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Dear friends in Christ,

This weekend, we celebrate the feast of the Most Holy Trinity. It is a time to reflect on the wonderful mystery of our faith: one God in three divine persons. Although this mystery is beyond our full understanding, it reminds us of the depth of God's love and how he makes Himself present to us in different ways within our lives.

Marking the 135th anniversary of *Rerum novarum*, last Monday, Pope Leo XIV released his first encyclical, *Magnifica humanitas: On Safeguarding the Human Person in the Time of Artificial Intelligence*.

In it, he calls for the safeguarding of our shared humanity, the promotion of truth, dignity of work, social justice and peace. In its five chapters, *Magnifica humanitas* presents a clear message: technology is neither "a force antagonistic to humanity" nor "inherently evil". At the same time, it is never neutral, because it reflects the values of those who create, fund, regulate, and use it. Pope Leo XIV therefore calls on people to shape technology for the common good and to remain deeply human, embracing a spirit of shared responsibility and communion so that the world may "come to recognise the human heart as the place where God desires to dwell". The full encyclical can be read on the Holy See's website vatican.va

Next Sunday we celebrate the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) where our First Holy Communion candidates will receive the Lord in the Most Holy Eucharist for the first time at the 11.00am Parish Mass. Please keep Iga, Marley, Poppy & Skylar in your prayers.

In the evening we will be having a Corpus Christi procession in the Abbey gardens following Vespers which, starts at the usual time of 5.55pm.

My prayers and best wishes,

Fr Augustine

We are delighted to announce that our updated parish website is now live. Soon, we will be sending regular e-newsletters to help you stay connected with parish news and events.

Please register at www.belmontparish.org.uk or scan the QR code to sign up—it only takes a moment.

Printed copies will still be available, so everyone can stay informed in the way that suits them best.



THE MOST HOLY TRINITY - YEAR A 31ST MAY 2026

- 4.00pm Sung Vigil Parish Mass with schola
People of the Parish
- 8.30am Parish Mass
Myles Davey RIP (Birthday)
- 9.30am Sung Conventual Mass
- 11.00am Sung Parish Mass
Rob & Jacqui (40th Wedding Anniversary)

9th Week in Ordinary Time

- Monday** Memoria - St Justin, Martyr
- Tuesday** Feria
- 10.15am Parish Mass with Adoration until 11.30am
Michael Harris RIP
- Wednesday** Memoria - Sts Charles Lwanga & companions, Ugandan Martyrs
- Thursday** Feria
- Friday** Memoria - St Boniface, Bishop & Martyr
- 10.15am Parish Mass
JD Private Intention
- 6.45pm Healing Prayer Service
- Saturday** Memoria - BVM
- 10.00am to 10.30am Confessions
Conventual Mass
8.00am - Monday to Saturday

CORPUS CHRISTI - YEAR A 7TH JUNE 2026

- 4.00pm Vigil Parish Mass with hymns
People of the Parish
- Sunday**
- 8.30am Parish Mass
Terry Bates RIP
- 9.30am Sung Pontifical Conventual Mass
- 11.00am Sung Parish Mass
First Holy Communicants

If you need a Mass said for any intention,
please let Fr Augustine know.

Parish Collection - Total donated: £399.65
- Cash last weekend: £207.15
- Digital last weekend: £192.50

Sunday Mass Readings are from Year A

Weekday Mass Readings are from Year II

HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN: Fr Patrick Lobo is the Catholic Chaplain but is currently on holiday. If you or a loved one want to be visited while in hospital please contact Fr Augustine on the Parish telephone number.

SICK: Pray for Denise Ellis, Edmund Hayes, Seamus Hayes, Pat Draper, James Rogers, Sally Hayward, Margaret Rose, Anna Rudnicka, John Hackman, Maria Helena, Rosemary Nicholls, Beth Macbain, Florence (Flo) Ramage, Polly Maund-Powell, Abbot Charles, Mandie Chapman, Joanna Savory, John Stannard, Ruth Keohane, Anne Williams, Karolina Busko, Kath Parry & Greg Primavesi.

