



CORPUS CHRISTI and ST. ANNE'S

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Saturday 28th September - Sunday 6th October, 2024

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME B2

Saturday	28th	5.00pm	Corpus Christi	Peggy James; family & friends of Afaf
Sunday	29th	9.00am	St. Anne's	Jack Upton; Rico Reynoso
		11.00am	Corpus Christi	Fr Sandy Brown; pro populo
Monday	30th	No Mass St Jerome		
Tuesday	1st Oct	6.00pm	Corpus Christi	Adoration and Benediction
		7.00pm	Corpus Christi	Special Int (MP)
Wednesday	2nd	9.15am	Corpus Christi	Louise Haley
		Guardian Angels		
Thursday	3rd	9.10am	St Anne's school	Maura Palmer
Friday	4th	9.30am	St Anne's	Tony Kavanagh
		6.00pm	Corpus Christi	Rosary and Adoration
Saturday	5th	9.30am	St Anne's	Kelly & Genevieve
		First Saturday followed by Adoration and Confessions until 10.30am		

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Saturday	5th	5.00pm	Corpus Christi	Richard Coles; pro populo
Sunday	6th	9.00am	St. Anne's	Chris McGuire
		11.00am	Corpus Christi	Godwin Akinsanya (9th B'day)

Funeral Mass for **Patrick Toman** is Friday, 11th October, 10.30am.

Second Collections

This weekend
 Community Centre/
 Parish debt

Next Weekend
 CAFOD - family fast

Extraordinary Ministers and Readers

26th Sunday of the Year
 5pm Marie Anne Bowell;
Pat Timmons.
 9am Seamus Brannigan;
Jocelyn Gallen.
 11am Gerard McAleese;
Candy Enemaku.

27th Sunday of the Year
 5pm Pat Timmons;
Helen Ward.
 9am John Fallan;
Sandhya Mathew.
 11am Chukwudi Malize;
Maria Bloodworth.

26TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Responsorial Psalm
 The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia!
 Your word is truth, O Lord:
 consecrate us in the truth.
Alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia!

Financial Matters

	Corpus Christi	St Anne's
First Collection		
Gift-Aided (+SOs)	£409.50	£129.80
Non Gift-Aided	£155.00	£ 93.78
Total	£564.50	£223.58
Second Collection		
Fr Hudson's Caritas	£233.43	£149.50

Thank you!

CCC fund-raising £10,824 (of £15,000)

SA fund-raising £4,695 (of £8,000)

‘Anyone who is not against us is for us.’

Today's Gospel quote is similar to last week's - 'anyone who is not against us is for us'. They both stem from Jesus, and his Father's, desire for us all to be united in love as one family. In our guiding others we should always be looking to want to say yes, we should always be looking at the positive first. This doesn't mean that we never say no; it doesn't mean we don't deal with the negative. Both of these are important. But it does mean that we are all encouraging. And that's what we all need. If we are going to take a little step outside our comfort zone, we tend to need encouragement. And that's definitely true when it comes to the parish. It can be really daunting for someone to try something new - for all sorts of reasons. But if we can help each other get over that first hurdle, the blessings for us all can be huge. Think of our Masses of Many Tongues, our Corpus Christi processions, our Marian processions and other times when we've been encouraged and responded positively - great experiences followed, often bringing healing and joy. Jesus calls us to give it a go. To get out of the boat. He'll catch you, if you start sinking. The man was casting out devils in Jesus' name: we're just being asked to volunteer a bit!

Safeguarding: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocesan policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Caroline Ward, Pat Timmons & Rosaria Petrucci. They can be contacted at: sg.candstanne.covty@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

Dear Parishioners,

Today, as you can see, you have a **volunteer form** attached to your newsletter! There are pens at the back of church if you want to fill it in before you go. Or take it with you, have a pray and a ponder, fill it in, and then bring it back next week. But please do fill it in. We are one body - the Body of Christ - and a body is only healthy when all its parts, all its organs work, and work together. There are many ways we serve the Lord - including through prayer, through our acceptance of our sufferings, our family and work life, our own kindness to others and personal good works, but we are all asked to play our part in the parish if we can, also.

Remember, we are all links in a chain, so it is more important that we all play a small part, than having a small group do loads, and many do nothing. Please do commit yourself to the Lord - the prayer I gave you last week is a good way of doing this, then ask him what he wants you to volunteer for.

Sometimes we are not quite sure what to volunteer for because we are not too sure what it will involve. Put a tick by it, we'll ring you up and talk to you about it, and any concerns, fears, commitments you have - and then, if ready, you can have a go and see if it works for you. If not, no problem, you tried. Which is so much better than not trying. And please don't worry if your English makes you a bit nervous. We can get round that without anyone feeling stupid or inadequate - because none of us are.

Let's make this parish truly one body, one family, where we give God praise, help each other and reach out to others - each playing our small part.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS I'm still looking for a few more ministers. Those of you I've spoken to already, would you be free 9.30am - 1pm on Sat 23rd November, to receive spiritual and practical training? Then, Covid permitting, we will start at Christmas. We still need a few more at Corpus Christi - have a think: who could you recommend to be a minister?

COVENTRY EAST MISSION As you know, the diocese has asked us to work in clusters of parishes - not least because of the dwindling number of priests and congregations. Our new assistant bishop, Bishop Richard, is inviting us to a meeting on Thursday 10th October, 7pm at Sacred Heart church hall, to talk about our cluster, and to plan ahead together. It is generous of him to find four evenings to give to Coventry, so it would be good if we could be generous in return.

St Thomas More's are holding their now annual **40 hours adoration this week: Thursday 3rd - Sunday 6th October** - could you find time to join in? Posters in the porch for more details.

'REJOICE AND BE GLAD' - Five sessions of shared prayer and reflection on Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter, *Gaudete Exsultate*. These will take place in the meeting room at St Osburg's Church, Barras Lane CV1 4AQ, 7.00 - 8.30pm, beginning on Monday 7th October 2024. See poster for more details.

FAMILY FAST DAY is this Friday. Please take an envelope, fast, put money in the envelope, and bring it for the retiring collection next Sunday.

PARISH ACCOUNTS It has taken a while for our 2023 accounts to be passed, but a summary of them is now available in the porch. They remind us why we are still raising money for the centre and to pay off St Anne's parish debt. We've done well since then, except collections have fallen - especially at St Anne's. We still need to keep up our efforts to achieve our financial goals. Any questions about 2023 account summary, please ask.

HARVEST MASSES On 12th/13th October we will have our Harvest Masses, where we give thanks for this year's harvest, which we will all benefit from, even if we don't see it happening. As a way of thanking God, we are invited to bring some food to mass. Please bring it up **at the offertory** and then we'll give it to the **FOODBANK**. You've been generous the last 2 weeks - let's all make an effort for this one. Thanks.

FIRE DRILL AND DEFIBRILLATOR Thankfully, it is quite easy to communicate what to do at Mass in the event of a fire. However, we need to be aware of anyone who may need personal help. Is anyone willing to help with this? Also, our defibrillators have been amazingly needed since being installed - but I do still need someone at each parish who will just keep an eye on it. Again, any volunteer?

Yours in Jesus and Mary,

Fr Stephen



Prayer to St Michael

to protect the Church, our parish and our churches

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.

