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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	10:00am	Prayer Service
Tuesday	10:00am	Prayer Service
Wednesday	7:00pm	Prayer Service
Thursday	10:00am	Prayer Service
Friday	10:00am	Prayer Service
Saturday	6:00pm	Priest's Intention

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday	8:30am	Theresa RIP
	10:00am	Anthony RIP
	12:00noon	People of the Parish

Fr Jack

Chapter six of John's Gospel is the great catholic chapter on the eucharist.

Jesus very clearly tells us that He will give us his flesh to eat and his blood to drink.

He did not say I will give you a symbol, or I will give you a reminder, no, I will give you the very real thing.

For years the churches argued over consubstantiation and transubstantiation. I never succeeded in making much sense of it, opting instead to read chapter six. Here I encountered the real Christ and a person who cannot lie. This is my basis of celebrating mass about 25,000 times and making sense of it. A living encounter with a real person, and like any encounter it is always different. A person who passionately loves me and tolerates my shortcomings and can cope with me, as I hope I can cope with late comers, people on mobiles, noisy children, adults talking, all which go to make up the rich tapestry of the people of God here at St James' to celebrate the Eucharist. Long may it live.

Here we do in memory so that we never forget. Here I would encourage you to see the eucharist as an alternative lifestyle, rather than be too wrapped up in orthodoxy.

An encounter with the Living God.

Remember God loves you not because you are good, but because He is good.

SECOND READING.

Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about what matters.

GOVERNORS

Do you have skills to offer as a Governor or Trustee in the Catholic schools in Southwark?

The Education Commission for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark (rcaoseducation.org.uk) is looking to build up its list of people able to offer time, expertise and commitment to support primary, secondary schools and sixth form colleges in Southwark.

The Diocese needs local people from its parishes to volunteer as foundation governors in Catholic maintained schools and academies. It also needs people to become trustees/directors in their multi-academy trusts. Could you spare a few hours a month?

These are fulfilling roles though not without challenges. Governors and trustees work together as a team to ensure a good standard of education is being achieved. Being a governor or a trustee is an opportunity to develop the skills you have, undertake service to the community and to improve the futures of children today. You do not need to be a parent or work in the education sector.

The Diocese welcomes interest from all sectors of society and across all ages. It is looking for people with finance and accounting, legal and HR, premises and health and safety experience. Induction, training and mentoring will be provided. Some further information can be found: DBS-Role-of-Foundation-Governor.pdf (rcaoseducation.org.uk)

If you would like to know more, please fill in the form below to register your interest. A member of the team will be in contact shortly to talk with you about the process. Suitable candidates will then receive a statement of support from their parish priest, provide two referees and undertake a DBS before allocation to a school.

Could you become a Governor? – Education Commission for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark (rcaoseducation.org.uk)

Altar Servers Outing

The altar servers outing to Aylesford will be on Saturday 18th September. Our Filipino choir from the 12 o'clock mass have been invited to play. Hopefully we'll have enough interest to warrant getting a coach. Let Victor know.