

CORPUS CHRISTI and ST. ANNE'S

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Saturday 1st - Sun 9th March, 2025							
1st Sunday of Lent C1							
Saturday	8th	5.00pm	Corpus Christi	John Gavin; Margaret Rocks			
Sunday	9th	9.00am	St. Anne's	Margaret Fleming; Doreen Cadden David Atkinson; Kazimir & Christina			
		11.00am	Corpus Christi	Margaret & John Gillespie; pro populo	ı		
Monday	10th	No Mass					
Tuesday	11th	1.00pm	Corpus Christi	Funeral Mass for Jean Toal	ľ		
		6.00pm	Corpus Christi	Adoration and Benediction	ŀ		
		7.00pm	Corpus Christi	Kathleen Fearick	l		
Wednesday	12th	9.15am	Corpus Christi	Maureen Kelly O'Sullivan			
Thursday	13th	8.25am	Corpus Christi	10 min mini-Stations before school h Charlie O'Connor Funeral Mass of Maurice Baker			
		9.30am	St Anne's church				
		11.00am	St Anne's				
Friday	14th	11.30am	Corpus Christi	Funeral Mass of Judith Hand			
		6.00pm	Corpus Christi	Stations of the Cross and adoration	l		
Saturday	15th	9.30am	St Anne's	Helen Fallan			
followed by adoration and Confessions until 10.30am							
2nd Sunday of Lent C1							
Saturday	15th	5.00pm	Corpus Christi	Philomena Morrison; Connor family	l		
Sunday	16th	9.00am	St. Anne's	Patrizia Velotta; pro populo	ĺ		
		11.00am	Corpus Christi	William & Sheila Fawcett; Jack Richardson			

Second Collections this weekend Parish Debt/

Karis Centre

next weekend

CAFOD - Family Fast

Extraordinary Ministers and Readers

1st Sunday of Lent 5pm: Marcel Marques; Pat Timmons.. 9am: Jocelyn/Ada; Franklin Darko. 11am: Chuk/Chris;

Anne Malize. 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

5pm: Pat Timmons; David Haywood. 9am: John/Obose; Adetutu Achi. 11am: John Teeling/ Alphonse Alasah; Maria Bloodworth.

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT **Responsorial Psalm**

Be with me, O Lord, in my distress.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

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<u>Financial Matters</u>							
	Corpus Christi	St Anne's					
First Collection Gift-Aided (+SOs) Non Gift-Aided Total	£547.02 <u>£252.11</u> £799.13	£146.00 £151.92 £297.92					
Second Collection Cathedral Maintenance	n £363.90	£104.90					
Thank you!							

'Man shall not live by bread alone.'

We had a great start to Lent on Ash Wednesday: a completely full church at Corpus Christi, and a good turn out at St Anne's in the evening. And a good start to Stations of the Cross on Friday. And at all of them the faith of us really was tangible - not least in the responses. Have you started well, too? Prayer: mini-stations 8.25am Thursdays at CC, for 10 mins before school - a great family practice; Stations 6pm Fridays this week at CC; Morning and Evening Prayer in your own time but in union with the other parishioners who are joining in; coming to a weekday Mass or adoration; reading the Bible daily; daily rosary; a little visit to church before or after school. Almsgiving: family fast day this Friday; foodbank; toiletries for Homeless Centre. Fasting: going without food for a certain time; giving up chocolates and snacks; giving up alcohol; giving up computer games or phone games; no meat during Lent. It is good to give up gossiping, or impatience, or other faults, but in my experience, without genuine fasting this stays a pious thought: what marks Jesus' 40 days in the desert was fasting.

Dear Parishioners,

Sadly, last Sunday, Mr Shakespeare our head teacher, died after his long battle with cancer. While every death is sad, the death of a young husband, dad and person who had sought to help so many children grow in faith and knowledge is perhaps particularly hard.

Catholic communities, of course, are not defined by bad things not happening to them. But they often are defined, or at least show their depth, in the face of tragedy. And our school and our parish are no exception. I think the acting head and deputy, the team around them, the staff, the pupils and all at the school have been amazing in their response - a lot of healing has been experienced at our school this week. There's been tears, smiles, support, shared confusion and pain, and shared trust and hope: healing through reality, not avoidance of it. And it was good to have Ash Wednesday and then a more lighter-hearted book day to help everyone find spiritual help and a bit of escape. Please do pray for everyone involved, especially his family.

JUBILEE YEAR: More of you have said you're in favour of a mini-pilgrimage to Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford. So, we're looking at a Sunday afternoon, possibly 14th September - hiring a coach and all going up the M6. The picture at the bottom of the page is of the grotto there, taken Tuesday evening.

CAN YOU HELP? We had a good response to my request for various volunteers; I'd say we're half way there...

- 1) 2 people at CC offered to help Caroline with health & safety thank you! We just need one from SA, please.
- 2) We may have a volunteer at SA to help Seamus with the contactless giving: what about at 5pm and 11am?
- 3) Help with the piety stall we could do with one volunteer for the 11am and 2 for the 9am.
- 4) Dominic has fixed the gate post! Now we just need someone to create a 'shelf' on the lectern at St Anne's so we can use a better mike?

Please benefit the parish, and make my life easier, by being generous with these!

Please pray for those who have recently died, especially Mr Shakespeare. and those whose funerals are next week: **Jean Toal**, funeral Tuesday 11th March, 1pm, **Maurice Baker**, funeral at St Anne's, Thursday 13th March, 11am and **Judith Hand**, funeral Friday 14th March, 11.30am. May they all rest in peace.

Please pray for Pope Francis, Helen Fallan, Ann Sweeten, Philip Richardson, Dominic King and all who are sick.

DAY OF RECOLLECTION FOR EUCHARIST MINISTERS: is at St Thomas More Church on Saturday 22nd March, 9.30am Mass - 1pm soup and sandwiches. This fulfils the commitment ministers made when you were last commissioned, so unless you've already been on such a day already since last Maundy Thursday, this is a must.

FIRST CONFESSION PREPARATION last session this Thursday, 6pm at Corpus Christi. First Confessions 6pm Thursday 20th March. Please all pray for our children and their parents.

JOURNEY IN FAITH Thursday, 13th March, 7.45-9.00pm at Corpus Christi.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: next sessions, this Fri 14th Mar, 7.30-8.30pm: St Anne's 1st one; Sacred Heart 2nd one.

KARIS CENTRE Work is continuing. The last of the grants we've got should be received this month. We have two further grant applications in the pipeline. We will still have to raise money for furnishings - lets think about that in April/May. Prayers please that we can get the manhole issue resolved.

CONFIRMATION PHOTOS Finally got them! Please look through photos at back of CC, and put down which number you want sending to your email address - you can take the paper copy too.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: A nice problem, but at both churches we are getting too many childern coming - can you not send under 4s please - it is too much for the people leading it. Sorry.

SACRED HEART are inviting us to their **QUIZ NIGHT** - Saturday 22nd March – 7.00pm £2 entry. Food to purchase on the night. Bring your own drinks. Soft drinks, teas and coffees available to purchase.

The next **AWAKENING:** English service is happening in Bethel convention centre, West Bromwich on April 5th, 9am to 4 pm. There is a coach going from Coventry: ring 07736 709369 Ansy, or 7827 872079 Jaison to book.

CHAPEL OF UNITY at Coventry Cathedral: **LENT REFLECTIONS** an on-line 20-minute Psalm Reflection at 6.00pm each Monday evening during Lent, on 10, 17, 24, 31 March and 7 & 14 April. Zoom meeting: ID: 864 9505 4646 and Passcode: COUR2025.

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.

