

#### **Corpus Christi Catholic Church**

Our vision: we are a community brought together by God's love. Our baptism calls us to respond to that love by following Christ and serving our neighbours. We strengthen our union with Christ and with the Catholic Church through the celebration of the Eucharist. We foster works that promote the spirit of the Gospel including its relevance to social justice.

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace." 1 Peter 4:10

## Parish Newsletter Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2014

The fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time [Year A]

#### **WELCOME TO OUR SUNDAY MASS**

Readings from p.59 Parish Mass Book [Year A Part 1]

Mass details		Intentions
Saturday	9.30 am	Eugene Phiri RIP
•	6.00 pm	For our Parish Family
Sunday	9.00 am	No intention given
•	10.30 am	Louis Bacot RIP
	12.00 pm	Private intention
	6.00 pm	For Fr Adrian
Monday	9.30 am	Mary Reid RIP
Tuesday	9.30 am	No intention given
Wednesday	9.30 am	No intention given
Thursday	9.30 am	No intention given
Friday	9.30 am	No intention given
Next weekend		Next Saturday & Sunday
Saturday	9.30 am	No intention given
_	6.00 pm	No intention given
Sunday	9.00 am	For our Parish Family
	10.30 am	Monica Ramsden
	12.00 pm	Pat Bellamy RIP
	6.00 pm	No intention given



Please join us for reflection before the Blessed Sacrament and Confession this Saturday from 12 – 1 pm with the opportunity of praying the Rosary.

Next week's Readings: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
17 Feb Ecclesiasticus 15:15-20 Psalm 118
1 Corinthians 2: 6-10 Matthew 5:17-37

Thank you for your Mass Intentions – it is an honour to say them as soon as possible after they are received. If you would like to request a particular anniversary or "Month's Mind" then please complete one of the Intention envelopes, giving as much notice as possible, thank you.

Our Requiem Mass for Mary Reid will be held at 10 am on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February, followed by the burial at Streatham Park Cemetery, Rowan Road at 11.30 am. All are welcome to attend but please note there will be only one Mass that day at 10 am [rather than 9.30] to enable as many parishioners as possible to attend. We continue to keep the repose of the souls of Mary Reid, Pat Bellamy and all those who have died recently in our prayers and offer our sympathies to their family and friends.

Please note there will be no 'walk-in' 'open surgery' with Fr. Adrian this week but please contact the Parish Office from 10 am to 1pm if you have an urgent matter.

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**Sunday Masses:** Saturday Vigil 6:00pm and on Sunday 9:00am, 10.30am, 12:00pm and 6:00pm

#### Weekday Mass:

Church opens at 8:30am with Mass at 9.30 am, but please check the Mass Intention List for details

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** 

Saturdays from 12-1pm, ending with Benediction

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**Saturday 12-1pm and 7-7:30pm by arrangement

**Baptisms and Weddings by arrangement** Please see Fr. Adrian after Mass.

Office Open: Monday to Friday 10 am to 1 pm

Collections: Our sacrificial giving is part of our participation at Mass and a sharing of the blessings God gives us. Thank you for your support, our collections last week raised: £1331 for the work of the Parish. These sums include monies given in Gift Aid envelopes. Our thanks also go to those who donate by Banker's Order direct into the parish account. Do you pay tax on income, pension or savings? Have you signed a Gift Aid form? It does not cost you any further money but it helps the Parish greatly as we receive 25p from the Government for every £1 you give. Please ask Nigel or Joe (in the Repository) for details. Thank you.

10:30 Mass Hymns: Opening: 883 Prep of Gifts: 608

Communion: 631 Closing: 854

12:00 Mass Hymns: Opening: 883 Prep of Gifts: 865

Communion: 663 Closing: 721

## Living the Word in the Week Ahead:

What would you liken your faith to this week?
Which properties of salt do you express to those around you?
When is it a challenge for you not to hide your light?

We welcome the families of our First Holy Communion Children to the services of their children's First Sacrament of Reconciliation this weekend. Please continue to pray for them as they journey in faith.



# A date for Fr Adrian's formal induction and welcome as

Parish Priest had been arranged in October last year but it was postponed as key parish members were away. Inductions are normally held on key Saints' Days so Bishop Pat Lynch has set a new date for **7 pm on Monday 17**<sup>th</sup> **March, St Patrick's Day**. All are welcome to attend the celebration so please keep this evening free and email the Parish Office if you can help with the event [more information overleaf].

## ADVANCE NOTICE FOR COUPLES CELEBRATING SPECIAL MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations! If you are celebrating your 1<sup>st</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> or 60<sup>th</sup> plus anniversary, please apply for an invitation to our Special Mass on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June at St Georges' Cathedral. To receive an invitation please notify the Parish Office in writing and email marriagese@tiscali.co.uk. Thank you.

