



## CORPUS CHRISTI and ST. ANNE'S

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### Saturday 21st December, 2024 - Sunday 5th January 2025

#### 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT C1

Saturday	21st	5.00pm	<i>Corpus Christi</i>	Betty Clark; Kathleen Doherty
Sunday	22nd	9.00am	<i>St. Anne's</i>	Edna & Christine Kent; baby Isaac
		11.00am	<i>Corpus Christi</i>	Paulo Calip; pro populo
Monday	23rd	9.30am	<i>Corpus Christi</i>	

#### CHRISTMAS MASSES

Tuesday	24th	5.00pm	<i>St. Anne's</i>	<b>Carols by candlelight</b>
		5.30pm	<i>St. Anne's</i>	<b>Mass:</b> Brady family; Jack Upton <i>followed by refreshments and raffle until 8pm</i>
		8.00pm	<i>Corpus Christi</i>	<b>Carols by candlelight</b>
		8.30pm	<i>Corpus Christi</i>	<b>Mass:</b> Pro Populo; Jack Bell; Pat & Win Fitzpatrick

#### CHRISTMAS DAY

Wednesday	25th	10.00am	<i>Corpus Christi</i>	Malize family; special Intention
Thursday	26th	10.00am	<i>Corpus Christi</i>	All our Altar Servers; Christina, Kazimir & Wanda
ST STEPHEN'S DAY				
Friday	27th	9.30am	<i>St Anne's</i>	Communion Service
ST JOHN		6.00pm	<i>St Anne's</i>	Rosary and adoration
Saturday	28th	9.30am	<i>St Anne's</i>	Communion Service

#### HOLY INNOCENTS

*followed by adoration until 10.30am*

#### HOLY FAMILY C1

Saturday	28th	5.00pm	<i>Corpus Christi</i>	Madeleine Watts; Kathleen Durkan
Sunday	29th	9.00am	<i>St. Anne's</i>	Christine Angliss; Anne Upton; Christina & Kazimir Bieliauskas
		11.00am	<i>Corpus Christi</i>	Kath Williams; Pro populo

**Tues 31st** *Corpus Christi*, 6pm **Adoration & Benediction**; 7pm **Mass** peace in our world

**Wed 1st January**, , 12 noon *Corpus Christi* **Mass** Kathleen Doherty; pro populo.

#### MARY THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

**Thurs 2nd** (Ss Basil and St Gregory) 9.30am St Anne's, **Communion Service**

**Fri 3rd** (Holy Name of Jesus) 9.30am St Anne's, **Communion Service**, 6pm **Adoration**

**Sat 4th** 9.30am *St Anne's* **Mass:** Mary McSharry; Eamon Kirane

#### EPIPHANY C1

Saturday	4th	5.00pm	<i>Corpus Christi</i>	P & P; pro populo
Sunday	5th	9.00am	<i>St. Anne's</i>	Anne & Maurice O'Donoghue; Christine
		11.00am	<i>Corpus Christi</i>	Danny Harrington; Sir Athan O Ukah

### Second Collections

#### all weekends

Parish Debt/  
Karis Centre

#### Christmas Masses

for your parish priest  
*envelopes available*

### Extraordinary Ministers and Readers

#### 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

5pm Pat Timmons;  
*Julie Martin.*

9am Jocelyn Gallen;  
*John Fallan.*

11am Chukwudi Malize;  
*Maria Bloodworth.*

*for Christmas Masses  
please see separate rota*

#### HOLY FAMILY

5pm Helen Ward;  
*Marie Anne Bowell;*

9am Ann Saju;  
*Jocelyn Gallen.*

11am Gerard McAleese;  
*Candy Enakamu.*

#### THE EPIPHANY

Claire Reay;

*Julie Martin.*

John Fallan;

*Franklin Darko.*

# A happy & holy Christmas!

### 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### Responsorial Psalm

Bring us back, O God; let your face shine forth,  
and we shall be saved.

#### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia!**

Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord;  
let it be to me according to your word.

**Alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia!**

### Financial Matters

	Corpus Christi	St Anne's
<b>First Collection</b>		
Gift-Aided (+SOs)	£333.00	<i>sorry</i>
Non Gift-Aided	£218.14	<i>not</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b>£551.14</b>	<i>available</i>

<b>Second Collection</b>	
Karis Centre	£361.89

***Thank you!***

**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,

We've had a great week of Advent - especially with the schools - their Christmas Services, which were holy and inspiring, even if I overuse that word, and also their carol singing in care homes and a supermarket.

Penitential Services went well, apart from a very poor turn out at St Anne's - 18 people - so we won't be having it there again. If you haven't been to Confession, please do, before Christmas.

**MISSALS** If you ordered a new Sunday Missal, please pay for it and take it this weekend. There should be a few left for anyone who didn't order.

**FIRST CONFESSION AND HOLY COMMUNION** Letters and application forms are now in the porch, to enrol your child for these great sacraments. First preparation session is Thursday 30th January, 6pm at Corpus Christi.

**CONFIRMATION** and **JOURNEY IN FAITH** both paused now until Thursday 9th January, 2025.

**RAFFLE** We're having a normal raffle at St Anne's this Christmas - and hopefully try the bigger one for Easter. Tickets on sale in the porch at both churches.

**KARIS COMMUNITY CENTRE** Things are progressing well now, and work should start in January - maybe a week later than hoped, with nothing happening the next two weeks. It looks like we won't be going for underfloor heating, which is fine. We've made progress on grants for furnishings, and will have to play our part in the new year, too.

**DIARIES** My Day by Day diaries are available in the porch, £3.50 each. I find them good with the ring binding, and the saints' days etc. Some diocesan directories are available too, £5.

**VOLUNTEERS TO VISIT THE HOUSEBOUND** and **PARISH SICK LIST** In the porch are forms for people having their name on the sick list. Haven't got any back so far. Please do pray for Ann Sweeten, Philomena Morrison, Dominic King, and Maureen Stevenson.

We are having a meeting Saturday 11th January, 10.30am at St Anne's for anyone interested in visiting the housebound, including ministers taking Holy Communion to them.

Also **Saturday 11th Jan** 11.30am, **St Anne's**, meeting for those who have volunteered to help maintain the **defibrillators**, and then at 12 noon, for anyone at either church interested in helping with **notice boards, piety stall and/or library**. A few have already volunteered, so it'll be good to see you - but also anyone else who wants to join in is welcome, too.

**DEANERY READERS DAY** Sat 25th January, 2025, 9.30am - 1pm, St Mary & St Benedict's.

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

**CHRISTMAS MESSAGE** A happy and holy Christmas to you all. Thanks, in advance, to all those who give of time and talent so that our Christmas Services can be so special. May God reward your generosity. We live in a world of uncertainty, we live a life beset with difficulties, we are called to cope with the mystery of suffering every day, in different ways. And the Christ-child enters into our brokenness anew this Christmas. He assures us that not only will all the blessings of life outlast the difficulties, but they will be increased in miraculous ways in heaven. He enters our lives so that we can enter into his. And when the all-powerful, all-loving eternal Wisdom of God does that, then the result is completely secure. May the peace and joy, the hope and healing of this day be yours, and your family's. And please remember to celebrate for 11 days - and then celebrate the Epiphany!

Mary says thank you for her cards and gifts too - much appreciated.

**NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE** I think we enter the new year in real hope. I want to thank you personally for last year. You made my 25th anniversary very special, and you supported me in my illness - and both were important to me: probably the latter even more than the former. My year seemed to be echoed by Corpus Christi's in the sense that the celebration of getting the funding for our centre was quickly followed by the frustration of the professional work not starting. But, hopefully, I am back to health and the renovation will start January - but, of course, there is only one master of the future so, who knows? But because he is master of the future, we know that all will be well. St Anne's is about to be out of debt for the first time ever (I think) - and that should give us hope too: does that lead to consecration? I think the answer is mainly in our hands, dependent on our commitment. But I think at both churches we are in a place to go forward together and adore God and make a difference to others, together - bearing fruit that will last.

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  
who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls.  
Amen.

