

## -+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 29 January 2017

**WELCOME TO OUR SUNDAY MASS** 

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time [Year A]

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

Mass details		Intentions
Saturday	6.00 pm	Nicholas Gregory RIP
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	*
Monday	9.30 am	*
Tuesday	9.30 am	*
Wednesday	9.30 am	Margaret Boyle and family
Thursday	9.30 am	*
Friday	9.30 am	*
Next weekend		Next Saturday & Sunday
Saturday	9.30 am	The Holy Family [FM[
	6.00 pm	*
Sunday	9.00 am	*
	9.15 am	HMP Brixton
	10.30 am	For Our Parish Family
	12.00 pm	UCM
	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.

## Music & Hymns for the Mass

10:30 Hymns: Entrance: 821 Prep of Gifts: 807 Closing: 788
12:00 Hymns: Entrance: 820 Prep of Gifts: 609 Closing: 934

Confirmation and First Holy Communion News
First Holy Communion parents are reminded that the
Thursday Group next meets on 2 February and

after this weekend's class (29 January)
the Sunday Group next meets on 5 February.
Confirmation candidates are
reminded that their next session
will be on Friday 3 February at 7 pm.

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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: £1455 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 do the beatitudes work as a rule of life for you?

Where do you recognise the beatitudes in your life this week?

Which beatitude challenges you the most this week?

### For Children

How would you explain the beatitudes to your friends? Can you make an emoji for your favourite one?

#### For Families

Pope Francis offered us six new Beatitudes. **Blessed** are those who remain faithful while enduring evils inflicted on them by others, and forgive them from their heart. **Blessed** are those who look into the eyes of the abandoned and marginalized, and show them their closeness.

**Blessed** are those who see God in every person, and strive to make others also discover him.

**Blessed** are those who protect and care for our common home.

Blessed are those who renounce their own comfort in order to help others.

Blessed are those who pray and work for full communion between Christians.

How do these "confront the troubles and anxieties of our own time with the spirit and love of Jesus"?

### Prayer

Dear Lord. The beatitudes are values of love and show our need for you. Help us to see you in all those we encounter and help us to enable them to know you by the way we treat them. Amen

### Anchor Bingo Tuesday 31 January.

Doors Open at 7.30pm with eyes down at 8 pm. Admission is 25p. Please wear something warm.



## **School Applications.**

Please note, all parents applying for a school reference must see Fr Adrian after Mass and complete a Parish request form 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 pink forms can be collected from Fr Adrian after every Mass each weekend. To avoid any confusion: The Parish form is not the Priest's Reference that the schools either send out or give to the parents. If you have received a Priest's Reference from the school(s) you have applied to, please follow the instructions printed on that form AS EACH SCHOOL HAS A DIFFERENT PROCESS.

- PLEASE NOTE: if the school has requested that a parent has to return the reference then the form must be posted into the Priest's House after any weekend Mass, so that the reference can be collected from Fr Adrian after any Mass the following weekend.
- if the school has requested that Fr Adrian has to return the form then the form must be accompanied by an **envelope** addressed to the school with a stamp attached sufficient for the postage required. A separate envelope is required for each school but if the form is for Corpus Christi Primary school only then no stamp or envelope is required as Fr Adrian will take the references himself.

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 30 January from 15.00 to 17.00

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.

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 2

ALTAR SERVERS: 29 Jan Rota B

NEXT Group 2
NEXT Team 3

02 Feb Rota B

RC Archdiocese of Southwark: Registered Charity No. 235468

#### SORRY FOR THE LACK OF HEATING ...

As announced last week, sadly, 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 over the next fortnight** to help pay for this unexpected but very urgent work. Please pray for this particular work and consider how much you might be able to give on top of your ordinary collection. It would be a great blessing if we could share this burden together, with each person giving according to their means. This will be different for each person, however, do please give what you can to help us meet these costs by sharing these amounts between us. With our sincere thanks and prayers, \*\*Jr Adrian and \*\*Jr David.\*\*

### Parish Welcome and Usher/Response Team

A few people have kindly mentioned that they would like to help form a team of ushers at each Mass in addition to our Welcome team. Such a team could help guide people to find seats or to come forward at Holy Commumion in addition to the rare occasions (as on Christmas Day) when difficult situations arise. If you would be happy to be part of a team and help on a rota for each Mass, please email the Parish Office BrixtonRC@BTinternet.com If you have spoken to Fr Adrian already please email as well so we can have a record of your details, thank you.

BBC Radio 4 broadcast Mass on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> January, live from St George's Cathedral, for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Canon Richard Hearn, the Cathedral Dean, presided at the Mass, and Archbishop Peter gave the homily. The broadcast is available to listen to online at the BBC website - click here for webpage. (until 20<sup>th</sup> February) Click here for a PDF copy of Archbishop Peter's homily

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 Usoh, 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 Pat Galloway who died recently and for Michael Soowambar, Annie Ward, Mary Gorman, Ellen Boyle, and all those whose anniversaries occur near this time.