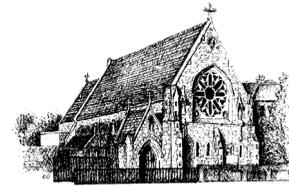




## Sub tuum praesidium

One of the most ancient prayers to Our Lady is the *Sub tuum praesidium*. Its simplicity and shortness make it easy to remember. Do pray it!

*We fly to your protection,  
O holy Mother of God.  
Despise not our petitions in our necessities,  
but deliver us always from all dangers,  
O glorious and blessed Virgin. .*



## OUR LADY & ST CATHERINE OF SIENA

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6TH JUNE 2021

THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

### Parish Masses for the coming weeks:

Date	Feast	Time	Mass Intention
Sat 5th		6pm	Seamus CLARKE, RIP
Sunday 6th June	CORPUS CHRISTI	9.30am	Prudence RODERICK, RIP
		11.30am	Joan LARKIN, RIP
		6pm	People of the Parish
Mon 7th		9.15am	Jim MONAGHAN, RIP
Tues 8th		7am	Kevin HEARTY, RIP
Wed 9th		9.15am	Kathleen ADDERLEY, RIP
Fri 11th	SACRED HEART	12noon	Judie D'SILVA, int

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Friday 11am–11.45am

Reconciliation Saturday 5.00pm - 5.45pm.

Parish Secretary: Angela Braniff - Wed, 9.30am - 2.30 pm

Columban Sisters - Tel: 020 8980 3017

St Agnes School, Rainhill Way, E3 3ER Tel: 02089803076 - email: office@st-agnes.towerhamlets.sch.uk

The sanctuary lamp is burning in honour of **Kathleen ADDERLEY, RIP**

Following last week's announcement, Fr Howard James, the new parish priest of Our Lady and St Catherine's has sent the following message

*Dear Parishioners*

*I am Fr Howard James.*

*The Cardinal has asked me to succeed Fr Javier Ruiz Ortiz at Our Lady and St Catherine of Sienna. I am very honoured.*

*I am presently serving in Jamaica and I have been here for the last seven years, serving in two Parishes.*

*I am London born, of Jamaican parents. I was raised in Jamaica where I attended primary and secondary school and College.*

*I returned to London where I worked in a Travel Agency and then BT.*

*I attended Allen Hall, the Westminster Diocesan Seminary. I spent one year at the American College in Louvain, Belgium and did my post graduate degree at the KU Leuven, Belgium.*

*I was ordained by Cardinal Hume in 1991 at Westminster Cathedral.*

*I have served in the Diocese of Westminster, the Catholic Missionary Society, the Diocese of St John's Basseterre, Antigua and two assignments in Jamaica.*

*After my retreat in September I will be joining you as your Parish Priest. I am looking forward to serving and working with you.*

*I ask your prayers and assure you that you are all in mine.*

*God's blessings.*

*Fr Howard M James*

We pray for Fr Howard and look forward to welcoming him among us in September

## What is happening at St Catherine next?

Following the announcement of Fr Howard as new parish priest of Our Lady and St Catherine from September, this is how the next few months will look like.

Before the announcement, Fr Javier had booked his holidays for July, coinciding with a family wedding, so

1. **June**, masses as normal till 27th June. Then Masses on Tuesday 29th June, Sts. Peter and Paul at 9.15am and 7pm. No other masses that week.
2. **July**, masses will be celebrated **only** during weekend. Saturday 6pm, Sunday 9.30 and 11.30 (**note no Sunday evening mass**)
3. **August**, masses as usual, including Sunday evening mass
4. **September**, masses will be celebrated **only** at weekends (Saturday 4th and 11th, 6pm and Sundays 5th and 12th, 9.30; 11.30 and 6pm). Normal schedule from 18th september

## Certificate of Catholic Practice

Any family who will need a Certificate of Catholic Practice because their child is due to enter Nursery, Reception or Secondary School, should contact Fr Javier.

**Finance Committee**—Next meeting, Monday 7th June, 8pm in the presbytery

**Catechists meeting**—All those involved in catechetics in the parish are invited to a meeting on Monday 14th June at 7pm. Meet in the Church.

**Steering Committee for Hall**—Next meeting, 17th June, 7pm on Zoom.

**Reconciliation** is celebrated Saturday 5pm and Sunday between morning masses and before evening mass. Otherwise please contact Fr Javier for an appointment.

