



## 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 05 February 2017

WELCOME TO OUR SUNDAY MASS

5<sup>th</sup> 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	Michael O'Connell
	9.15 am	HMP Brixton
	10.30 am	Novakovic Family
	12.00 pm	UCM
	6.00 pm	*
Monday	9.30 am	Peter Wilson RIP [Anniv.]
Tuesday	9.30 am	<b>NB: Communion Service</b>
Wednesday	9.30 am	Frank Allen RIP [Anniv.]
Thursday	9.30 am	Nnaemeka Nwokeafor
Friday	9.30 am	Margaret Boyle and family
<b>Next weekend</b>		<b>Next Saturday &amp; Sunday</b>
Saturday	9.30 am	Nnaemeka Nwokeafor
	6.00 pm	*
Sunday	9.00 am	*
	9.15 am	HMP Brixton
	10.30 am	*
	12.00 pm	For Our Parish Family
	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: Sixth Sunday Ordinary Time (A)

12 Feb Ecclesiastes 15:15-20 Psalm: 118  
1 Corinthians 2:6-10 Matthew 5:17-37

### Music & Hymns for the Mass

10:30 Hymns: Entrance: 854 Prep of Gifts: 608  
Communion: Choir & Music Closing: Choir

12:00 Hymns: Entrance: 926 Prep of Gifts: 631  
Communion: 883 Closing: 854

### Confirmation and First Holy Communion News

First Holy Communion parents are reminded that the Thursday Group next meets on 9 February and after this weekend's class (5 February) the Sunday Group next meets on 26 February after Half Term.

Confirmation candidates are reminded

that their next session will be on

Friday 24 February at 7 pm, also after Half Term.

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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: **£1660** 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

Salt has many properties and uses, where are you Salt of the earth this week? Where are you tempted to hide the light of your faith this week? How do your good deeds glorify God this week?

#### For Children

Explore the many uses of salt.

Why do you think Jesus uses this as a metaphor for how we are to be His disciples?

#### For Families

God never forces but always invites us. Our faith involves choice, where can you choose to be salt or light to the world this week?

#### Prayer from the Columbian Fathers.

You said, Lord Jesus, that your disciples must be the salt to this earth. Salt gives taste to food.

It decreases spoilage. It is also a healing agent.

Lord, may I be the salt that takes away the blandness in the routine of living,

That prevents the rottenness of hatred and greed from expanding around me,

That brings compassionate healing to anguished souls I encounter.

Lord, help me to be "worth my salt."

And infuse your "saltiness" in me, so that I do not become "flat" and useless.

Amen

### UPDATE ON THE LACK OF HEATING ...

A profound **thank you** for bearing with us over the last two weeks during the decommissioning of the boilers. The new parts are in the final stages of being manufactured and the hope is that we can synchronise the reconnection of the gas supply so that, barring complications, all will be ready for next weekend (please God!) Thanks to the generous response last week **we have raised nearly £2000 to date** which will be a great help to our initial boiler costs. Sadly though, we have unplanned expenses of up to £15,000 over the course of the next month and hold the last of our **maintenance collections this weekend** to help pay for this unexpected but very urgent work. **Please prayerfully consider how much you might be able to give on top of your ordinary collection this week** so that we can share this burden together, with each person giving according to their means. Asides from the need for the special collection we aim at holding some **parish fundraising social events** over the course of the next few months, with the first parish event on **Saturday 29 April from 7-10pm** in the Parish Hall. We aim for it to be an evening of music and dancing with food and drink to share, so please save the date in the diary and come prepared to 'raise the roof' as well as our funds! As well as this parish party in April, the Senior Lunch Club is looking to raise funds in March to help towards the cost of the Hall kitchen, toilets and cupboard upgrades that are needed to meet Food Hygiene standards so please read on:



### 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 Communion 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.

### Congratulations to all our January 200 Club winners

61 Marylyn Channer £20. 174 Deirdre McGowan £10. 45 Eithne Ivory £5.

**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 Ushoh, 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 Nelson Araujo who died recently and for Michael Kirwin, Marina Barretta, Muriel King, George Alvarados, Alicia Dias De Zamorano, Samuel Kibbey, Peter Wilson, Antonietta Melotta, Cecilia Loizdes, Frank Allen and all those whose anniversaries occur near this time.

**Next Sunday is Racial Justice Day** and we will have a second collection on 11/12 Feb to support the work of the Catholic Church in promoting racial justice in our schools, parishes and in the wider society.



### School Applications

Please note, all parents applying for a school reference are requested to see Fr Adrian after Mass and to 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 where you can **see Fr Adrian to book an appointment to see him. Please note:** appointments cannot be booked over the phone and are not open 'drop-in' times. **Please remember to return the Parish "Pink form" before booking an appointment with Fr Adrian. The next "Reference appointments" are in the Priest's House on: Thursday 9 February from 17.00 to 18.30**

### Anchor Group Jumble Sale

Saturday 10 Feb. from 2-4 pm.

Entrance 50p. All help is greatly appreciated so please see Bridget Barratt to see if you can provide support on the day or even come the night before to help sort through goods and set up the stalls.



➔ The Seniors' Lunch Club helps to provide an important social get-together for a significant number of our elderly parishioners. One of the volunteers, John Bateson-Hill, also helps at St Christopher's Hospice and would like to raise funds through a bike-ride to Paris. John invites you to come and perform your party-piece and join in an evening of music and dance in the Parish Hall on **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March from 7-10pm**. If you can help with the event or would like more information, please call John on 07722 260 434.

### Annual Altar Servers Party 26 February 2.30 -4.30pm

Calling all altar servers. Please collect an RSVP slip from Fr David or Fr Adrian in the Sacristy this weekend to come along to this year's altar servers' party. Please bring along some music, ideas for games and some food and drink to share for an afternoon of fun and possibly even a game of chocolate Bingo!

### Our Church Cleaning Rota needs some new volunteers.

If you can help or would like some more information, please contact Peter Beaumont on 020 7274 6906.

Thank you to Peter who coordinates the rota and to all our volunteer cleaners, both those who help on a Friday and to the couple of volunteers who help to clean the hall during the week: your service to the Lord is a great service to the Parish: THANK YOU.

### CHILD SAFEGUARDING DETAILS: Childline 0800 1111

Local Advisor: Yogi Sutton 07891039861

Diocesan Advisor: Helen Sheppard 020 7261 1606

CLEANING THIS WEEK: Group 2 NEXT Group 3

TEAS & COFFEES: Team 3 NEXT Team 4

ALTAR SERVERS: 05 Feb Rota B 12 Feb Rota A

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