Our prayers go out to all the sick of our parish, or in need of any kind, and to those who care for them, especially: Clare Dow, Margaret Rakgomo, Gail Paddy Skehan, Brian White, Eugene Azevado, Mary Clarke, Sonia Miller, Violet Wilson, Alfred Owusu, Terrv McGarvey, Tom Glennon, Thomas. Jorge de Almeida, Magdeline Pooe, Francis Bernard, Pearl Harvey, Anna Lourenco, Peter Flaherty, Jacob Pridmore, Margaret & Vanda Haughton-James, Veronica Fitzpatrick, Beverley Owens, Joyce Hall, Martin Ward, Mary Magro, Felicia Elabor, Elizabeth Oghenedaro and Judith Prendergast.

The sick and housebound are very much at the heart of the church and support us in their prayers as we support them with ours at every Mass.

### Please pray for the repose of the souls of

Pat Bellamy, Mary Reid and Meme Janine Prebende who died recently and for John O'Shea, Samuel StHilaire, Ellen McEntaggart, James Findlay, Claris Wray, Cecilia Loizides, Patrick Snow and all those whose anniversaries occur near this time:

May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen.

CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP: SUPPORTING OUR PARISH Please note this weekend raffle tickets for the SVP will be on sale after all our Masses and next weekend 15/16<sup>th</sup> February we hold the annual second collection for Church Education. Please be aware that to hold with our charity regulations this collection is not a retiring collection but is held after Holy Communion. Thank you for your support.

CHILD SAFEGUARDING DETAILS: Childline: 0800 1111 Local Advisor: Yogi Sutton 07891039861 Diocesan Advisor: Helen Sheppard 020 7960 2504

ALTAR SERVERS: 16 Feb Rota B 23 Feb Rota A

Thank you for being available to serve at the altar. Please remember: **up to 8** children can serve each Mass and there are some Masses where we have little or no servers. **By way of a 'thank you' to those who were able to help over Christmas and as a general appreciation of all our servers we are planning an Altar Servers Party on Sunday 23 February from 2-4 <b>pm.** Invitations with reply slips are available in the Sacristy but please RSVP so that we can plan the event and know how many to cater for. Thank you.

**CLEANING THIS WEEK:** Group 3 Please consider joining or re-joining a cleaning team – see Peter B. for details.

**TEAS AND COFFEES NEXT SUNDAY: Team 6** 

### 6<sup>th</sup> March Memorial Mass for Fr Tom • 15<sup>th</sup> March St Patrick's Party in Corpus Christi School • 17<sup>th</sup> March Fr Adrian's Mass of Induction

A message from Fr Adrian: "Last year celebrations for St Patrick's were cancelled in the parish in respect of how soon it was after Fr Tom's death and I am aware that some of the school parents and parish members are asking when the Induction is. Bishop Patrick Lynch has given the date for my Induction Mass (the Mass where a Parish Priest is welcomed into the community) as 17<sup>th</sup> March, the Feast of St Patrick. This date holds significance not only because of our annual celebrations for the Feast of St Patrick, but because last year many were able to attend a Vigil Mass for Fr Tom, whose funeral was held the next day on 18<sup>th</sup> March.

On the actual anniversary of Fr Tom's death, 6<sup>th</sup> March, we have a Requiem Mass, to which everyone is invited, at 7.30 pm, but we will also be holding a whole-school Mass for Fr Tom at 9.30 am on Ash Wednesday, the day before. I will lead prayers for Fr Tom at the Mass of Induction but also for Cllr Mark Bennett, who has just died so suddenly, as Cllr Bennett had planned to be at the Induction in his capacity as Mayor of Lambeth.

Although there will be a reception in the school hall after the Induction Mass, I would like to emphasise that this is not intended to take the place of any joint Parish/School celebrations for St Patrick that are due to be held on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March. I have asked that the St Patrick celebrations go ahead in the school rather than be postponed, as this will be an opportunity for me to gather with many of the families who cannot be present at the Induction, as 17th March falls on a Monday evening. As the Feast of St Patrick falls when it does it may be difficult for some to attend but (as my family are Scots/Irish) I would like this to be an opportunity where we can gather together as a parish and school family, to look to the past to continue the wonderful work Fr Tom did; to look to the future to help build our community together and to celebrate and call upon the prayers of St Patrick to guide us all in the way ahead.

May God continue to bless you and all the family, Fr Adrian."

The season of school references has not entirely finished but you may be interested to know that it has been independently verified that to date Fr Adrian has completed 444 parish references for 120 nursery/primary applications and 60 secondary school applications. These applications were to 37 different nursery/primary schools and 38 different secondary schools. Sadly only 32% of the primary schools and only 40% of the secondary schools were Catholic. This does reflect the difficulty parents have in obtaining a Catholic place, reflected also in how well over a third [37%] of last year's Corpus Christi Year 6 leavers went to non-Catholic Schools.

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