



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 17th April 2016

4th Sunday of Easter VOCATIONS SUNDAY [Year C]

WELCOME TO OUR SUNDAY MASS

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

Mass details	Intentions
Saturday 6.00 pm	Louise Russell & Bridget Canavan RIP
Sunday 9.00 am	Robert Wegrzyn
10.30 am	Margaret Smith
12.00 pm	For our Parish Family
6.00 pm	Janet Butler and Family
Monday 9.30 am	Corpus Christi School
Tuesday 9.30 am	NB: Communion Service
Wednesday 9.30 am	Helene Pemba
Thursday 9.30 am	Mr & Mrs Majewski (newly married)
Friday 9.30 am	*
Next weekend	Next Saturday & Sunday
Saturday 6.00 pm	*
Sunday 9.00 am	*
10.30 am	Paschalia Machiwa RIP [Anniv.]
12.00 pm	For our Parish Family
6.00 pm	Claire Dow RIP (anniv)
	* = 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: Fifth Sunday of Easter (C)

24 Apr	Acts 14:21-27	Psalm: 144
	Apocalypse 21:1-5	John 13:31-35

Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations and, as announced last week, there will be a second collection for Ecclesiastical Education. This will help meet the costs of training students for the permanent diaconate and students for the priesthood, and to help with the ongoing formation of the clergy and the training of future Church leaders.

Pilgrimage to Aylesford on Saturday 7 May.

This Pilgrimage is being arranged by The Legion of Mary and will cost £13 - to be paid when booking. Travel will be by coach at 9am from Brixton Water Lane with an expected return from Aylesford at 4.30pm. For more information, contact Mary Boakye on 07950 496841 or 020 7587 1936. A 50-seat coach has been booked in advance so please see Joseph in the Repository to book a seat by paying £13 in advance. Thank you.

Parish Priest: Fr Adrian McKenna-Whyte BTh MSc
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With Mass cover from the local Jesuit Community and support from the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary

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Archdiocesan website: www.rcsouthwark.co.uk

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 on last week raised: **£1478** 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.*

Music & Hymns for the Mass

10:30 Hymns: Entrance: 321 Prep of Gifts: 600
Communion: Choir & 802 Closing 279

12:00 Hymns: Entrance: 762 Prep of Gifts: 761
Communion: 965 Closing: 768

LIVING THE WORD THIS WEEK

Where do you hear the voice of the Risen Lord speak to you this week? How does knowing you already have eternal life impact on your behaviour this week? Where is the Greatness of the Father evident in your life this week?

Children

Take time to listen to Jesus' voice this week.
Look out for the Greatness of the Father this week.

Families

Jesus says that the sheep hear his voice and they follow Him. How well do we hear Jesus in our day? Choose one meal this week where you will talk about how you heard Jesus. Maybe think about how you listen to one another: could you improve the listening? Make the Sign of Peace at the end of your meal. What do you think your family vocation might be?

Prayer

You love me and watch over me always, in my joys and in my pain. Help me not to be deceived by the world around me. Thank you for the great gift of your love and protection and for my faith in you, which shapes my life. May my heart be open to an awareness of your great love and may we carry that love to those we pass each day who need it the most. **Amen.**

We look forward to holding our **Summer Fair on Saturday 25 June** and would like to draw together a team to coordinate the event. If you have been involved before or would like to help please email BrixtonRC@btinternet.com putting Summer Fair in the subject box and come along to a planning meeting at 7pm on Sat. 7th May. Thank you.

Corpus Christ 2016 Christmas Grand Draw

If you know of a business or family who would like to sponsor the Christmas Grand Draw then please make yourself known to Fr Adrian via the parish contact e-mail. The cost of sponsorship is £500 and for this your family name or business could be printed on the 10,000 tickets and will be promoted through the parish newsletter. Alternatively, if you wish, the donor can remain anonymous.

London Citizens Mayoral Accountability Assembly April 28th at 6.30pm in the Copper Box, Olympic Park

As before previous elections, London Citizens are holding a public Assembly to ask the Mayoral candidates' views on a range of key topics identified as of importance to everyone: Housing, a London Living Rent, the Living Wage and Employment Opportunities. As we are members of London Citizens, **a group from the parish will be attending and you are invited to join us.** For more information, please ask Barbara Wilson basiawilson1@gmail.com, Peter Beaumont or Fr Adrian. There is a sign up sheet on the notice board with more details Please note: if the numbers of people wanting to go from the Parish are sufficient we will arrange transport direct to the venue, otherwise we will travel by public transport.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION FAMILIES – PLEASE NOTE:

having had the rehearsal for 23 April last Friday (15th April), the practices and celebrations are now as follows:

PRACTICE DATE	for	date of the Celebration
6 – 7pm Friday 6th May	for	Saturday 7th May 3pm
6 – 7pm Friday 6th May	for	Saturday 14th May 3pm
6 – 7pm Friday 13th May	for	Saturday 21st May 3pm

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, Ernest Henry, Amanda Fenlon, Esme McKay, John Keane, Marva & Donna Ricketts, Regina Oyonwo, Teresa Usuh, Beverley Lesley, Judith Newman and Sam & Wendy Simpson. and all those whose anniversaries occur near this time.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of

Bridget Canavan, Maud Collins, Lawrence Delia, Bruna Nicholas, Irene Jones, Molly Crotty, Claire Dow 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

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 7
ALTAR SERVERS: 17 Apr Rota B

NEXT Group 2
NEXT Team 8
24 Apr Rota A

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

'God has created me to do him some definite service.'

Blessed John Henry Newman

What is a vocation? Within the Church 'vocation' is used in various ways according to how they apply to Christian living. Everybody has a vocation and discovering that vocation is a key step on the journey of faith. The fundamental vocation is the call to be baptised or, for somebody baptised as a child, the call to affirm that baptism personally. **To be baptised is to accept Christ's call to follow him in a new way of life. This is the way of holiness; it involves loving attention to the needs of others and to Christ, strengthened by the Holy Spirit and living as an active member of the Body of Christ, the Church.** As a congress of church leaders put it: "Holiness is the universal vocation of every person. It is the main road onto which converge all the little paths that are particular vocations."



The root meaning of vocation is calling and the first calling shared by all Christians is holiness as a member of the Church. Once a person takes seriously their personal call to holiness, then the other dimensions of Christian vocation are opened up. Another dimension is the state of life to which Christ calls people. There are four basic states of life within the Catholic Church: marriage, consecrated life, priesthood and the single state as a lay person. Each of these is demanding and people need help to discern which of these Christ is calling them to. **The final dimension of Christian vocation is the work that people do,** whether that work is being a farm worker, a chief executive or a home maker. Vocation as applied to certain jobs is still in common use but for the Christian, any work that conforms to the law of God can be vocational not just work in the public sector of education or health: a married woman working in a factory or a layman committed to celibacy who works in the media. The work is vocational if it is carried out as an expression of the person's quest for holiness and in a way that is compatible with their state of life.

So an individual vocation is the integration of these dimensions in the life of one person. Over time, the different elements can vary; so, for example, a married person may spend some years a widow or widower. The factor that unites all these dimensions into a whole is love: 'Many people mistake our work for our vocation. Our vocation is the love of Jesus.' (Saint Teresa of Calcutta)

Please take time to pray for vocations in today's Church. Thank you.

Next weekend, the Fifth Sunday of Easter please support the annual second collection for St. George's Cathedral, the mother church of our Diocese. This collection will then be used towards the upkeep and maintenance of our Cathedral. RC Archdiocese of Southwark: Registered Charity No. 235468