



CORPUS CHRISTI and ST. ANNE'S

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Saturday 22nd - Sun 30th March, 2025

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT C1

Saturday	22nd	5.00pm	Corpus Christi	Ita Cox; Jim Durran; pro populo
Sunday	23rd	9.00am	St. Anne's	Christine Kent; Liberato Velotta
		11.00am	Corpus Christi	William Mara; Kay & Maureen
Monday	24th	No Mass		
Tuesday	25th	6.00pm	Corpus Christi	Adoration and Benediction
THE ANNUNCIATION		7.00pm	Corpus Christi	Philomena Morrison
Wednesday	26th	9.15am	Corpus Christi	Maureen O'Sullivan
Thursday	27th	8.25am	Corpus Christi	10 min mini-Stations before school
		9.30am	St Anne's church	Marie Reid; Special Intention
Friday	28th	6.00pm	Corpus Christi	Charis evening: Stations of the Cross, Mass, talk, adoration, Confessions
		<i>followed by light refreshments - all welcome</i>		
Saturday	29th	9.30am	St Anne's	Walter Burke; Helen Fallan
<i>followed by adoration and Confessions until 10.30am</i>				

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT MOTHERING SUNDAY C1

Saturday	29th	5.00pm	Corpus Christi	Mary Gavin; Nancy Keogh
Sunday	30th	9.00am	St. Anne's	Christina & Kazimir Bieliauskas; Kosisochukwu King David Akaogu
		11.00am	Corpus Christi	Trevor Bloodworth; pro populo

Sanctuary lamps and candles by a statue can be dedicated to a loved one or any prayer intention - forms aer at the back of church. Each candle costs £3.50 and lasts a week

Second Collections this weekend and next weekend

Parish Debt/
Karis Centre

Extraordinary Ministers and Readers

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT
 5pm: Helen Ward;
Caroline Ward
 9am: Seamus Brannigan;
Jane Ehi-Aloja.
 11am: Victoria/Nelly;
Candy Enemaku.

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT
 5pm: Claire Reay;
Marie Anne Bowell.
 9am: Jocelyn/Ada;
John Fallan.
 11am: Peter/Patti;
Chukwudi Malize.

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is compassionate and gracious.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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Repent, says the Lord

for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Financial Matters

	Corpus Christi	St Anne's
First Collection		
Gift-Aided (+SOs)	£510.40	£137.00
Non Gift-Aided	<u>£250.29</u>	<u>£113.36</u>
Total	£760.69	£250.36
Second Collection		
CAFOD	£316.49	£131.29

Thank you!

Do you think these Galileans who suffers were worse sinners than others?

The mystery of suffering has troubled humans since the first sin. Many Jews thought a person's suffering was caused by their own sins: good people were blessed, evil people cursed. Jesus helped them realise it didn't work like that: good people are blessed eventually, but are no more protected from suffering than others. Jesus uses today's Gospel to take us one step further - any suffering we see or hear about should make us more committed to overcoming sin, because humanity's suffering is indeed caused by humanity's sin. His own example then takes us to the next step: we should be willing to suffer in order to help overcome sin and therefore other people's suffering. It is the Body of Christ's suffering that saves the world - his physical body on the Cross, and now his mystical body, the Church, in union with him. There is more persecution of the Church in this world than ever. We need to be aware of this, and be in solidarity with those who suffer. A mystery Christ enters us into, particularly through the healing of the leper, is that in being healed by him, we are empowered to suffer more for the sake of his body. While we instinctively want healing from suffering, what Christ actually heals us from is meaningless suffering.

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,

Today we have the Laying on of Hands - a powerful way to deepen our journey into Lent, and begin our preparation for Holy Week. Thankfully, we won't have scaffolding on the sanctuary at Corpus Christi - that's just going up Wednesday-Thursday.

Tuesday is the great **Solemnity of the Annunciation** - one of the biggest feasts of the year. Do try and do something extra to celebrate. Obviously, coming to adoration and/or Mass in the evening is one way of doing that. Short notice, I know, but at 6pm I'm going to renew my 33 days to morning glory consecration to Mary, that some of us did over a year ago. If you'd like to join me in renewing yours, then either come to adoration for 6pm, or do it at 6pm wherever you are.

