



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.

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 4th September 2016

23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time [Year C]

WELCOME TO OUR SUNDAY MASS

PARISH MINISTRIES

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

Thank you for all those who help minister in the parish in any way, whether practically or prayerfully. Each of us has a role to play in serving the Lord and building his Kingdom in our local church and community. The Vision heading appears on each newsletter but please take time to read it and prayerfully think about the ways you can bring this vision to light in your life, in your home and in our Parish.

Mass details		Intentions
Saturday	6.00 pm	*
Sunday	9.00 am	Kathleen Tormey RIP [Anniv.]
	10.30 am	*
	12.00 pm	UCM
	6.00 pm	For our Parish Family
Monday	9.30 am	Fr Tony Pitta
Tuesday	9.30 am	NB: Communion Service
Wednesday	9.30 am	*
Thursday	9.30 am	*
Friday	9.30 am	*
Next weekend		Next Saturday & Sunday
Saturday	6.00pm	William Metcalf & Pro Pop.
Sunday	9.00am	Josie Swaine RIP [Anniv.]
	10.30am	Adeleja: DG & M Unogu RIP
	12.00pm	M Unogu RIP & Adeleja: DG
	6.00pm	Africa Yabut RIP [1 st Anniv.]
		* = Mass Intention available

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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 5-5.45pm & 6.50-7:15pm by arrangement

Baptisms and Weddings by arrangement

Please see Fr. Adrian to make an appointment.

Office Open: Monday to Friday 10 am to 1 pm

Hall Bookings call 01372457651 or 07886000882

www.lowcosthalls.co.uk or <http://tinyurl.com/gpqbz9>

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: **£909** for the work of the Parish as a number of people were away on holiday. *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.*

Parish News ... Mass was said this Wednesday for **Monsignor Antonio Pitta, Fr Tony**, as he is fondly known, who returns to his role as a New Testament scholar in the Vatican. Fr Tony has helped us each August for the last three years and assures us of his prayers as he returns to Rome, always appreciative of the welcome our Parish Family gives him. **We also say a fond farewell to Fr Jake Dicto** who has been helping us since March but we hope to see him every now and then as we have a new addition to our Family as **we welcome our new Assistant Priest, Fr David Howell, this week.** Fr David studied in Rome and was ordained by Archbishop Peter in St George's Cathedral on 16th July this year. Sadly, as you will see, the work on the Priests' House has not yet finished. It has been many decades since any refurbishment work was done and in preparing the rooms for Fr David and putting in new windows, many of the floor joists and lintels have rotted away. Arrangements have been made to ensure the work of the Parish continues until the Priests' House is ready, but please pray for the work to be completed soon so that Fr David can truly be welcomed to his new home. As a result of the delay, please note that we will continue to have a Communion service on Tuesdays until Mass resumes on 11th October. With my prayers as ever, *Fr Adrian.*



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: Twenty-fourth Sunday OT (C)

11 Sep Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14 Psalm 50
1 Timothy 1:12-17 Luke 15:1-32

Music & Hymns for the Mass

10:30 Hymns: Entrance: 864 Prep of Gifts: 611
Communion: Choir & 660 Closing: Choir

12:00 Hymns: Entrance: TBA Prep of Gifts: TBA
Communion: TBA Closing: TBA

Next Sunday it is Education Sunday and there will be a second collection for the Catholic Education Service. Which acts on behalf of the Catholic Bishops' Conference to support and advise of all matters affecting Catholic education. On 18th September it is Home Mission Day when there will be a second collection to help assist the Bishops' of England and Wales with resources to help spread the Gospel in our own country.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation News

