



CORPUS CHRISTI and ST. ANNE'S

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Saturday 1st - Sunday 9th February 2025

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD C1

Saturday	1st	5.00pm	Corpus Christi	Ann Ward; Margaret Gavin
Sunday	2nd	9.00am	St. Anne's	Chris Maguire; Angelo Discenza
		11.00am	Corpus Christi	Maureen O'Sullivan; pro populo; Candelaria Montagne
Monday	3rd	No Mass		
Tuesday	4th	6.00pm	Corpus Christi	Adoration and Benediction
		7.00pm	Corpus Christi	The Doyle family
Wednesday	5th	9.15am	Corpus Christi	Holy Souls
St Agatha		1.30pm	Corpus Christi	Funeral Mass for Philomena Morrison
Thursday	6th	9.00am	St Anne's school	John & Helen
Ss Paul Miki & Companions				
Friday	7th	9.30am	St Anne's	Tony Kavanagh; Philip Richardson
		6.00pm	St Anne's	Rosary and Adoration
Saturday	8th	9.30am	St Anne's	Paulo Calip
St Josephine Bakita				
<i>followed by adoration and Confessions until 10.30am</i>				

5TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR C1

Saturday	8th	5.00pm	Corpus Christi	Edward Trenchard; pro populo
Sunday	9th	9.00am	St. Anne's	Mary Woulahan; Helen
		11.00am	Corpus Christi	James Cannon; Holy Souls

our Jacobite friends will be using Corpus Christi Friday evening and Saturday daytime to celebrate their annual feast day.

Second Collections

this weekend

Pro-Life

next weekend

Parish Debt/
Karis Centre

Extraordinary Ministers and Readers

THE PRESENTATION

5pm: Pat Timmons;
Caroline Ward.
9am: Jocelyn Gallen/
Ada Obasohan;
Adetutu Achi.
11am: Chukwudi Malize/
Chris Frederick;
Candy Enemaku.

5TH SUN OF THE YEAR

5pm: Helen Ward;
Marie Anne Bowell.
9am: John Fallan/
Obose Ehi-Aloja;
Jane Ehi-Aloja.
11am: John/Alphonse;
Kay Lewis.

PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory!

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia!

A light for revelation to the Gentiles,
and for glory to your people Israel.

Alleluia, Alleluia, alleluia!

Financial Matters

	Corpus Christi	St Anne's
First Collection		
Gift-Aided (+SOs)	£272.50	£138.00
Non Gift-Aided	£236.01	£131.33
Total	£508.51	£269.33

Second Collection

Parish Debt		£119.41
Karis Centre	£373.77	

Thank you!

“And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his Temple.”

Especially if it's dark, the Candlemas opening to Mass reflects Jesus, the Light of the World, entering into his Temple. A couple bringing their firstborn son to the Temple on the 40th day would have been a very common sight - hardly worth mentioning by onlookers, except this time something completely new is happening. The one who makes the Temple holy, the one whose Temple it is, is entering his home on earth. (Remember this is why the next story in Luke is Jesus being 'found' in the Temple, because by 12 years old, he has understood that it is his home.)

From the time of Adam and Eve it was understood that the first of any gift from God should be offered back to him, in honour and thanksgiving. This was seen in the tithing of all produce - the first tenth of all that was made or harvested. The firstborn son was offered to God, by giving him to the Temple, but then the parents 'bought him back' by offering two doves or pigeons. But it was specifically the firstborn son who carried on this offering to God - the priesthood of the firstborn son, if you like. Jesus is God's firstborn Son, and THE priest - and the Temple!

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,

We are in a **JUBILEE YEAR**. The Church has had these every 25 years since 1475. This Jubilee actually began when Pope Francis opened the Holy Door in St Peter's on Christmas Eve. But we were busy celebrating Christmas then. Our schools started in earnest last week - as the banner outside Corpus Christi shows. And have learnt new hymns - as St Anne's really showed on Thursday. Last week's Gospel, of Jesus proclaiming a year of jubilee from the Lord links in really well with this. We need to now start entering into the 'Jubilee spirit'. Maybe a parish pilgrimage somewhere? Learn a couple of new Jubilee hymns? What else could we do? The title of the jubilee is 'pilgrims of hope'.

That title was reflected well on Thursday, when we started our **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** preparation sessions - with 40 children and parents - and even some siblings attending. It was a lovely, lively, happy atmosphere and means we can look forward to journeying on pilgrimage together towards First Confession and Holy Communion. Our next session is this Thursday, 6-7pm at Corpus Christi Church. Then next Sunday are our Commitment Masses.

Today is **PRO-LIFE SUNDAY**. There is a retiring collection for the charity, Life. I also ask you to do two things. Firstly, 'adopt an unborn baby'. There are cards available with the picture of Our Lady of Guadeloupe on. The simple request is to adopt an unborn baby in prayer and pray for them every day until birth - for them, their mother and family. I don't really understand the space on the card for you to name the baby - because that's not your prerogative! But I suppose giving the baby a name helps us commit to them. Please take a card, ask Mary for a baby to spiritually adopt, and pray for them for 9 months.

Secondly, can you help challenge the awful process that the Assisted Suicide Bill is undergoing. Kim Leadbeater is holding committee meetings in secret, packed with pro-euthanasia people, deciding that only voices they like will be interviewed. There is precious little democratic about this, and should be challenged even by pro-euthanasia people. CitizenGO have a petition up for it - just google them. We are in danger of a very grave evil entering our country.

JOURNEY IN FAITH this Thursday, 7.45-9.00pm at Corpus Christi.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: next sessions are Friday 7.30-8.30pm: St Anne's 1st session; Sacred Heart 2nd session.

CHARIS EVENING: Our next Charis evening is Friday 28th February, at Corpus Christi Church, 6-8pm.

Following on from **WORD OF GOD SUNDAY** last week, there are sets of Mass Readings booklets available, free. Please take a set and read the Sunday Readings before Sunday Mass, ideally at home. Next week we are on p. 135 of Year C Volume 1.

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.

KARIS COMMUNITY CENTRE We've started; digging starts this week. Now our attention tunes to furnishing it!

PROJECTORS We've all had 2 months to share any opinions on projectors and screen in both our churches. Despite no real concerns raised, I am still a bit nervous about adding them and it spoiling our 'spiritual décor' but I'm also excited because I think the plusses far outweigh that concern. We need help with our music, having lost both organists; we need to be able to have hymns that our children know and hopefully also parishioners from different cultures. The screens will also help with our school Masses. So many churches in Coventry have them, are online, and have contactless giving and we have none of these - so maybe it's time to catch up a bit. The screen at Corpus Christi is planned to go above the priest's chair, the one at St Anne's between Our Lady's statue and the sanctuary lamp. Both are retractable, and so will be much less obvious when not in use.

Please pray for **Philomena Morrison, Bailey Read** and **Nancy Keogh** who all died recently, and for their families. Philomena's funeral is this Wednesday 1.30pm; Bailey's is Tuesday 18th February at 10am; Nancy's is Friday 7th March, 1pm - all at Corpus Christi. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Please pray for Ann Sweeten, Kathy Williams and all who are sick.

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

Yours in Jesus and Mary,



Prayer to St Michael

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.

