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Sunday 14th June 2020 – Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ – Year A

Regular updates on what is happening in the parish due to the coronavirus are being emailed to those who are on the Parish Distribution List (these emails come from Admin St Ninians).

Because they are a group email some email providers block them or class them as spam so please check your junk folder if you have not received them.

If you wish to receive the updates you will need to be on the Parish Distribution List, and you can join by emailing:

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One World Group

In these difficult times, the One World Group members continue to pray the Rosary (Joyous Mysteries) in their homes at 7.30 pm each Monday evening. Please join us. If you have any prayer intentions you would like us to pray for, please let us know. You can contact me as below in the 'newsletter' section.

Wilson Memorial Church Foodbank

We have had a message from **Rev Mike Marsden – minister at Wilson Memorial** – thanking us for our generous donation to the Food Bank – the Basics Bank – the parish were able to give them a cheque for £200, this was followed by a couple of donations from parishioners and we were then able to give another donation from the Open Door, in all around £500.00

Reverend Mike apologises for the delay in e-mailing to say thank you – as many of his Basics Food Bank volunteers are either shielding or not able to assist at the moment due to being over 70 he is particularly busy. He also says in his e-mail -

'You will not be surprised to learn that since the beginning of the COVID-19 coronavirus crisis, we have seen an increase in the use of our Food Bank. We have all been impacted by the lockdown restrictions, but those who were already vulnerable within our society have perhaps experienced an even greater hardship. In the month of May alone we have distributed more than 1200 kgs of food, which represents a trebling of our usual distribution.'

The very generous gift from St. Ninian's will go a long way to helping us to maintain, not just our supplies, but also across the network of Basics Banks in Edinburgh. As you are probably aware, we partner with Edinburgh City Mission, and we are part of a network of about 6 Basics Banks. This partnership helps maintain a continuity of service across all the Basics Banks, and also provides a means of resourcing items across the network.

Fr Hugh

Tuesday 16th June is the 20th Anniversary of Fr Hugh's Ordination to the priesthood. He asks us to remember him in our prayers.

Parish Pilgrimage: 11- 13 September 2020

It is still our hope that we can continue with our planned parish visit to Lindisfarne and Durham in September. We have managed to extend the booking before any deposits are required until the end of July and by that time we should know if it is feasible and safe to proceed with the visit. If so, the full amount of £275 pp (+£25 single sup) will be required to be paid by week beginning 3rd August. Clearly much will depend on government advice and the extent to which the coronavirus has been brought under control by the end of July. Here's hoping ... and praying!

Lockdowns from Lauriston

Firstly, The Lauriston Jesuit Centre team would like to thank you all for the kind emails, text messages and phone calls following the intrusion to our talk on Tuesday evening that resulted in our talk being postponed. The outpouring of support has been overwhelming.

We have now confirmed a rescheduled date for Fr Damian Howard and this will be **Tuesday 30th June at 7.30pm**. We have also developed a protocol to minimise the risk of this happening again whilst at the same time allowing us to reach as many people as possible. This will be as follows:

- All participants will be muted on entry to the meeting and will be unable to unmute themselves.
- The chat function will be disabled.
- The rechange your name function will be disabled.
- Screenshare will be disabled.

These procedures will ensure that nobody can interfere with the talk. It will be possible to ask questions by raising your hand during the Q&A part of the evening and you will be unmuted by the host to allow you to speak. More information will be given at the beginning of each talk.

We look forward to welcoming you back for our next talk: - **see poster further down in the newsletter for this week's talk.**

Guest Speakers:

Tuesday 30th June 7.30pm: *The Church after lockdown?* With Jesuits in Britain Provincial Damian Howard, SJ

Join us on Zoom. Login using the link below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2365092814> or Meeting ID:236 509 2814 these will also be livestreamed on our Facebook page!

Day for Life 31 May (apologies this should have been in last week's newsletter)

The theme for this year's Day for Life is "Choose Life". During the coronavirus crisis calls from pregnant women are still being received so your donations will be well used by the Archdiocesan Pro-Life Office to help them. You can donate online: https://donor.secure-operations.com/detailed/donate?charity_id=1086319&type=2&hidden_amount=&amount=&reference=LIFE. Or cheques can be sent to Pro-Life Office, Archdiocesan Offices, 100 Strathearn Road, Edinburgh, EH9 1BB. Please make cheques payable to Archdiocese of St Andrews & Edinburgh. Thank you for your support at this time!

Scottish Domestic Abuse Helpline

(24 hours): 0800 027 1234.

Safeguarding Contacts

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Newsletter

Any items by Wednesday midday please to Carol Mulvenna, work – 672 0134, home 672 1223, mobile 07762 924916, email cmulvenna@btinternet.com

If you know of anyone who would like the newsletter emailed to you each week, please let me know by emailing me as above.

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## ***Gospel, John 6:51-58 – My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink***

Jesus said to the Jews:

“I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever;

and the bread that I shall give

is my flesh, for the life of the world.”

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” they said. Jesus replied:

“I tell you most solemnly,

if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man

and drink his blood,

You will not have life in you.

Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood

has eternal life,

and I shall raise him up on the last day.

For my flesh is real food

and my blood is real drink.

He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood

lives in me and I live in him.  
As I, who am sent by the living Father,  
myself draw life from the Father,  
so whoever eats me will draw life from me.  
This is the bread come down from heaven;  
not like the bread our ancestors ate:  
they are dead,  
but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.”

*The Gospel of the Lord*

***Reflecting on our faith - Bread for Others***

**This week's Gospel:** John 6:51-58

Adults: What does it mean for you right now to be bread for others as Jesus was?

Children: In what ways can Jesus' presence in the Eucharist help you do good things for others?



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# COVID-19 CEMETERY RESTRICTIONS

**This cemetery is open to the public at weekends\***

**Friday 4pm-8pm**  
**Saturday 8am-8pm**  
**Sunday 8am-8pm**

**Access is for pedestrians only (please enter through the side gate).  
Weekday access is restricted to funeral services only. The  
cemetery office and public toilets are closed until further notice.**

**These temporary conditions are to ensure a safe working  
environment for our staff and to conduct burials safely and  
respectfully.**

**We apologise for any inconvenience  
and thank you for your patience.**

For queries/requests please contact the cemetery manager on 0131 623 8906.

\*until further notice

Updates: [archedinburgh.org/news-events](https://archedinburgh.org/news-events)