



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 7th December 2014
2nd Sunday of Advent [Year B]

WELCOME TO OUR SUNDAY MASS

Please use the sheet overleaf for our Mass readings...

Mass details	Intentions
Saturday 9.30 am	Agneroh Fidel RIP
6.00 pm	For Our Parish Family
Sunday 9.00 am	Ken Proctor RIP
10.30 am	Pater & Margaret Banasko
12.00 pm	UCM
6.00 pm	Holy Souls
Monday 9.30 am	Tess McKenna Whyte RIP (anniv)
Tuesday 9.30 am	Martin Usloh
Wednesday 9.30 am	Rosa Clarisse Agneroh
Thursday 9.30 am	Jeffrey A Dininny
Friday 9.30 am	Rosa Clarisse Agneroh
Next weekend	Next Saturday & Sunday
Saturday 9.30 am	Michael Houghton-James RIP
6.00 pm	Ned Butler RIP (anniv)
Sunday 9.00 am	Minja & Craffhill Family
10.30 am	For Our Parish Family
12.00 pm	Estela Cablin RIP
6.00 pm	Amelia Morar RIP



Please join us for our Holy Hour of reflection before the Blessed Sacrament this Saturday from 12-1 pm. The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is available during this time.

Next week's Readings: Third Sunday of Advent (B)

14 Dec Isaiah 61:1-11 Psalm: Lk 1:46-54, R/ls 61:10
Thessalonians 5:16-24 John 1:6-28

Living the Word, this week:

- How will you prepare 'the way of the Lord' this week?
- Where are you aware of the Lord sending messengers to your life this week?
- What do you need to acknowledge, repent and seek forgiveness for this week?

Sorry to be out of touch again!

Unfortunately we are still experiencing trouble with our BT email so if you've been waiting for a reply to an email you sent please bear with us. In addition to the cable that was cut, our problems stem from how BT has ended their link with Yahoo, causing our online settings not to work. BT still hasn't fully fixed our problem and the only message of apology has come online from Yahoo, however, please let me add my own further apology to any delays as it is very frustrating. If you need to contact me, please call during Parish Office hours. With my thanks and prayers, Fr Adrian

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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.

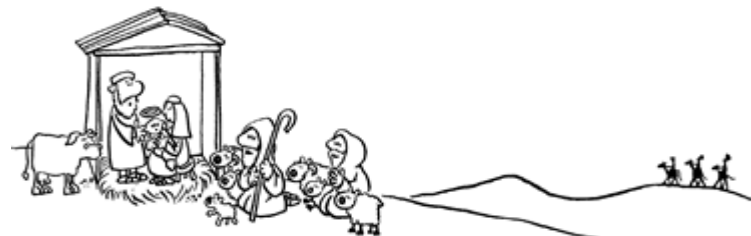
Office Open: Monday to Friday 10 am to 1 pm

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: £1312 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 21p from the Government for every £1 you give. Please ask Nigel or Joe (in the Repository) for details. Thank you.*

*Please pray for the family of our banking volunteers as illness has meant we have been unable to publish the figures this week.

10:30 Hymns: Entrance: 106 Prep of Gifts: 639
Communion: 99 & 938 Closing: 347

12:00 Hymns: Entrance: 94 Prep of Gifts: 721
Communion: 627 Closing: 880



Vigil Mass of the Nativity of Our Lord, 6pm Christmas Eve

Our First Mass of Christmas is a Family Mass with carols and a short Nativity where, as in years past, the children of our Parish are invited to take part. **If you would like your children to be involved in the Nativity please come along to the Dress Rehearsal, starting promptly at 10am on Christmas Eve.** We start in the Church Hall and will finish in the church at 11.30am. In addition to your child helping with the Nativity **we do need adult helpers too, so please think about joining this little team.** To give us an idea of numbers so that we can arrange the costumes and know who will be available on the day please contact Robert Eaglestone (on r.eaglestone@rhul.ac.uk), copying Fr Adrian into the email. Thank you.



Thank you to all who help in any way in our Parish with special thanks to our Readers and Extraordinary Ministers. A new Ministry rota is available from the Repository together with a gift from the Parish of the prayer book 'Walk with Me': a journey of prayer for Advent and Christmas tide. If you are a Reader or Extraordinary Minister and haven't yet received your rota or your prayer book please see Joseph in the Repository. **Please also set aside the morning of Saturday 7th February from 9am to 1pm for a time of Reflection and Renewal of your Ministry.**

FAITH ENQUIRY [RCIA] GROUP If you would like to learn more about being a Catholic Christian or about how to be baptised or confirmed you are warmly invited to a series of enquiry meetings in the Parish Hall each Wednesday from 7.30-8.45pm. For more information please see Fr Adrian, Bridget or Yogi.

ADVENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

Over the next four weeks all are welcome to join our Wednesday faith enquiry group for a time of discussion, prayer and reflection on the following topics:

10 December Salvation history (the Fall and beyond)

17 December The Christmas Story

Please join us in the Parish Hall from 7.30-8.45pm.



Please join us for a festival of readings and carols on the 4th Sunday of Advent, 21st December from 5.30-6pm, leading directly into the last Advent Mass at 6pm (refreshments in the Hall 5-5.30pm)

Please pray for the repose of the souls of

Carl Daley, Sheila Willis, John Baron 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**

Our prayers go out to all the sick of our parish, or in need of any kind, and to those who care for them:

Eileen O'Callaghan, Magdeline Pooe, Margaret Rakgomo, Gail Mylne, Brian White, Sonia Miller, Alfred Owusu, Martin Ward, Teresa McGarvey, Tom Glennon, Terry Thomas, Anna Lourenco, Peter Flaherty, Jacob Pridmore, Joyce Hall, Veronica Fitzpatrick, Vanda Houghton-James, Beverley Owens, James Apea, Elizabeth Brown, Elizabeth Oghenedaro, Jane Willcox, Judith Newman, Kathleen Tormey, Magdalene Hibbert, Dave Spencer, Barbara & Marva Ricketts, Sue Murray, Esmerelda McKay, Catherine & Patricia Alade, Lolita Bartlett and Sam & Wendy Simpson

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.

Our local Jesuit Community is away this weekend on an Advent Retreat so we welcome Fr Lukasz and Fr. Simon from St. Bede's Parish, Clapham Park, who will be saying our Saturday Vigil, Sunday 12noon and 6pm Masses.



6th Form, Secondary School Transfers Sept. 2015 and Nursery/Reception Applications **PLUS "Open Hours" time for any general enquiry to see Fr Adrian.** The next of many 'drop-in' times when open appointments are available will be held in the Priest's House on:

Wed 10 Dec 10.30am – 12.30pm

Thr 11 Dec 12.45pm – 1.45pm

Fri 12 Dec 3pm-6pm and Mon 15 Dec 2pm-4pm

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR PARISH PARTY with live music by 'Holy Smoke' on Saturday 13th December in the School Hall from 7pm. Please share in the festive fun by celebrating all the cultures and food represented by our community by dressing in your national costume and bringing your favourite food. To help us know how many will be there tickets are on sale this weekend for £1 per adult [accompanied children free]. **To help us plan the table layout please let us know what food you will be bringing for our shared buffet by using the sign-up sheet in the porch.** All proceeds raised by the evening will be used to help provide the CCTV system that will help to keep our church open and safe for the whole community.



Our Christmas Grand Draw will be held on Saturday December 13th during our Parish Party in the School Hall from 7pm. All are welcome, so please see the note above and come along. The draw this year is generously being sponsored entirely by Highways Ltd. Tickets are priced at 50p each and a whole book at £5. The 1st Prize is £200, 2nd £100 and 3rd £50.

Corpus Christi Parent and Toddler Playgroup are blessed with a number of toys and equipment but have little space to tidy them away. It would be amazing if someone could help build some lockable cupboards in our Hall storage as the area is quite unsafe. **If you are a Carpenter/Joiner and can help, or you could help donate the materials, please contact Fr Adrian.** Thank you

CHILD SAFEGUARDING DETAILS: Childline: 0800 1111
Local Advisor: Yogi Sutton 07891039861
Diocesan Advisor: Helen Sheppard 020 7261 1606

CLEANING THIS WEEK: Group 5

TEAS & COFFEES: Team 8

ALTAR SERVERS: 7 Dec Rota A

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR ALTAR SERVERS, your assistance at Mass is a great help. Currently we have 50 children signed up to serve at our Masses, but not everyone turning up. If your child has stopped serving please let Fr. Adrian know if they would like to serve again or if they would like to leave the Servers group.

If you are currently serving please reserve the dates below for important practices for existing and new servers plus a meeting to plan the Christmas services. If you would like to serve at Christmas please sign the sheets in the Sacristy as up to 8 servers can serve at each Mass. Thank you

Sunday 7th December 4-5pm new & existing servers
Saturday 13th December 5.15-5.45pm all servers please