ANNIVERSARIES: Pray for the repose of the souls of Marie Barley, Abbot Anselm Lightbound, Bernadette Hubert, Margaret Pritchard, Alice Warren, Lesley Hayes, Joseph Sessarego, Teresa Garrett, Mary Crilly, Kathleen Sumner, Isobella Milsom & Catherine Wegg-Prosser.

LECTIO DIVINA: This is a way of opening our hearts to reading scripture in the Holy Spirit. It is an ancient practice, commended by St Benedict in his Rule. Lectio, whether in a group or on your own, begins with prayer, and then focuses on a brief passage of scripture. Read it several times, silently or aloud, and just allow yourself to sit with it. Be open to the Holy Spirit and to the Word of God - allowing yourself to be moved by it. Let it resonate with you and think about what it is saying to you. This helps us grow in love of scripture, and is a way of growing into prayer.

Meetings are on Wednesdays 11am–12noon : 24th June, in the Parish Centre and 22nd July in The Chapterhouse (major feasts of the English Church).

PARISH GARDEN FETE: Our Fete is only a few weeks away (Saturday, 20th June, 2pm)! Books of raffle tickets are available in the glass porch for you to sell to your family and friends.

We particularly need donations of bottles for the bottle stall, plants for the plant stall and cakes for the cake stall!.

TOMATO PLANTS: Anthea has been growing tomato plants for the fete but they are ready to sell from next weekend. Varieties include Nello's Plum, American Heritage Stone Ridge and Burmese Sour.

WOW@BELMONT: Our next meeting is Tuesday, 2nd June at 11am in the Parish Centre. A warm welcome to any widows or widowers who would like to join us for a cuppa, cake and friendly chat.

TASTE AND TALK: Is now meeting on the first and third Thursdays of the month. This means the next meeting is on Thursday, 4th June, 10.30am to 12.00noon in the Parish Centre. We will be continuing to watch and then discuss series 5 of the popular series "The Chosen".

HEALING SERVICE: The monthly Service of prayers for healing next takes place in the Abbey Church at 6.45pm on Friday, 5th June led by Fr Michael Clothier from the Community of Saint Gregory the Great. There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions will be available. All are most welcome.

EMMAUS DISCOVER - YOUTH MISSION - SUMMER CAMP: 5th - 9th August 2026. For pupils in Year 9 to Year 13. Taking place in St David's Bunk Barns, Pembrokeshire. £300, Travel & Meals included to journey with us, scan QR or email youth@cardiffmenevia.org. The deadline for registration and payment is 8th June.



THE BIBLE: MYTH OR HISTORY?: A free illustrated lecture series in Biblical Archaeology with David Rohl. Session 4 - Hebrew Signs in the Desert - The origins of the Hebrew alphabet. The discovery of Proto-Sinaitic at Serabit el-Khadim. Deciphering the inscriptions. The words of Moses carved in stone. The Golden Calf. Saturday, 13th June 2.00 - 4.00pm in The Chapterhouse. Free parking, Free entry. Monthly lectures on the second Saturday of each month.

JOB VACANCY: Our Lady's RC Primary School is looking to appoint a School Business Manager, 20 hours per week HC7 £14,529.70 to 16,479.32 per annum. If you are interested please call the school office on 01432 274814 or email admin@our-ladys.hereford.sch.uk to arrange a tour of the school and application form.

"WELL READ MOM": Catholic ladies book club would like to invite new members, all women welcome! "Well Read Mom" accompanies women in the reading of great books and spiritual classics to encourage personal growth, friendship and meaningful conversations in order to explore the human condition and reorient ourselves to what is good, beautiful and true. To find out more ask Lizzie Frost 07735452899, Liz Leahy 07746 612015, or Renata Schmidt

PARISH SUPPORT GROUP: Provides a regular link and support between the wider parish community and parishioners who are unable to attend Holy Mass or parish events due to a change in personal circumstances.

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