

Welcome to Father Vlad's Newsletter!

Let's stay in touch for updates on events and special seasonal messages! I will be glad to stay in touch, but if you prefer not to receive these messages, please unsubscribe below. Thank you.

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Latest writing from Father Vlad

"A Journey to Eternity" is in three parts. The first is here-below. The third has been published already.

The second - my years in Opus Dei - should come out later this year.

In due course, all three will be there for you to read.

If you would prefer a hard copy, just drop me an email with your postal address and volumes 1 and 3 will arrive in your letterbox, soon.

A Journey to Eternity - The Early Years 1939-1959

Corpus Christi - Sunday 11th June 2023

Exodus 16:1–36 describes how, to give them nutrition, God sent the Chosen People Bread from heaven - Manna, the bread of the immortals we read in Psalm 78 23-25 - as they journeyed through the desert towards the Promised

eternity, Paradise.

Jesus offers his whole life, all the PIES.

Physically, we should aim to act like Jesus, to live his virtues.

Intellectually, we should look at the world around us, as Jesus, to see people as Jesus sees them.

Emotionally, to love the SONG, self, others, nature and God as Jesus loves them.

Spiritually, to relate with God as Jesus does.

It is an invitation that is refreshed every time we receive holy communion. Beloved Jesus, Yesh, as we take you on board our lives, may we all become more like you as we journey on our way to eternity.

Latest News from Father Vlad

Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd

As their usual priest was away, I celebrated mass at St Catherine's House, Pembridge Square for the retired Assumption Sister living there. My 10.00am Sunday masses are at the Assumption Chapel, Kensington Square. Hence the contact.

Saturday 3rd drove Molly, the 90 year old whose minder I am. For a stay in Kent so she could spend time with her oldest child, Kevin – married to Mairi - living in that splendid county. Beautiful scenery with fine weather – a restful recharge out of London.

Previous Homilies

The Most Holy Trinity - 4th June 2023

Jesus said that, "Who believes in The Son, may not be lost but have eternal life."

"To believe in" is to commit yourself.

To believe in doing exercise, means your behaviour – and fitness – can verify the truth of your statement.

I believe in telling the truth – only time will tell if that is, indeed, your commitment. To say, "I believe in Jesus" means I am committed to his person and his values.

Living committed to that way of life and person enables me to become capax Dei, capable of life with God. Here, on earth, I am striving to give evidence of my love of Jesus – the one I call Yesh – and hope to be able to have eternal life once I am born into eternity and see God face to face.

My hope is a child of my belief and love – for The Blessed Trinity, which includes Jesus Christ, one of whose feasts, "Corpus Christi" we celebrate next Sunday.

Pentecost - 28th May 2023

Today Jesus tells us that "As the Father has sent me, so I am a sending you." Thanks to our Baptism, we have a vocation, an invitation, to play our part in shaping a more Christian culture where we live.

We can achieve that by living the seven capital Christian virtues which combine the four cardinal virtues of prudence, justice, temperance, and fortitude with the three theological virtues of faith, love and hope.

In the Catechism of the Catholic Church, (no.1832), we read that the fruits of the Holy Spirit – whose palpable presence at Pentecost we celebrate today - are twelve: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faithfulness, modesty, self-control and chastity.

For clerics, there is one more, 'keeping homilies short'.

After Mass, I will give you a handout of this homily so you can look at the list and see how you are getting on – and perhaps, keeping the list visible - each week concentrating on a couple of virtues. That way, by this time next year, you will have made progress. I look forward to seeing it!

The Universe Catholic

Father Vlad latest column on The Universe Catholic: <u>Universe Catholic Weekly - 26th May 2023 - 'Play up, play on, for the Lord'</u>

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Father Vlad's Radio Maria podcasts

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what I have learned and what I think.

Now, that I'm coming to the end of my life, I have finally learned how to live. Time's slippage nudged me to act on my dream of passing what I have learned on to others.

Father Vlad

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