood and drink it, and you will become his members.
- N. The body of Christ is the bond which unites you to him: eat it, or you will have no part in him. The blood is the price he paid for your redemption: drink it, lest you despair of your sinfulness.* Take his body, then, and eat it; take his blood and drink it, and you will become his members.

Papal Nuncio to celebrate Mass at Walsingham on Monday 12th June 2023

From the website: <u>https://</u>

www.walsingham.org.uk/2023/06/08/papal-nuncio-tocelebrate-mass-at-walsingham-on-monday-12th-june-2023/

His Excellency Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendia, the Apostolic Nuncio to Great Britain, will celebrate Mass on Monday 12th June at 10am at the Chapel of Our Lady of Reconciliation.

The Apostolic Nuncio to Great Britain will be visiting the Catholic National Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham to celebrate Mass on the 15th anniversary of his episcopal ordination. His Excellency was appointed Apostolic Nuncio to Great Britain by His Holiness Pope Francis on April 13,

2023.

The Mass will be livestreamed simultaneously on Walsingham Catholic TV, EWTN and Radio Maria. All are welcome. <u>https://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream/</u>

Bishop Peter said:

"I was delighted ... that our new Apostolic Nuncio desired to celebrate the sacrifice of the Mass at the National Shrine to mark the 15th anniversary of his episcopal ordination. We are honoured by the prospect of welcoming the representative of the Holy See to our diocese. We offer our prayerful congratulations to his Excellency as he prepares for his anniversary and we extend to him the assurance of our prayers for the intentions of the Holy Father."

PLEASE NOTE: The 10am Mass will replace the usual 9.30 and midday Masses at the Shrine on this day.

The link to our YouTube channel is: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/</u> <u>UC8V030I7usRZiKoTIrwBAKg</u>

And the link to our Parish Website: <u>http://www.catholicparish-kingslynn.org.uk/</u>

God bless

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Deacon Shaun Morrison