



CORPUS CHRISTI and ST. ANNE'S

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Saturday 9th - Sunday 17th September, 2023

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME A1

Saturday	9th	5.00pm	Corpus Christi	People of the Parish
Sunday	10th	9.00am	St. Anne's	Joanna Goode; Marie Hever
		11.00am	Corpus Christi	Sheila Kay; Anie Mang, John and Martin Klard
Monday	11th	No Mass		
Tuesday	12th	6.00pm	Corpus Christi	Adoration & Benediction
		7.00pm	Corpus Christi	Special Intention (P & P)
Wednesday	13th	9.15am	Corpus Christi	John & Margare Morris
Thursday	14th	9.30am	St Anne's Church	Clare Kenny
EXALTATION OF THE CROSS		11.30am	Corpus Christi	Funeral Mass for Peter Martin
Friday	15th	9.30am	St Anne's	Betty Lennon
Our Lady of Sorrows		6.00pm	St Anne's	Rosary & Adoration
Saturday	16th	9.30am	St Anne's	Hever family

then Confessions and adoration until 10.30am

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME A1

Saturday	16th	5.00pm	Corpus Christi	Eddie Trenchard; Barrie & Carmen
Sunday	17th	9.00am	St. Anne's	Elliot Beattie
		11.00am	Corpus Christi	Umpayu Hermenie; Malcolm Knight

Pleas pray for Elsa Fowler, Elsie Hampshire and Devone Cullinane
 who are to be baptised this Sunday, and their families,
 that this great sacrament will help them all grow in faith and love.

Second Collections

This Weekend

M.S.F./ parish debt

Next Weekend

Catholic Evangelisation

Extraordinary Ministers and Readers

9th/10th Sep
 5pm Pat Timmons;
Caroline Ward.
 9am John & Stella;
Sandhya Mathew.
 11am Emmanuel;
Chukwudi Malize.

16th/17th Sep
 5pm Helen Ward;
Marie Anne Bowell.
 9am Ann Saju;
John Fallan.
 11am Gerard McAleese;
Mary Pearson.

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Responsorial Psalm

O that today you would listen to his voice!
 'Harden not your hearts.'

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Your word is truth, O Lord; Consecrate us in the truth.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Financial Matters

	Corpus Christi	St Anne's
First Collection		
Gift-Aided (+SOs)	£356.10	£139.00
Non Gift-Aided	<u>£203.92</u>	<u>£195.85</u>
Total	£560.02	£334.85
Second Collection		
M.S.F./ parish debt	£337.04	£195.85

Thank you!

"IF YOUR BROTHER LISTENS TO YOU, YOU HAVE WON BACK YOUR BROTHER."

Do I say something to them, or leave it? It's one of the hardest decisions in everyday life. Fear of the conversation going wrong can make us avoid it - but that's not really a good reason to stay silent; sensitive conversations need to be handled sensitively, not avoided. Patiently waiting for the right moment is good though. Normally, the closer the person is to you, the more important it is to say something - firstly because it is too important not to, but also, invariably, if we don't say it at a good moment, emotions just build up in me and I say it at a bad moment, badly.

Our prime motive should be that I want them to grow, but also, I normally want to stop suffering too. Though it is worth making the distinction between are they doing something wrong or destructive, or just annoying me because I prefer things done differently. An important thing to remember is that, when you do bring a subject up, you will have been thinking about it loads, and they probably won't have, so you need to start very gently and give them chance to 'catch up'. The more you can use non-confrontational language, the better. 'When you do this, I feel...' is much better than 'You make me feel...'. Sometimes, asking a question is a good way in, 'Can I ask: why do you tend to...?' is better than, 'I wish you wouldn't always...'. Following on from that, extreme language is rarely helpful, 'I often feel...' is better than, 'You always/You never...'. Finally, even if you do it kindly, skilfully and lovingly, you can still get a bad reaction, especially first time. But that doesn't mean you shouldn't have said it - and they can often think better of things later, and maybe even come back to you. We all have a self-destruct dimension within us; love includes trying to protect each other from ourselves.

Safeguarding: Caroline Ward, Pat Timmons & Rosaria Petrucci

Dear Parishioners,

I hope you are coping with the heat - and have had a good first week back at school. Why do these always seem to coincide?!

September gives us a good opportunity to have a spiritual MOT and think ahead for the year. Last week I was inviting you to consider finding (more) time in silent prayer, especially before the Blessed Sacrament. This is important anyway, but particularly as Pope Francis called for 2024 to be a Year of Prayer. We're planning to have Corpus Christi church opened mornings and afternoons for prayer - once we've upgraded the CCTV. We did have a few more come to adoration on Friday and Saturday, but a few less on Tuesday! Do have a think if you can just pop in for 15 minutes during adoration, starting 6pm both evenings - or 10am Saturdays at St Anne's.

Today I'm inviting you to have a 'Mass MOT'. I've said several of these things before, and there has been a good response. The invitation is that wherever you are on this list, to consider taking one step forward.

1) **Come to Sunday Mass every week.** Mass is 'spiritual gym' - if other things take priority and we don't come weekly, then we don't get spiritually fit.

2) **Come on time.** 9am at St Anne's with children isn't easy, but there's no reason not to be there five or ten minutes before the start of 11am Mass. Coming late means you aren't ready to receive from the Lord until around the Gospel. Think about lighting a candle in prayer with your child before Mass, helping them get recollected.

3) **Sing, and listen to, don't read, the readings.** We're called to participate in the Mass, and singing is a great way to do that. I sing so loudly, no one is going to hear if you're out of tune!

4) **Find some quiet time to prepare for Mass.** Mass is an offering to the Father of all I am and have done - so I need time to think through what I'm offering, including the good to be celebrated, and the bad, to be forgiven. This takes a bit of quiet time. It's really helpful if parents can help their children with this. The quiet time can be in church, or at home - first thing in the morning, or just before you leave.

5) **Chat with someone afterwards,** ideally as a family, about the Mass, the homily, your reactions and thoughts.

Community: Mass and community are inseparable- we are made the Body of Christ. Small steps could be:

6) **Say hello to someone new after Mass.** Even stop for refreshments - but only if you're going to talk to new people.

7) Is there an older person you could offer to bring to Mass?

8) Is there a parent who struggles a bit in Mass whom you could offer to help?

9) **Take the newsletter home and read it.**

10) Stop, and read the noticeboards, and look at the library books.

11) **Could you offer to help at Mass?** With children's liturgy, welcoming, altar serving, reading, being a minister, helping with refreshments or the sacristy?

We've moved a lot on some of these, less so on others. Could you take another step this new academic year?

I'll soon be communicating with you about sacramental preparation this year, and Journey in Faith, and other opportunities for us to grow in faith. So, please do think about whether you, or someone you know, would like to learn more about the faith, particularly with a view to becoming Catholic. It's always better if you invite someone personally and offer to journey with them.

Have you helped with our **charity work for overseas**? Could you let me know about it please.

40 Days for Life begins on Wednesday 27th Sep. If you can't join in, maybe you could consider attending the 'Kick-off' event: Sun 24th September, 4pm, Ss Joseph & St Helen's Church, Kings Norton, B30 1JG, when Rev Calvin Robinson will be talking about 'The importance of praying in public'. You might want to donate to marchfor life. If so, go to www.marchforlife.co.uk

Next **Parish Council Meeting**: Wednesday 27th September, 7pm at Corpus Christi.

Next **Linkline meetings**: Friday 29th September, 4.30pm, presbytery, for committee; Sat 30th, 11am, Fr Tuite room for volunteers.

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.

Could you knit a cardy for a premature baby?

