



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 03 January 2016

Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord [Year C]

WELCOME TO OUR SUNDAY MASS

Please use the sheet overleaf for our Mass readings

Mass details		Intentions	
Saturday	6.00 pm	Rev. Michael Cuffe RIP [FM]	
Sunday	9.00 am	For our Parish Family	
	10.30 am	Michael Scully RIP	
	12.00 pm	Lauraine Smith and family	
	6.00 pm	Private Intention	
Monday	9.30 am	Fr Isidore Bonabom RIP	
Tuesday	9.30 am	Thanksgiving	
Wednesday	9.30 am	*	
Thursday	9.30 am	*	
Friday	9.30 am	*	
Next weekend		Next Saturday & Sunday	
Saturday	6.00 pm	*	
Sunday	9.00 am	*	
	10.30 am	For our Parish Family	
	12.00 pm	Gertrude Gormley RIP	
	6.00 pm	*	
		* = Mass Intention available	



Please join us for our Holy Hour of reflection before the Blessed Sacrament on Saturday from 5-5.45 pm. The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is available during this time. NB: though we have no morning Mass on Saturdays there is Mass at 10 am at Our Lady of the Rosary, Brixton.

Next week's Readings: *Baptism of the Lord (C)*

10 January Isaiah 40:1-11 Psalm 103
Titus 2:11-3:7 Luke 3:15-22

Music & Hymns for the Mass

10:30 Hymns: Entrance 167 Prep of Gifts: TWI
Communion: Choir & 938 Closing: 170
12:00 Hymns: Entrance: 166 Prep of Gifts: 165
Communion: 162 & 846 Closing: 170



"...you revealed in Christ your eternal plan of salvation and showed him as the light of all peoples. Now that his glory has shown among us you have renewed humanity in his immortal image."
From the Preface of the Epiphany

May the Light of Christ guide you through the New Year ahead.

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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 5-5.45 pm, ending with Benediction

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)
Saturday 5-5.45 pm and 6.50-7:15 pm 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: **£904** 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.**

LIVING THE WORD THIS WEEK

How will you sincerely seek the Lord in your life this week/year? Where will you allow the 'showing' of God in Jesus to transform your life this week/year? When does the presence of the Lord in your life call you to do things in other ways this week/year?

For Parents:

Epiphany is the time to bless your home. Looking back over the year recount the many ways you have been blessed.

What blessings will you ask for this year?

For Children:

Place your figures of the Magi in the crib. What gift will you give to Jesus this week?

Family Prayer

A Blessing for the Home.
Oh God, you revealed your Son to all people by the shining light of a star.
We pray that you bless this home and all who live here with your gracious presence.
May your love be our inspiration, your wisdom our guide, your truth our light, and your truth our benediction:
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Finish by marking the outside of your home with chalk
20+C+M+B+16

CONFIRMATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION NEWS

Please note that next *Saturday 9 January* from 9.30am to 4pm the **Confirmation Candidates** meet in the School Hall for their Day of Prayer and Reflection. Will parents please ensure their children are at the school for a prompt start and put in writing (to hand in on the day) if they give permission for their child to go home without being collected by their parents or to leave at the end of the day by themselves or with others.

Next weekend there will be a letter to collect for all our **First Holy Communion** families but please note the next Communion Class is for children only in the Parish Hall from 10-11.30am on **Saturday 16 January** followed by one the same time, a fortnight later, on 30 January.

In addition to this, please note that

Candidates' parents are asked to attend two classes in the church at 7.30pm on **20 January and 3 February**. These are joint meetings with our RCIA group and focus on the Sacraments. NB these are for parents only, not the children.

OUR FAITH ENQUIRY [RCIA] GROUP for adults who wish to learn more about their faith or to be baptised or confirmed will resume group meetings in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm on Wednesday 13th January 2016. All are welcome but please see Fr Adrian, Bridget or Yogi for some more information if you would like to come. Thank you.

Our **Parent and Toddler 'Stay & Play'** group [PATS] Please remember that from 6 January each Wednesday and Friday morning during term-time we have. **The group are looking for volunteers to help in the kitchen on Wednesday mornings from 9:00 to 11:30 am.**



Can you help? Do you know someone who can? Then please contact Carina on 07940 574783.

Could you help with a new monthly lunch club?

This club will be open to all parishioners. We have a few people to help plan the lunch club but need a team of at least 10-15 volunteers to help buy, prepare and cook the food and to set-up, serve and then clear away. If you would like to be involved or would like to know more then please speak to Fr Adrian or contact John Bateson-Hill on 020 7652 0796 or 07722 260 434

Parish Council Annual Prayer and Reflection

Please remember that all PPC members are called together to take part in this time of reflection. We begin at **7.30pm on Friday 22 January**, and close at **3.30pm on Saturday 23 January** to allow for members of the PPC to gather back together with their families, however, wherever possible, PPC members are invited to attend the Holy Hour and Vigil Mass from 5pm on the Saturday. Apart from the Holy Hour and Mass the PPC reflection takes place in Corpus Christi School.



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

CLEANING THIS WEEK: Group 1
TEAS & COFFEES: Team 8
ALTAR SERVERS: 03 Jan Rota A

NEXT Group 2
NEXT Team 1
10 Jan Rota B



Thanks again to all our Children's Liturgy Leaders and the volunteers who help them. We hope that you have been able to get some time with family and friends during the

Christmas break and resume our Children's Liturgy next Sunday, 9 January at both the 9.00 and 10.30 Masses. New helpers are always welcome and if you can help please see Fr Adrian after Mass. We will soon need a new helper for our 9am team and if you would like more information about the class outline please have a chat with Fr Adrian and Michael Wicherek in the porch after Mass this weekend or next. Thank you.

Are you a parent seeking baptism for your child?

Please note our next baptism class is on Saturday 16 January 2016. An invitation will be sent to those who have already applied and any other parents should see Fr Adrian for further details.



A you a fan of The Great British Bake Off?

Mary Berry's TV company has asked if we have parishioners from all the countries this Parish represents, who like cooking special Easter treats? The TV crew would love to hear about how the different cultures of our congregation celebrate Easter and if we have any celebrated home cooks who would love the idea of meeting Mary and cooking up a favourite Easter treat with her, or perhaps have an unusual story that goes along with a recipe, or family tradition from your country (for example the blessing of Easter Baskets from Poland). If you are interested and would like more information, please speak to Fr Adrian after Mass.



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

We remember especially our petitions in the Sacred Heart Book of Prayer and for Teresa Morris, Magdalene Hibbert, Claire Gay, Sue Murray, Edith Emeyeuonu, Kenza Tiehi, Ernest Henry, Theo Wharfe, Esme McKay, Catalina Snowdon, John Keane, Marva & Donna Ricketts, Regina Oyonwo, Teresa Usoh, Beverley Lesley and Sam & Wendy Simpson.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of

Rosemarie McGoven,
James Lally, Ellen Terrell,
Joseph Nicholas, Julia Honan,
Vera Pantaleo, Philip Lonergan,
David Edwards, Beatrice Morgan,
Bernard Hetmanski, Bridget Devine,
Jean-Francois Pascal,

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.

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