Thank you for the tremendously positive response we have had from the parents and children of those eligible for to apply for the Sacramental Programmes which begin this Autumn. To date we have had **70** First Holy Communion enquiries and **40** Confirmation enquiries, although it is expected that these numbers will rise. **If you missed the Catechesis meeting for Parents on 13 July, then please see Fr Adrian to collect the actual application form for the programmes, but please keep 21 September from 7.30-9 pm** free as this is a 'catch-up' session for all eligible parents who missed either 29 June or 13 July. Given the tremendous numbers of potential Candidates and the relatively few numbers of parents to help with Catechesis, following a small trial of running a **First Holy Communion** class as an after-school activity, it is planned to respond to the needs of the children by forming two groups: one on a **Thursday from 3.30-4.30 pm** for children at Corpus Christi school and a second group for children attending other schools. The first group may be about sixty in number and the second group may have up to twenty children. Given these numbers, depending on the availability of parents to help with catechesis, **the smaller group may be meeting on a Sunday from 4.30-5.30 pm. However, if Catechists and parents are available, it may be possible to hold this on a Thursday from 4-5 pm instead.** If you have been involved as a Communion Catechist in the past or would be interested and could be available to help (on either a Sunday or a Thursday, please see Fr Adrian in person after Mass), thank you. **It is planned that we keep the night of our Confirmation classes to a Friday evening, from 7 to 8.15 pm as in previous years, but it is proposed that after a weekly introduction during Advent, the Confirmation programme would then become every other week from January** (in term-time only), leading up to the **Sacrament of Confirmation which will be celebrated by Archbishop Peter Smith on June 11 at 3 pm.** The exact details of both programmes will follow in due course, once we are aware of the number of Catechists and helpers. A meeting will be held for all the catechists to discuss when best to hold the sessions depending on their availability. **We open to suggestions and will plan according to how many candidates and helpers we have. If you have any views on the timings or would like to help as a catechist for First Holy Communion or Confirmation, please see Fr Adrian.**

Our prayers go out to all those who are in need of any kind in our parish, to those who are unwell and to all those who care for them: we remember especially all the petitions in our Sacred Heart Book of Prayer and

Magdalene Hibbert, Sue Murray, Ernest Henry,
Amanda Fenlon, Esme McKay, John Keane,
Marva & Donna Ricketts, Teresa Usuh, Beverley Lesley,
Caoimhghin McCann, Judith Newman, Marisa Delpoio,
Kathleen Hetmanski and Sam & Wendy Simpson.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of

David Beaumont, Margaret Collins, Simona Leonard,
Phyllis Craig, Elsie Binder, Nora Walsh, Africa Yabut.

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

6th Form, Secondary School Transfers 2016 and Nursery/Reception Applications

If your child was born ...

between 1 September 2012 and 31 August 2013 you're able to apply for a reception place for 2017/18 through Lambeth Council and the school concerned. If you are **seeking a Nursery** place you apply directly to the nursery/school of your choice.

If your child was born ...

between 1 September 2005 and 31 August 2006

you're able to apply for a secondary school transfer place for **2017/18** through Lambeth Council and the schools you would like to select as an option.

Naturally, the transfer and application process can be an anxious and difficult time for both parents and children. As every year at this time, please be assured that requests for references are dealt with as soon as they are received from the parents and/or schools concerned. Some schools will ask parents to obtain the reference from Fr Adrian themselves and others will post them directly or ask Fr Adrian to send them to the school himself.

Please note that all parents applying for a reference must see Fr Adrian and complete a Parish request for each child seeking a place or transfer. **This is a Parish form, not the school one and is called the "Initial Application for a School Reference from the Parish Priest"** These forms can be collected from Fr Adrian after every Mass each weekend from next week. Please complete and return this form in an envelope addressed to Fr. Adrian clearly marked 'School Reference' together with your child's name on the front of the envelope. To ensure that all children are able to receive a reference, each family making an application must see Fr Adrian in person so that he can discuss the reference with you and your child, if possible. This year **"Reference appointments" are booked through Fr Adrian after Mass.** A range of dates and times will be available over the next few months, but the first appointments in the Priest's House are on:

**Monday 19 September from 14.00 to 16.00 and
Wednesday 28 September from 16.00 to 18.00**

Please note: appointments cannot be booked over the phone and are not 'drop-in', so please make sure you see Fr Adrian after Mass on a Sunday if you need to book one. **Please return the forms before booking an appointment so that Fr Adrian can have your details to hand. Thank you.**

August 200 Club Winners:

260 Paulina Brew £20,
19 Jan Butler £10, 7 Susanna Mundy-Castle £5

CHILD SAFEGUARDING DETAILS: Childline 0800 1111

Local Advisor: Yogi Sutton 07891039861

Diocesan Advisor: Helen Sheppard 020 7261 1606

CLEANING THIS WEEK: Group 1 **NEXT** Group 2
TEAS & COFFEES: Team 3 **NEXT** Team 4

ALTAR SERVERS: 04 Sep Rota B 11 Sep Rota A

RC Archdiocese of Southwark: Registered Charity No. 235468