Pope Francis has called for this Fri/Sat 28th/29th to be another '**24 Hours for the Lord**'. I've been a bit slow in inviting you to join in these times of prayer, initiated by the Holy Father. But I am doing so now. We do have our March Charis evening on Friday 28th - 6-8.30pm: that would be a perfect way of joining in. We'll have stations rather than rosary, at the start, and this month's speaker is quite a renowned one - Br Joseph Muckatt. So, why don't you come to some or all of it, in union with your Pope and parish priest!

Another way of joining in this **24 Hours for the Lord** would be to come to adoration 10am on the Saturday morning, at St Anne's. There is also the **Parish Council meeting** straight after, in the Joachim Room. This is the first of the 'open meetings' of the Council - meaning anyone and everyone from the parish is welcome, so you could stay for that if you wanted.

Thanks for the various volunteering in response to my recent requests. We are shortly having a 'shelf' on the lectern at St Anne's, allowing for a better microphone. We will be meeting shortly with volunteers from Corpus Christi, to set up a **Piety Stall**. We have 4 volunteers to help Caroline with the role of health and safety, and that will hopefully mean there isn't too much for any one person.

We also have 2 volunteers to help with powerpoints for the **new projectors**. For one thing, this will mean we can sing hymns that aren't in our hymn books. We need to get our use of the projectors right, and that might take time and a bit of trial and error. Please be patient and helpful. We want our usage to enhance the Mass, not distract from it. I'm definitely hoping that it will allow us to be more diverse in our music - for different ages and different cultures. My first pondering is, for hymns, is it better to have the words up on the wall; or is it better to have that and music playing - from a 'karaoke' youtube video; or is it better to have a youtube video that has the words, music and someone singing on it? I'm happy for feedback, either now or in response to our first attempts. The schools are helping us with Masses on Sunday 6th - probably our debut for the projectors and a powerpoint.

CONTACTLESS GIVING We also now have volunteers to help with contactless giving at the 9am and 11am Masses. Remember, this is as an extra option to the ways you can give already: Standing Order or in the collections during Mass. It allows you to donate money to the parish before Mass or indeed at any time. We're going to start at St Anne's first, this week! We use an app called square. If you want to donate before Mass, instead of at the offertory, please do see Seamus or Pam and they will use a parish phone and card reader. If you want to use your own phone **at any time**, just use the QR code at the bottom of the newsletter and follow instructions. Let's see. Other parishes have started off slowly, but interest has grown as people get over fears.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION ENVELOPES: are now here, please collect them today.

KARIS CENTRE We've had some good news this week, but can I wait until next weekend before I tell you? - as it is either good news, or very good news! We still do need your ongoing prayers over permissions, please.

Our **Triduum**, will be: **Maundy Thursday 7pm at St Anne's**, followed by watching; **Good Friday 3pm at Corpus Christi**; **Easter Vigil 8.30pm at Corpus Christi**. This really is one service, so do please think seriously about putting these in your diary now and attending them all (17th-19th March) - it really will give you a good focus for Lent. **Altar Servers and Parents** Could servers please serve all three of them? Could you sign up this weekend? We'll have a practice after Mass on Palm Sunday for Thursday/Friday, then a practice 10am, at CC, on Sat 19th for the Easter Vigil. **Choirs** Could you please lead the singing for the Triduum? Could we have a joint practice Mon 7th April, at CC for Holy Thursday and Good Friday, and on Mon 14th, at CC, for Easter Vigil? All welcome.

Please pray for Michael Byrne, Walter Burke and Mr Shakespeare who died recently. Please also pray for Pope Francis, Helen Fallan, Marie Reid, Ann Sweeten, Philip Richardson, Dominic King and all who are sick.

JOURNEY IN FAITH Thursday, 27th March, 7.45-9.00pm at Corpus Christi.

Yours in Jesus and Mary,

Fr Stephen

QR code for contactless giving at St Anne's



MARIAN ANTHEM FOR LENT

Ave, Regina caelorum. Ave, Domina Angelorum:
Salve, radix, salve, porta, ex qua mundo lux est orta:

Gaude, Virgo gloriosa, super omnes speciosa,
Vale, O valde decora, et pro nobis Christum exora.

Hail, Queen of Heaven. Hail Lady of Angels.
Hail, root of life, hail, gate through which light came into the world:

Rejoice, O glorious Virgin, lovely beyond all others,
Farewell, most beautiful maiden, and pray for us to Christ.

