



## CORPUS CHRISTI with ST. ANNE'S

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### The days, times & locations for Mass: Sat 19th December - Sun 27th December 2020

#### The Fourth Sunday of Advent

**Saturday 5.00pm Corpus Christi** Anthony McKiernan: The Holy Souls  
**Sunday 9.00am St. Anne's** Patrick McSharry: The Deceased Parishioners: Nina's Family  
**10.30am Corpus Christi** James Cannon: Mike Scott: Patricia Hancocks

**Monday** NO MASS  
**Tuesday 7.00 pm Corpus Christi** Patricia McAloe: The Holy Souls  
**Wednesday 9.30 am Corpus Christi** Edna Kent: Kitty Goulding

#### Christmas Eve

**5.00pm Corpus Christi** Joe & Kathleen Cunningham, John, Angela, Charlie & Mary Gormley:  
 Trevor Bloodworth: Ernest & Josie Walker: Michael & Anne Tobin  
**7.00pm St. Anne's** The Kent Family: Kazy & Christina Bieliauskas: Rosaria & Carmine Petrucci  
 Michael & Julia Johnston  
**9.00pm Corpus Christi:** Jack Bell, Pat & Win Fitzpatrick: Fr. David & Parishioners

#### Christmas Day

**10.00am Corpus Christi** Sr. Emmanuella Anatuanya: Teresa Kirby: Eileen O'Donnell: Sr. Anne

#### The Feast of the Holy Family

**Saturday 5.00pm Corpus Christi** Walter & Kathleen Fearick: Marie-Anne & Greg Bowell:  
 Sr. Josephine  
**Sunday 9.00am St. Anne's** Fr. Dominic & Fr Yen: Jack Upton: Christine Kent: Nina's Family  
**10.30am Corpus Christi** Theresa Anatuanya: Maria Pia & Family

#### Exposition & Benediction

Tuesday evenings beginning at 6pm in Corpus Christi Church.

**Confessions** by appointment and after Masses, Tuesday - Saturday



If you pay Income Tax then please remember...

#### GIFT AID

your offering. For every £1 given the Government will give the Parish 25p.

*Thank you!*

#### SECOND COLLECTION IN BOTH CHURCHES

This weekend  
*The Christmas Flowers*

Next weekend  
*For Fr. David - Christmas Offerings*

#### St. Anne's Sanctuary Lamp Intention

This week  
 Thomas Cadden

Next week  
 The Gaffney Family

To request a candle, please complete a form and hand it into the Sacristy.

**Candles are £3.50 each**

DATE	READER	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER
Saturday 19th December 5.00 pm	Marie Anne Bowell	Julie Martin
Sunday 20th December 9.00 am	Ogochukwu Okafor	Patricia Orisa
10.30 am	Patti Hynd-Anderson	Lucy Ojomo
Saturday 26th December 5.00 pm	Helen Ward	David Haywood
Sunday 27th December 9.00 am	Chuk McCaughley	Pat Kennedy
10.30 am	Chukwudi Malize	Anne Malize

<b>Sacred Heart Candle</b> This Week: Holy Souls Next Week: B. Boswell	<b>Our Lady Candle</b> This Week: Holy Souls Next Week: Thanksgiving	<b>St. Joseph Candle</b> This Week: Holy Souls Next Week: Thanksgiving	<b>St. Paul Candle</b> This Week: Holy Souls Next Week:	<b>St. John Candle</b> This Week: Holy Souls Next Week: Jack Bell	<b>St. Clare Candle</b> This Week: Holy Souls Next Week:
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<b>Inf. of Prague Candle</b> This Week: Holy Souls Next Week:	<b>St. Padre Pio Candle</b> This Week: Holy Souls Next Week:	<b>St. Peter Candle</b> This Week: Holy Souls Next Week:	<b>St. Patrick Candle</b> This Week: Holy Souls Next Week: Morris & Duffy	<b>St. Juliana Candle</b> This Week: Holy Souls Next Week:	<b>St. Anthony Candle</b> This Week: Holy Souls Next Week: Brady & McGlynn
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#### Financial Matters

	Corpus Christi	St Anne's
<b>First Collection</b>		
Gift-Aided (+SO)	£457.99	£243.00
Non Gift-Aided	£167.52	£126.19
<b>Total</b>	<b>£625.51</b>	<b>£369.19</b>
<b>Second Collection</b>		
P.D.F.	£436.50	£119.35

*Thank you for your support!*

#### Sortitio / Lottery

<b>Corpus Christi:</b> Winner:	<b>No:</b>	<b>Amount:</b>
<b>Christi:</b> Winner:	<b>No:</b>	<b>Amount:</b>
<b>St Anne:</b> Winner:	<b>No:</b>	<b>Amount:</b>
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**There will be no lottery in either parish for the time being. Thank you to all our supporters.**

**Safe Guarding: Corpus Christi** - Caroline Ward & Pat Timmins

**St. Anne** - Rosaria Petrucci & Diana Petrucci

## The Octave of Christmas

Many of us are familiar with the carol "*The Twelve Days of Christmas*." This carol reminds us that there are twelve days of Christmas to January 6th, the Epiphany. But the Church's Liturgy actually emphasises the eight days or the Octave of Christmas. The Church recognises that the days of the Christmas Octave are repeating the solemnness of Christmas for eight days, concluding on a high note on January 1st with the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, a Feast that echoes the solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord.

