

CORPUS CHRISTI and ST. ANNE'S

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Thank you!

Saturday 25th January - Sunday 2nd February 2025 Second Collections this weekend 3rd Sunday of ordinary Time Sunday of the Word of God C1 Parish Debt/ 25th 5.00pm Corpus Christi Philip Rocks Saturday Karis Centre Sunday 9.00am Dec'd of the Banan-Reves family 26th St. Anne's next weekend 11.00am Corpus Christi Hayton family Pro-Life Monday 27th No Mass 6.00pm **Extraordinary** Ministers Tuesday 28th Corpus Christi Adoration and Benediction and Readers St Thomas Aquinas 7.00pm Corpus Christi Holy Souls Wednesday 29th **3rd Sun of the year** 9.15am Corpus Christi The Doyle family 5pm: Marcel Marques; Dymphna Walton Thursday 30th 9.00am St Anne's school David Haywood. 31st 9.30am St Anne's Mary McSharry Friday 9am: Mateusz Dabrosz; St John Bosco St Anne's Rosary and Adoration 6.00pm Franklin Darko. Fr David Lloyd Saturday 1st Feb 9.30am St Anne's 11am: Gerard McAleese followed by adoration and Confessions until 10.30am and Emily Grant-Harros; THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD C1 Maria Bloodworth. Corpus Christi Saturday 5.00pm Ann Ward; Margaret Gavin 1st THE PRESENTATION Sunday 9.00am St. Anne's Chris Maguire; Angelo Discenza 2nd 5pm: Pat Timmons; 11.00am Corpus Christi Maureen O'Sullivan Caroline Ward. 9am: Jocelyn Gallen/ Ada Slips available at the back of church to have sanctuary lamp at either church offered Obasohan; Adetutu Achi. in memorial of someone, or at Corpus Christi to offer a candle at the foot of the 11am: Chukwudi Malize/ Sacred Heart, Our Lady Full of Grace or any of the saints' statues. Chris Frederick; Candles cost £3.50. Candy Enemaku. **3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time Financial Matters Responsorial Psalm Corpus Christi** St Anne's Your words, O Lord, are spirit and life. **First Collection** Gift-Aided (+SOs) £613.25 £165.00 **Gospel Acclamation** Non Gift-Aided £89.94 <u>324.07</u> £254.94 Total 937.32 Alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord has sent me to proclaim good news to the poor; Second Collection Pax Christi £356.41 £124.39 to proclaim liberty to the captives.

Alleluia. Alleluia. alleluia!

"Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." What an amazingly powerful line from Jesus, to end Luke's Gospel today. It brings home that proclaiming the good news to the poor is intimately connected to giving sight to the blind and freeing prisoners. Just as each of us is one person, body, soul and spirit, so any healing or life we receive to our spirit also brings healing and life to our soul and body too. Not always directly - like in Jesus' miracles - but still the three are always connected. Which is why the word of God is so important, and we should never reduce the Gospel to social charity - which is good but is not as healing as God's word. God's word gives us life, strengthens us against temptation, protects us in our weakness, and helps us to choose the path of growth. And all these things affect us spirit, soul and body. So, let us appreciate the healing power of God's word - and commit to being nourished on it more.

One way of doing that is to take a set of Mass Reading books home with you today. They are what is now the old translation, so not usable in the Mass, but are a great way of preparing for Mass by reading the Sunday readings at home. Please take a set and use them!

Safeguarding: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses 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,

Wow. Our **CONFIRMATION MASS** was extraordinary. From start to finish. A real credit to the children, and to our preparation - and of course to the Holy Spirit. A big thank you to Bishop Richard for Confirming the children, and for spending time in the schools beforehand. At the end of Masses this weekend, we'll be giving the Confirmandi their certificates. Well done. Now, be responsible for who you are to become, now you have been given the gift to be able to do that.

CHARIS EVENING: We also had an amazing atmosphere at our Charis evening, on Friday - especially the silence during adoration. We had 60 attend - we would have been hoping for an increase from last time, but with the wind, and the threat of stronger winds, I wasn't surprised we didn't. In fact 60 was good under the circumstances. Thank you to Fr Paul for his talk, and to the musicians, helpers, and refreshment providers. We didn't get a great home turn out - you really are missing out; there will come a time when you'll think, 'I wish I'd taken some of those opportunities provided'.

DEANERY READERS DAY And the Readers Day went very well too. A great talk from Fr Allen - he's very listenable-to. St Osburg's looked after us well.

This Sunday is **WORD OF GOD SUNDAY**, when we renew our thankfulness and wonder at having the Bible. It is so easy to get complacent about having a book that we know is directly inspired by God, and whose words have power to transform us and to protect us from temptation. I've often encouraged you to read the Sunday readings at home sometime before your Sunday Mass. Sunday Missals obviously help us to do that. My Day by Day is another way, but a third way is available to you today. We have put the Sunday Mass Booklets out ready for you to take a set. There are five books in the set. To start with, you will need Year C book 1. Unfortunately, we can't find Year B book 2 at the moment, but we have got over 2 years to do so! The books can't be used for Mass now, as they are of the old translation - and you know I ask you to listen, not read, anyway. But they still are good for reading the Liturgy of the Word beforehand, as it matters less what translation you use for that. So, if you'd like a set for you or for anyone else, please take one. They're free - so long as you intend to use them.

JOURNEY IN FAITH this Thursday, 7.45-9.00pm at Sacred Heart.

FIRST CONFESSION AND HOLY COMMUNION Letters and application forms are in the porch, to enrol your child for these great sacraments. First preparation session is this Thursday 30th January, 6pm at Corpus Christi Church. Please don't miss the start by good intentions remaining just good intentions.

VISITING HOUSEBOUND New visitors, I've emailed you with your visitee - please email me back with your availability as to when we can visit them together first time.

PIETY STALL AND LIBRARY Still looking for someone from St Anne's to join up with our volunteers from Corpus Christi to re-start a simple piety stall.

KARIS COMMUNITY CENTRE Fencing goes up around centre on Monday. We might have to wait a few days for work to start because of last hurdles and/or because of weather. Please do pray for our project.

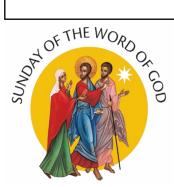
BOTH CHURCHES The Parish Council has agreed to go forward with getting projectors and screen for both churches. So far I have heard that there are 'deaf spots' in Corpus Christi, and that the loop system at St Anne's isn't great. I could do with help and more feedback in getting to the bottom of what is needed. It would also help to have some volunteers who know what they're talking about regarding what's available, too.

Please pray for **Bailey Read** who died recently, and for her family. Her funeral will be 10am at Corpus Christi on Tuesday, 18th February. May she rest in peace. Amen.

MY DAY BY DAY February is now available, £1.

Yours in Jesus and Mary,

Fr Stephe



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.

Prayer to St Michael

