



+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 22 January 2017

WELCOME TO OUR SUNDAY MASS

3rd Sunday Ordinary Time [Year A]

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

Mass details		Intentions
Saturday	6.00 pm	For Our Parish Family
Sunday	9.00 am	Maureen Reid
	9.15 am	HMP Brixton
	10.30 am	Thomas Loughnane RIP
	12.00 pm	Johnny Griffiths RIP
Monday	6.00 pm	*
Tuesday	9.30 am	Kieron Pass
Wednesday	9.30 am	*
Thursday	9.30 am	Margaret Boyle and Family
	12 noon	June Cella RIP
Friday	9.30 am	Requiem: Noel Donlon RIP
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	Next weekend	Next Saturday & Sunday
Saturday	9.30 am	*
	6.00 pm	*
Sunday	9.00 am	For Our Parish Family
	9.15 am	HMP Brixton
	10.30 am	Baiget & Scalbert families
	12.00 pm	Patricia Bellamy RIP [Anniv.]
	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.

Next Sunday's Readings: **Fourth Sunday Ordinary Time (A)**

29 Jan	Zephaniah 2:3-3:13	Psalm: 145
	1 Corinthians 1:26-31	Matthew 5:1-12

Music & Hymns for the Mass

10:30 Hymns: Entrance: 883 Prep of Gifts: 600
 Communion: Music & 630 Closing: 854

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

Corpus Christi Parish is closely involved in working with other local faith groups. The next **South London Inter Faith Group** takes place at Streatham Friends Meeting House, Redlands Way, Roupell Park Estate, Brixton Hill, SW2 3LU, on Thursday 26th January, from 12.30 – 2pm. A vegetarian lunch will be served at 12.30pm and then between 1pm and 2pm we will have an opportunity to share inter faith news and concerns. All are welcome to attend – just turn up.

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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/gpqbza9>

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: **£1473** 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

Which news makes you want to withdraw this week? What does it mean for you that 'the Kingdom of God is close at hand' this week? Where do you hear Jesus calling you this week?

For Children

Jesus begins to call the disciples by name this week. He calls you by name too, to be one of His disciples; what does it feel like to know that? How do you imagine the Kingdom of God? What can you do as a disciple, to bring this about?

For Families.

The quote from Isaiah is from the first reading at Christmas eve. Read the poem together and see where it might offer you new areas for discipleship.

Prayer. When the song of the angels is stilled,
When the star in the sky is gone,
When the kings and princes are home,
When the shepherds are back with their flock,
The work of Christmas begins:

To find the lost,
To heal the broken,
To feed the hungry,
To release the prisoner,
To rebuild the nations,
To bring peace among brothers and sisters,
To make music in the heart. **Amen**

SORRY FOR THE COLD CHURCH AND HALL ...

During the last week, we received the unfortunate news that a main part of our heating system for the Church and hall has failed, resulting in the boilers having to be decommissioned until the new parts can be put in place. In addition to this, as part of our annual health and safety inspection, the electrical fuse boards in the Church and hall have been earmarked for replacement to comply with current standards. With the leaks in the Priests' House roof that need to be repaired this month, the Parish is looking at having to **spend approximately £6,000** in the next fortnight and between £10 -£15K over the course of the next month to have this work done. As a result, we have taken the decision that, as these are unscheduled works that have no money set aside for them, we will have to hold **second collections for the next three weekends** to help pay for this unexpected but very urgent work. Although many families may be unprepared this weekend, please consider if your family can give an extra £10 to help us meet these costs. With my sincere thanks and prayers, *Fr Adrian.*

Parish Council Annual Prayer and Reflection.



Thank you to all our PPC members who took part in the time of prayer and reflection on Saturday 21st January. Our Parish Council is made up of representative members of the Parish to help us all reflect on how we can ...

- Grow in knowledge and awareness of what is already happening in the Parish
- Encourage and support the good work of existing groups within the Parish
- Search out and respond to the hopes, ideas, needs and concerns of parishioners
- Evaluate carefully information gathered in order to inform decisions that reflect the values of the Gospel and the teachings of the Church
- Recommend short and long term goals for the Parish
- Provide opportunities for parishioners to grow in their relationship with God and with one another
- Develop, implement and improve parish initiatives that assist parishioners in their continuing efforts to live as effective Christians in society.

Further details of the Day of Reflection will be available in future newsletters. If you have any views you would like to put to the Parish Council please put these in writing to Fr Adrian. Thank you.

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 Samira Rashid, Maria Nardese, Magdalene Hibbert, Sue Murray, Ernest Henry, Amanda Fenlon, Esme McKay, John Keane, Teresa Ush, Marva & Donna Ricketts, Beverley Lesley, Marisa Delpoio, Caoimhghin McCann, Judith Newman, Mrs Fashola, Kathleen Hetmanski, Anne Spencer and Sam & Wendy Simpson.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Noel Donlon and Damien Olverson who died recently and for Patricia Fox, Thomas Mulhall, Bridget Morrin, Bridgid McBride, Mary Reid, and all those whose anniversaries occur near this time.

Confirmation and First Holy Communion News

First Holy Communion parents are reminded that the **Thursday Group meets on 26th January** and the **Sunday Group meets on 29th January.** **Confirmation candidates are reminded about the Welcome Mass at 6 pm on Sunday 22 January.** **Our next session will be on Friday 27 January at 7 pm.**

Noel Donlon RIP.

On Thursday 26 January in addition to our usual morning Mass, we have the Funeral and Requiem Mass for Noel Donlon at 12 noon. Noel is the brother of Rita who works in the school. Please remember Noel, Rita and their family in your prayers.

School Applications.

If you have moved into the Parish over the course of the last year or have any particular questions, then **please see Fr Adrian after Mass to book an appointment.** **Please note:** appointments cannot be booked over the phone and are not open 'drop-in' times, so please make sure you see Fr Adrian after Mass on a Sunday if you need to book one. **Please return the Parish "Pink form" before booking an appointment with Fr Adrian.**

The next "Reference appointments" are in the Priest's House on: Monday 23 January from 14.00 to 16.00

Christmas Party & Grand Draw. Thanks to all who made a success of our Christmas party and draw. Special thanks to Grapevine Lettings, our sponsors and to our own band "Holy Smoke" for entertaining us. Thank you to all who came or assisted in any way, brought food, sold and bought tickets. The draw and raffle results have been published and the winners contacted, helping us to raise a grand total of £3,024.70 for the work of the Parish.

There are still envelopes available for **Peace Sunday** in the porch for those who wish to contribute to Pax Christi, an organization who help the Church and wider community to proclaim and make peace. This is not a Diocesan collection so, if you would like to contribute to Pax Christi, please put your envelope through the letterbox of the Priests' House so that the donations can be posted on.

Please Help the Jesuit Refugee Service - without it costing you anything! The Jesuit Refugee Service assists refugees by exchanging supermarket vouchers they have been given for cash, which they need for other expenses. If you would like to help the Jesuit Refugee Service to continue changing vouchers back into cash, please send a cheque for £15 payable to the Jesuit Refugee Service requesting a Tesco voucher and please do enclose a self-addressed envelope for the voucher to Jesuit Refugee Service, 2 Chandler Street, London E1W 2QT. 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	NEXT Group 1
TEAS & COFFEES: Team 1	NEXT Team 2
ALTAR SERVERS: 22 Jan Rota A	29 Jan Rota B

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