



CORPUS CHRISTI and ST. ANNE'S

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Saturday 7th - Sunday 15th December 2024

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT C1

Saturday	7th	5.00pm	Corpus Christi	Mary Healy; Mary Cherry
Sunday	8th	9.00am	St. Anne's	Phil Harvey; Alan Stanley
		11.00am	Corpus Christi	Pat & Mary McCann; pro populo
Monday	9th	9.30am	Corpus Christi	In honour of Mary
THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION				
Tuesday	10th	6.00pm	Corpus Christi	Adoration and Benediction
		7.00pm	Corpus Christi	Walter & Kathleen Fearick
Wednesday	11th	9.15am	Corpus Christi	Agnes McLeod
Thursday	12th	9.30am	St Anne's church	Holy Souls
Friday	13th	9.30am	St Anne's	Doreen Cadden
St Lucy		6.00pm	St Anne's	Rosary and adoration
Saturday	14th	9.30am	St Anne's	John & Helen Fallan
St John of the Cross				<i>followed by adoration and Confessions until 10.30am</i>

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT C1

Saturday	14th	5.00pm	Corpus Christi	James Duddy; Kathleen Durkan
Sunday	15th	9.00am	St. Anne's	Angelo Dicenza; pro populo
		11.00am	Corpus Christi	Fernanda Maria Mendonca; Sir Athan O Ukah

Confessions after Tuesday 7pm Mass, after both Saturday Masses, and on request

Second Collections

This weekend
Poor parish fund

Next Weekend
Parish Debt/
Karis Centre

Extraordinary Ministers and Readers

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
5pm Caroline Ward;
David Haywood.
9am Mateusz Dabrosz;
Franklin Darko.
11am David Akinsanya;
Anne Malize.

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
5pm Marie Anne Bowell;
Caroline Ward.
9am Seamus Brannigan;
Jocelyn Gallen.
11am Patti Hynd-Anderson;
Mary Pearson.

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Responsorial Psalm

What great deeds the Lord worked for us! Indeed, we are glad.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia!
Show us, O Lord, your mercy,
and grant us your salvation
Alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia!

Financial Matters

	Corpus Christi	St Anne's
First Collection		
Gift-Aided (+SOs)	£324.60	£117.00
Non Gift-Aided	<u>£177.74</u>	<u>£147.35</u>
Total	£502.34	£264.35
Second Collection		
Karis Centre	£326.53	
Parish Debt		£113.50
	Thank you!	

Karis Centre fund-raising £13,201 (of £15,000)

SA fund-raising £5,787 (of £8,000)

‘Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low.’

St John the Baptist enters our Advent story today. He changes the Advent prophecies of hope from ‘this will happen’ to ‘this is beginning to happen’. The start of the Gospel - with all its names and details - reminds us that Jesus comes to us in time - including here and now. It is too easy to hope that God will do something, sometime, somewhere. It takes courage to believe he comes with his healing power here, now, to us.

But that is what we are asked to believe as we come for the Laying on of Hands, and for Holy Communion. Our faith comes before healing - or else it is not faith. And our 1st reading reminds us that Christ's healing is for his people, not for an individual. We can do lots of holy things, but stay safe in an isolated relationship with God - me and him. He calls us to come to him together, and to pray for and help each other. So, let us do just that, and pray for each other as we receive his healing and peace.

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.ccandstanne.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,

Let's strengthen our commitment to Advent this weekend. Walk with me and my Day by Day booklets available, £1, and free calendars. There are cribs available for £15. Christmas cards also available at St Anne's. There is Mass this Monday, 9.30am at Corpus Christi, for the great solemnity of the **Immaculate Conception**.

It is also the Laying on of Hands this week, which has become an important part of our Advent and Lenten practice. Please do join in and allow me to silently pray over you for a few seconds in silence after the homily. Please let us also pray for whomever is being prayed over, so that it is the whole community who is praying for their wellbeing.

Next weekend we commission our new ministers.

There are Penitential Service the week before Christmas:

Mon 16th Dec 7pm at St Anne's;

Tuesday 17th 7pm at St Mary's and St. Benedict's

Friday 20th, 7pm at Sacred Heart.

Everyone who has come to me has asked for the **Christmas Masses** to be at the same time so they are: Christmas Eve St Anne's: 5pm Carols, 5.30pm Mass (followed by refreshments and raffle until 8pm); Corpus Christi, 8pm Carols, 8.30pm Mass; Christmas Day 10am Corpus Christi; St Stephen's Day, 10am Corpus Christi.

MISSALS AND BOOK OF GOSPELS It was good we started with our new lectionaries last weekend. If you had one dedicated in memoria of someone, please do ask to see the insert. Our new Sunday Missals still haven't arrived - they claimed I'd made an error, but it has been sorted so here's hoping for next weekend. I've ordered a processional Book of the Gospels for Corpus Christi.

CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL invite us all to **Carols and Cake**, 12th December, 11.15am. Please come along. The children have put a lot of effort into invitations for parishioners - though of course there aren't enough for everyone individually - please be as generous in return. Thanks to those who 'represented us' at the Blessing of the Crib last Sunday and at Bishop Ullathorne on Friday.

CONFIRMATION Last session before Christmas, this Thursday, 12th December, at 6pm at Corpus Christi Church. You did well coming in the wind and rain last Thursday, and I thought the session was extra special.

JOURNEY IN FAITH This Thursday's meeting, 12th December, is at Corpus Christi 7.45pm.

RAFFLE We're having a normal raffle at St Anne's this Christmas - and hopefully try the bigger one for Easter. Donations of prizes gratefully received. Tickets on sale in the porch.

VOLUNTEER TO VISIT THE HOUSEBOUND and PARISH SICK LIST These two initiatives are linked. In the porch are forms for people having their name on the sick list. It looks wordy, but it just needs the person or a friend/relative to fill in 3 or 4 things. Please overcome any admin frustration and take one for anyone you can think of who might appreciate this - and then return it. We are having a meeting Saturday 11th January, 10.30am at St Anne's for anyone interested in visiting the housebound. That obviously includes anyone who put that on their volunteer form, but also anyone else - the more the merrier. It is a central part of being a Christian parish. Could ministers wanting to take Communion to the housebound also come to this meeting? - we need to cover the same stuff really. Also, there are now a small number of larger print newsletters available.

FOODBANK Could we begin to help a bit more as winter kicks in?

MISSIO RED BOXES If you have a Red Box, could you bring it in for collection asap please?

CHRISTMAS TREES Are you free 2.30pm next **Sat, 14th December** to help put up the Christmas Trees at Corpus Christi?

Yours in Jesus and Mary,



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

