



CORPUS CHRISTI and ST. ANNE'S

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Saturday 23rd September - Sunday 1st October, 2023

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME A1

Saturday	23rd	5.00pm	Corpus Christi	Walter & Kathleen Fearick; Esther Purcell
Sunday	24th	9.00am	St. Anne's	People of the parish; special intention
		11.00am	Corpus Christi	Harry & Eileen Hayton; Alphonse & Stella (22nd wedding)
Monday	25th	No Mass		
Tuesday	26th	6.00pm	Corpus Christi	Adoration & Benediction
		7.00pm	Corpus Christi	Thomas Millsopp
Wednesday	27th	9.30am	Corpus Christi	Edward Trenchard
		St Vincent de Paul		
Thursday	28th	9.30am	St Anne's Church	Edna Kent; all grandparents
Friday	29th	9.30am	St Anne's	Jack Upton
		6.00pm	St Anne's	Rosary & Adoration
Saturday	30th	9.30am	St Anne's	Peter Thomas

then Confessions and adoration until 10.30am

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME A1

Saturday	30th	5.00pm	Corpus Christi	Peter Noonan; people of the parish
Sunday	1st Oct	9.00am	St. Anne's	Mary McGuinness & family
		11.00am	Corpus Christi	John Hayton; Yosefina Rahail; Annie Brady

It's a secular feast, brought over from the US, but Sunday 1st is Grandparent's Day - if you are a grandparent, why not invite your grandchildren to Mass with you next weekend, to celebrate with you? And light a candle together before Mass, to say thank you for each other. We'll even pray a bidding prayer for you!

Second Collections

This Weekend

Fr Hudson's Society

Next Weekend

Home Mission

(the one after is CAFOD family fast day)

Extraordinary Ministers and Readers

23rd/24th Sep
 5pm Claire Reay;
Julie Martin.
 9am Mateusz Dabrosz;
Jocelyn Gallen.
 11am John Teeling;
Anne Malize.

 30th Sep/1st Oct
 5pm Caroline Ward;
Pat Timmons.
 9am Seamus Brannigan;
Franklin Darko.
 11am John Teeling;
Maria Bloodworth.

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is close to all who call him.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Blessings on the King who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heavens!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Financial Matters

	Corpus Christi	St Anne's
First Collection		
Gift-Aided (+SOs)	£517.51	£166.27
Non Gift-Aided	<u>£162.56</u>	<u>£73.92</u>
Total	£680.07	£240.19

Second Collection		
Spiritans	£367.51	£226.21

Thank you!

"WHY BE ENVIOUS BECAUSE I AM GENEROUS?"

There's so much of our life we don't decide. Human freedom is about choosing how we play the cards we're dealt, not choosing which cards we have. We all have some good cards, we all have some bad ones. When we meet Jesus face to face when we die, our attitude to him will be shaped by our attitude to the cards we're dealt - his response to us will be more about what we've done with them. Ultimately, we find peace when we accept the hand God gave us - when we are able to see all the amazing blessings of life - including Christ and life itself. That helps us to trust that his commands are good for us, and that what happens to us is allowed because of the opportunity for growth it gives us. When we accept all this, life changes, and we don't do good because we should, we are good, because we genuinely want to be - it makes us happier. So who gets the better deal in the parable - the ones who work for the landowner all day, or the ones who dossed all day but got paid the same? If we think keeping God's commands is a burden, and working for him a slog, then we will side with the latecomers. If we realise that doing good, keeping the commandments and following Christ are rewards in themselves, then we'd rather be the early birds. You will never be given full understanding of God's treatment of others - that's between them and him. Focus on your life, and the privilege of cooperating with God today, and the rest will look after itself.

Dear Parishioners,

Thanks for your generosity to the Spiritans last weekend. Raphael really enjoyed his time with us. Do pray for him throughout his remaining 4 years of training for priesthood. This weekend our collection is for Fr Hudson's - our diocesan charity - the one after for Home Missions, and the one after for CAFOD. That's a lot of looking outwards, but that is almost the definition of a Christian - one who prays and gives for others more than for themselves. Sometime soon we need to meet and see if we can resurrect our practical reaching out to others as a parish. Connected with this, will all **Missio red box** holders please bring them in over the next two weekends please?

Parish Finances We'll also have to have a think about our own finances. Time are hard for many of us, but, just when I'm wanting us to spend wisely, our collections have gone down quite a lot. If you can't afford more for the missions, and for our parish, absolutely fine, but if you can, please think about it. We are called to give so that it costs us, not just from our excess.

Corpus Christi opening for prayer From Sun 1st Oct, we are going to try and keep Corpus Christi open for prayer from 7.30am - 4.30pm daily. This week we're having an extra camera fitted into CC church. This and alarming the sanctuary will protect the church as much as possible, physically. We also need to put the church building firmly under St Michael's protection - it's his feast day on Friday, perhaps make a special effort to come to Mass or adoration at St Anne's for that intention. And of course, we need to use the church for prayer - this is the best use of the church, and keeps it safe too. Could you manage half hour a week?

30 Days to Morning Glory We're looking at a shared **Journey in Faith** course with Sacred Heart, this year. I'll talk to Fr Tony more this week, and let you know. In the meantime, I'm also inviting you to come on a short course that will deepen your relationship with Mary, called **33 Days to Morning Glory**. We'll meet 6 times, on Wednesdays at 6pm, starting 1st Nov at Corpus Christi, and/or Fridays 10am at St Anne's, starting 3rd Nov. It finishes with an act of consecration, which we will do on Friday 8th December, the Immaculate Conception, at Mass and/or adoration. If we get 12 or more sign up for either session, I'll run it. Mary is the simplest way to Jesus, and this offers a simple way to deepen our relationship with her.

Confirmation, First Confession and First Holy Communion

For all our sacramental preparation for our children, our sessions will be at 6pm on Thursdays. Parents are committing themselves and their child to come to Sunday Mass and all sessions, if they sign up. **Confirmation** Sessions will start Thursday 9th November, 6-7.10pm at St Anne's Church. Confirmation Mass is at St Anne's, 7pm, Friday 26th Jan, 2024, for all children in the parish. Enrolment forms available next week. **First Confession** Sessions start Thursday 25th January, 6-7pm, at Corpus Christi, First Confessions are at 6pm, at Corpus Christi, Thursday 14th March, for all children. **First Holy Communion** Sessions start Thursday 11th April, 6-7pm, at Corpus Christi. First Holy Communion Masses are 10am at Corpus Christi and 12 noon at St Anne's, on Sat 1st June, 2024. Please note, this is the feast of Corpus Christi - our traditional date for First Holy Communion - but with Easter being early this year, it is also the last weekend of the spring half term - so please book any holiday accordingly!

ST THOMAS MORE Church are holding a **Quarant'ore**: a 40 Hour Eucharistic Adoration Festival from Thursday 5th – Sunday 8th October. During the Forty Hours of Exposition all are welcome to come and spend time before the Lord. For more information and the times for each day, please see the poster at the back of church.

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

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

God's Gardeners We have some lovely grounds at our churches, and many hands make light work, so Christoph has offered to coordinate a parish group of people interested in doing a little bit of creative parish gardening. Interested? Please text the parish phone 07912 643626, offering your help - or just let me know. Thank you!

Coventry Irish Society starting an Irish **'Betty Hunter Dementia Support Group'** from Thurs 12th Oct 12-3pm. A light lunch, music and games are provided. Contact Nikita on 02476256629 or nikitasmithirishsoc@gmail.com

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.