



## CORPUS CHRISTI and ST. ANNE'S

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### The days, times & locations for Mass: Sat 4th Sept - Sunday 13th Sept 2021

#### The 23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time B1

<b>Saturday 4th</b>	<b>5.00 pm</b>	<b>Corpus Christi</b>	Karen & family, Megan & family
<b>Sunday 5th</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	<b>St. Anne's</b>	People of the Parish
	<b>10.30 am</b>	<b>Corpus Christi</b>	Mick Fensom
<b>Monday 6th</b>	<b>No Mass</b>		
<b>Tuesday 7th</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Corpus Christi</b>	<i>Adoration and Benediction</i>
	<b>7.00pm</b>	<b>Corpus Christi</b>	Anne Tobin
<b>Wednesday 8th</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Corpus Christi</b>	Maura Martin
<b>Thursday 9th</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>St Anne's</b>	John & Hannah O'Connor
<b>Friday 10th</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>St Anne's</b>	Margaret Brown
<b>Saturday 11th</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>St Anne's</b>	Residents & staff of Knightlow Lodge

#### The 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time

<b>Saturday 11th</b>	<b>5.00 pm</b>	<b>Corpus Christi</b>	Tom Quinn
<b>Sunday 12th</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>	<b>St. Anne's</b>	Roseline & Hugh Rynne
	<b>10.30 am</b>	<b>Corpus Christi</b>	People of the Parishes

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 This Weekend

P.D.F.

#### Next Weekend

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

**Candles are £3.50 each**

**There is 24 hour CCTV on Corpus Christi site**

**Confessions after Masses and on request whenever possible**

#### Extraordinary Ministers and Readers

4th/5th September: 5pm Marie Anne Bowell, *David Haywood*; 9am Chuk McCaughley, *John Fallan*;  
10.30am: Patti Hynd-Anderson, David; *Sarah Pearson*.

11/12th September: 5pm Caroline Ward, *Julie Martin*; Bill Byrne/Mercy, *Sandhya Mathew*;  
10.30am Emmanuel & Soliana, *Anne Malize*

#### Missio Boxes

It's been a while, but it's time to collect the red Missio boxes again. If you have one, could you please bring it in next weekend for counting at both churches. Thank you.

#### Afternoon Tea at St Anne's

Saturday 18th September, 3pm - please come and support us from both churches - and have a good time in the process. Tickets are £10 and available after Weekend Masses or from Rosa 07842332557.

Proceeds to Mary's Meals, which celebrates 20 years of feeding children in need this Wednesday.

CAFOD are starting a 'Go Green' challenge - please have a look on [www.cafod.org.uk/GoGreen](http://www.cafod.org.uk/GoGreen)

**Life in the Spirit** seminars are starting online from Wed 22nd September, 7.30-9.30pm.

The course lasts for 8 weeks.

Go to [www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk) and scroll down to the Life in the Spirit box for more details.

#### Financial Matters

	Corpus Christi	St Anne's
<b>First Collection</b>		
Gift-Aided (+SOs)	£276.00	£149.50
Non Gift-Aided	<u>£124.44</u>	<u>£ 74.45</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>£400.44</b>	<b>£223.95</b>
<b>Second Collection</b>		
P. D. F.	£253.84	£122.85

*Thank you for your support!*

#### Prayer To St. Joseph, for the Year of St. Joseph

Hail guardian of the Redeemer,  
spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
To you God entrusted his only Son.  
In you, Mary placed her trust.  
With you, Christ became man.  
Blessed Joseph, show yourself a father to us as well,  
and guide us in the path of life.  
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage  
and defend us from every evil. Amen

**Safeguarding: Corpus Christi** - Caroline Ward & Pat Timmons

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

## Open Doors

Both our churches are open from 10am-4pm this Saturday, 11th, as are all Catholic churches in our deanery. Coventry Council will advertise this, but please do spread the word yourself too.

There are also events in Swanswell Park on Sunday 12th September - details on poster at the back of church. Please see me for tickets - they're free, but you do need one.

There is also a play at Christ the King Church on Saturday 11th September at 10.30am, looking at the experience of young Irish Catholics coming to Coventry after the war. No fee or tickets needed.

### Jesus took him aside, away from the crowd, and said 'Ephphatha' - 'Be opened'.

The cure of the deaf man, in Mark's Gospel, is very important. It comes precisely half way through the Gospel, and links in with the importance of Jesus preaching the Word of God, but people often misunderstanding it. Straight after the healing, Peter is able to confess that Jesus is the Christ, because what Jesus does physically to the deaf man, he does spiritually to the disciples: he allows them to really hear. And how he does this is important too. He talks to the crowd, but he takes the man aside for him to be healed. The healing involves touch - which is so important. It also includes things the man wouldn't probably have chosen for Jesus to do - putting his fingers in his ears, and touching his tongue with spittle. For us to truly hear God's Word, we need all these four things: we need to hear God's word, but we also need that personal encounter with Christ; we need the reassurance of a one-to-one with him, but we also need the courage to be a bit embarrassed about him, and get over that.

I'd like to start a CAFÉ course for anyone from both churches, shortly. It is on the saints. For six weeks we will look at a famous saint, and find out more about them: St Therese, St Benedict, St Francis of Assisi, St Patrick, St Ignatius of Loyola and St Catherine of Siena. It is good for us to learn about our faith and deepen our understanding of it, but the lives of the saints allow us to do this in a way that is more interesting and less daunting than more formal study. Please have a think about coming - and about who you could invite along. Doing this together, with me guiding you, will help you have your 'Ephphatha' moment and be better to truly hear God's Word and his relevance to you and your life.

I obviously need to think through how we do this in the light of COVID, and make sure it is as safe as possible. I think we have moved from lockdown quite successfully, but I am aware that some people are still nervous, and with schools returning we might have more people returning to Mass now. If you do have any 'COVID concerns' please do share them with me - whether in the congregation, or as servers, readers and/or ministers. Such chats can often just make a little difference to how we do things, and so calm people's genuine fears.

The feedback this week about moving the 10:30am Sunday Mass at Corpus Christi has been even more positive; not just agreeing for my sake, but actually thinking it is a good idea. It was good that concern for those who stop for a cuppa after Mass was raised, but the people in question have no problem with the move. If you have got anything to say, please do this week, and I'll make a final decision next weekend. It is looking like a resounding yes, but it is still important to let me know your thoughts either way.

I'll have something to say about sacramental preparation for children next weekend. What is important is that the preparation involves family, church and school. The children suffer if any of those dimensions are missing. In fact, it is the parents who have the greatest responsibility and ability to nurture their children's faith - we can only support that. We will be offering a lot of support, but I will be asking for significant cooperation from parents. This might not be easy, but is too life-giving for us to do without it. So I will be asking something that might be a little difficult for some. But then the deaf man had to have Jesus poking in his ears and putting spittle in his mouth, so in comparison to that...

Do remember the Readers Day at St Anne's, Saturday 25th September, 9:30am-2:30pm. Please have the courage to come if you are thinking about starting being a reader - come and see me first, to help the decision. Bring something for a shared table, please. There will be a similar day for Extraordinary Ministers before Advent.

Sorry I'm not with you for the 5pm this Saturday - I'm at the March for Life in London. Please do pray for that, and for the protection of the most vulnerable of all human persons. You're in the good hands of Fr Gerry Lennon.

Yours in Jesus and Mary,



### Prayer to St Michael

(to be prayed after Mass)

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in this day of battle,  
be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil;  
may God rebuke him, we humbly pray,  
and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God,  
cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits  
who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.