**Broadcast of 11.30am Mass**—Broadcast of the 11.30am Mass on YouTube. You can find us on our New YouTube page: <http://bit.ly/StCatherinesLiveMass>. And on Facebook [www.facebook.com/StCatherineBow/](http://www.facebook.com/StCatherineBow/)

## Bow Food Bank

The Bow Food Bank continues to need our support. **The items for June are pasta and rice** We will collect them and take them to the Food Bank after the 11.30am Mass at the end of the month. For more information or if you want to volunteer, please check <http://www.bowfoodbank.org/wp/>

**Baptism**—Baptisms are taking place. Please speak to Fr Javier to arrange a date.

**Wedding**—Marriages are now allowed now with a limited capacity. However, there is no marriage course this year. If you need one, speak to Fr Javier

## Afterlife hope before the New Testament

Talk by Fr Jeremy Corley on the rise of the belief in the Resurrection in the Old Testament. Saturday 12th June, 11am to 12.30pm. Free access on [www.whatgoodnews.org](http://www.whatgoodnews.org). questions can be emailed to [catholicbiblicalassociation.gb@gmail.com](mailto:catholicbiblicalassociation.gb@gmail.com)

**RCIA**—Next meeting will be on **Tuesday 8th June at 6.30pm, at St Catherine's Room**

**First Holy Communion 2021**—Group A after 11.30 mass 13/06; group B after school on Monday 07/06. Please pray for these children

**Parish Accounts**—Please take a copy of the yellow leaflet with the parish accounts

## Corpus Christi 2021—6th June

- ⇒ **Week of preparation, 31/05—04/06.** thank you to those who have attended. It has been a great success
- ⇒ **Corpus Christi procession** after 11.30am. We should be able to process within our grounds from the Church to the garden. Thank you to those who volunteered. If you are interested in giving a hand, let Fr Javier know.

## Parish Safeguarding Reps

Our parish takes seriously safeguarding. For many years, Ann Monaghan has been our representative. She has stepped down from that role and we are extremely grateful for all she has done to keep us safe. A new team has been appointed, Gertrude Sai, Kenny Onyekpe and Lucy Sutton. They will introduce themselves to us on the weekend 19-20 June.

**Parish History**—available from the back. Suggested donation £10

**Planned Giving Envelops**—Please contact Fr Javier if you need a box for your weekly donation.

**British Museum Exhibition—Thomas Becket: murder and the making of a saint**—this seems a very interesting exhibition. May I suggest that we organise a parish trip on 18th June at 6.30pm? The best way to organise this is if each one of us buys their own ticket and then we meet at Bow Rd Tube station at 5.30pm. Let Fr Javier know if you are interested

**Parish Walking Pilgrimage to Westminster Cathedral, 26th June**—a great day out. Meet in the parish at 9.30am. Walk from the parish to the Tower of London, to Westminster Abbey and Westminster Cathedral. Time to pray and spend time with each other. Bring your pack lunch. Let Fr Javier know if you are interested

**Gardening at St Catherine**—Meeting every Saturday at 10am to look after our garden. Each session begins with a short prayer/reflection inspired by Pope Francis' *Laudato Si*. Please contact Sr Kate if you are interested.

**PTF**—Please returned your envelopes after mass or use the QR code on the envelopes.

**Facebook Page**—we have now an official Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/StCatherineBow/](http://www.facebook.com/StCatherineBow/) Do follow us.

**Stewards at Mass**—The work of stewards/ushers is fundamental at this time for the safe opening of the parish. Ushers are required to arrive at mass earlier; accommodate people once mass has started; ushering people to communion and out of mass at the end. They also spray clean the benches which have been used. If you want to help with the ushering of people during mass, speak to Fr. Javier.

**Sanctuary Lamp**—The sanctuary lamp will be burning in memory of a faithful departed or as a prayer for the living.

**Financial support**—Thank you for your ongoing financial support. Thank you to those who are giving online (Account Name: WRC DT Bow; Sort Code: 40-05-20; Account Number: 01308157). You can also use the QR Code at the front of the Newsletter or on the green posters in Church. Please add your Surname and First Name as a reference.

**Have you thought about a standing order?** Do consider it as it would help us plan for future