What is an Octave? An Octave means an eight-day celebration, that is, the prolongation of a feast to the eighth day inclusive.

Why are we talking about this Octave, in particular the Octave of Christmas? Well, due to the coronavirus, numbers in Church have to be restricted. This restriction will effect the number of people permitted in Church especial on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day which is normally the busiest period of the year. The Church's Liturgy gives the answer to our problem, to our conundrum. The clue is in the name, that for eight days we treat each day the same as the original feast day of Christmas. We celebrate Christmas Day every day within the octave, it is the feast all over again for eight days.

Therefore, if you don't feel comfortable about being in church at this time with large numbers, or you prefer to come to a quieter Mass for Christmas, or you cannot get hold of a ticket because they have all gone and we have reached our seating capacity then still by coming to Mass during the Octave you will have kept the Feast of Christmas.

## Smile, you are on camera!

Since the damage caused to the outside crucifix on the front of Corpus Christi Church and the increase of people visiting the parish site caused by the Romero Academy and their plastic sports pitch it was deemed necessary to install security cameras. Corpus Christi Church, inside and out and the Presbytery will have 24 hour CCTV surveillance after this weekend. Images will be monitored for the sole purpose of public safety, crime prevention, detection and prosecution of offenders. It is sad that what was once a beautiful and peaceful place has been turned into business venture that has no history and spirit of our place

## Christmas Offering Envelopes

There are *Christmas Offering Envelopes* in the entrance of both churches. These envelopes are designed to put in them an offering for your Parish Priest. These can be placed in the basket during the Christmas Masses or in the wooden box over the Octave for Christmas. **The Second Collection** on the weekend of 26th/27th December will also be for your Parish Priest as it not only falls during the Octave but also our parish clergy missed out on an Easter Offering.

## Christmas Masses 2020

Christmas Eve : 5.00pm Corpus Christi

7.00pm St. Anne's

9.00pm Corpus Christi

Christmas Day: 10.00am Corpus Christi

Confessions

Confession after all Masses (not on Christmas Eve/Day)



## Responsibilities for Stewards for the Christmas Masses

First of all, thank you for offering to help steward the Masses (and to those who will be cleaning after). Please be in church an hour before Mass begins. Two stewards will be outside collecting tickets while the other two are inside assisting people. At least one Steward needs to remain at the entrance of the Church throughout the Mass to look after late comers. Please remember that, it isn't your responsibility to police the church or intimidate the parishioners, you are there simple to assist and guide them. If there are any issues, then Fr. David will deal with them. Your tasks are;

**1- To Welcome.** Welcome the person to church, say, "**Welcome to Corpus Christi/St. Anne's!**"

**2- To Inquire.** Ask the person for their ticket. "**Do you have your ticket please?**" The parishioner will present you with their ticket. Check to see if they have the correct ticket; look for the time, date and location on the ticket. There is no need to take the ticket from them. If they have lost or forgotten their ticket they cannot enter the church.

**3- To Seat** Encourage the parishioners to spread themselves around the Church. Catholics have a tendency to sit at the back of churches; encourage them to sit nearer the front. It is not for you to tell people where and where they cannot sit. Be mindful of any wheelchair/walker users.

**4- No Ticket?** What to say. "**I am sorry, due to the coronavirus pandemic we have a limited seating capacity this evening/morning admission is by ticket only**" If there are any tickets left for that particular Mass then you can give the person a ticket, or if there are tickets remaining for any of the other Masses, then you can offer them that possibility. They may say, "**No thank you**". Or you can invite them to come to Mass during the week, during the Octave of Christmas. What if the person responds to you saying, *Ok, but can I just light a candle or visit the toilet?* It is best to say, *Sorry, not at this time*. This is in case you have trouble asking them to leave the church once inside. If you have any trouble with people being awkward about not having a ticket, and not being let into church, then say, *please email or speak to Fr. David*.

## Tickets for Christmas Eve & Christmas Day

The seating capacity for Corpus Christi has been set at 140, and for St. Anne's 110 for social distancing purposes. Sadly only those parishioners with a ticket will be permitted into the Church. By taking a ticket you are accepting our;

### TERMS & CONDITIONS

- 1 - Please be seated no less than 10 minutes before the Mass is due to begin, so as to assist the smooth running of the celebration.
- 2 - On entry and exiting the church you will sanitise your hands.
- 3 - You must wear a face covering which covers your nose as well as your mouth while you are in church.
- 4 - You must comply with the stewards instructions and not cause a fuss. Please remember the stewards are there to keep everyone safe.

## Of your Charity

Please pray for the souls of James Deehan & Henry Maloney who have recently died.

James' Requiem Mass will be held on Friday 8th January at 1pm in Corpus Christi Church with Reception the night before at 5pm. (30 mourners only)

Henry's Requiem Mass will be held on Tuesday 5th January at 12noon in Corpus Christi Church. (30 mourners only)

## St. Anne's Parish Raffle

St. Anne's Christmas Raffle tickets are on sale to help raise funds for the Parish. Tickets are £1 a strip. The First and Second Prize, are cash prizes each worth £50.00.

The Raffle will be drawn after the 9am Mass on Sunday 27th December.

## The Second Collection 26th/27th December

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