



CORPUS CHRISTI and ST. ANNE'S

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Saturday 29th March - Sunday 6th April, 2025

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; dec'd members of Morrison family; Loretta Byrne
Monday	31st	No Mass		
Tuesday	1st Apr	6.00pm	Corpus Christi	Adoration and Benediction
		7.00pm	Corpus Christi	Holy Souls
Wednesday	2nd	9.15am	Corpus Christi	Mr Shakespeare
Thursday	3rd	8.25am	Corpus Christi	10 min mini-Stations before school
		9.10am	St Anne's school	Maurice Baker
Friday	4th	9.30am	St Anne's	Tony Kavanagh
		6.00pm	St Anne's	Stations and adoration
Saturday	5th	9.30am	St Anne's	Lena & Johny Collins

followed by adoration and Confessions until 10.30am

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT C1

Saturday	6th	5.00pm	Corpus Christi	John & Angela Gormley; Frances & Tim Glancy; Michael & Anne Tobin
Sunday	7th	9.00am	St. Anne's	Holy Family; Sciandra family
		11.00am	Corpus Christi	Fr Stephen & family; pro populo

Confessions after Tuesday and Saturday Masses: **Penitential Services:** Ss Mary and Benedict 7pm 8th April; Sacred Heart, 7pm 14th April; Corpus Christi, 7pm 15th April.

Second Collections this weekend and next weekend

Parish Debt/
Karis Centre

Extraordinary Ministers and Readers

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5pm: Claire Reay;
Marie Anne *Bowell.*
9am: Jocelyn/Ada;
John *Fallan.*
11am: Peter/Patti;
Chukwudi *Malize.*

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

5pm: Caroline Ward;
Julie *Martin.*
9am: school/Obese;
Hugh *Fahy.*
11am: school/Emily;
Kelechi *Uche-Ukah.*

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Responsorial Psalm

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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I will arise and go to my father, and say to him

‘Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before you’.

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Financial Matters

	Corpus Christi	St Anne's
First Collection		
Gift-Aided (+SOs)	£336.00	£131.00
Non Gift-Aided	<u>£280.48</u>	<u>£157.01</u>
Total	£616.48	£288.01
Second Collection		
Karis Centre	£229.23	
Parish Debt		£127.30

Thank you!

‘While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and had compassion’

Surely the parable of the Prodigal Son is the story that best highlights God's love for us. It really complements today being Mothering Sunday, which originated in England as a celebration of Mother Church: we have a very loving heavenly Father and Mother. Many of us had or have a very loving earthly mother and father, but we all have very loving heavenly parents. Loving parents give us stability and help us to grow. They give us good principles to live by, if we choose to then accept them and make them our own. All this strengthens us against anxiety and a desire to control. So the beauty of today is that, even if your earthly parents weren't able to provide all this for you, your heavenly parents can. So, today, let's give thanks for all the loving parents we've had, and have got. Happy Mothering Sunday, Mums!

Saturday 5pm-ers: remember clocks go forward an hour tonight. **Sunday Mass** goes, if no one else has turned up for Mass, you forgot!

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: 27th April, 2pm St Mary and St Benedict, service including chaplet.

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,

Last weekend's laying on of hands was very powerful I think - and many of you seemed to feel the same. We had a great celebration of Mass for the Annunciation. On Thursday, we also had a very inspiring Stations of the Cross for the Year 5s of both schools, at St Anne's Church. Our numbers at Charis are growing slightly - thanks to all those who gave it a go, even if only the first hour. Great stuff.

Notice anything different about church this weekend? I suspect not, if the projectors aren't playing, as I think they've done a remarkable job in fitting them without disturbing the feel of the churches. We now have a screen and projector at St Anne's - and a much improved sound system. We have two projectors and a monitor at Corpus Christi and I think we were right that we didn't need screens if we projected onto the back wall above the statues. We'll play a couple of videos to Mary before Masses this weekend, then will try and use them when the schools are joining us and taking part in next Sunday's Masses.

CONTACTLESS GIVING We 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've started at St Anne's first. 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.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION ENVELOPES: are now here, please collect them today. Please consider **Gift Aid**, if you pay tax and you give to the church - we get 25% off the government without any affect on you, or any awkward questions. It's the only 'free lunch' still around. Sheets are at the back of church.

KARIS CENTRE Building is progressing - more windows went in this week. We did very well with 2 grants that we have been successful with, for furnishings. We've also done well in being given some very useful café equipment very cheaply, as well as some chairs from a local village hall. All in all, it's looking much better financially. We've chosen granite for the colour of the outside cladding. We still are getting bogged down with admin and permissions - so please do keep all this in your prayers.

CONFESSION is a central part of Lent. We are duty bound to go to Confession at Easter or thereabouts. Confession is available after both Saturday Masses. We also have 3 more **Penitential Services** in our mission area: at **Ss Mary and Benedict** (CV1 5QF), 7pm Tuesday 8th April; at **Sacred Heart** (CV2 4BT), 7pm Monday 14th April; and at **Corpus Christi**, 7pm Tuesday 15th April. (This does mean that on Tuesday 8th and 15th April, Mass at Corpus Christi will be at 6pm followed by adoration, rather than at 7pm preceded by adoration.)

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 April) - it really will give you a good focus for Lent. **Altar Servers and Parents** 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** Our joint practices are Mon 7th April, at CC for Holy Thursday and Good Friday, and on Mon 14th, at CC, for Easter Vigil. All welcome.

Michael Byrne's funeral is at 12.15pm on **Tuesday 8th April**. Please for him and his family, and all the recently deceased, and their loved ones. 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, 3rd April, 7.45-9.00pm at **Corpus Christi**.

CONTACTLESS GIVING and **PIETY STALL** meeting 11am Saturday 5th April, Tuite Room, Corpus Christi.

REAL NEWS Some of you asked me about the persecutions etc. that I was speaking about last weekend - and how you find out more about them. Aid to the Church in Need, Zenit (the Vatican news website), CitizensGo, Ordo Iuris and SPUC are all good for important news - just put the name in your search engine and click on the website. You can even sign up for their emails. I find they don't send too many. One example is Aid to the Church in Need reporting on the visit this week of a Nigerian Bishop to England crying for help as over 17,500 churches have been attacked, 2,000 Christian schools destroyed and over 3 million Christians displaced over the last decade.

PC MEETING We had a good Parish council meeting, including several other parishioners attending, as it was 'open'. News about parish merger, St Anne's possible consecration, Mass of Many Tongues and more, to follow.

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.

