



Parish of Corpus Christi-St. Peter, St. Justus



Corpus Christi

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ONE PARISH

ONE FAMILY

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Thank You-The Gospel for this Sunday describes the intimate union that must exist between Jesus and his followers, under the image of the vine and its branches. The image of a vine or the vineyard to represent the chosen people of God was often used in the Old Testament. Israel was pictured as the vineyard of the Lord and the Jews as the branches of God's vine. Now Jesus says, 'I am the vine and you are the branches'; that he and his followers will form the new chosen people. Our faith in Jesus forms us as one family, and we are all united. Therefore wherever we are, we are connected through Christ. These words of assurance make sense to us as this weekend brings an end to my ministry in our Parish as your parish priest. Following my appointment to Bromley Parish, I take this weekend to thank you ALL sincerely for your collaborative ministry, especially those who are involved in the areas of administration, catechesis, formation, pastoral life etc. I thank God for the privilege to serve our parish for nearly three years. The teams involved in administrative areas of the Parish were of immense help, allowing me more time for spiritual and pastoral matters in the parish. It was a great joy to work along with the dedicated teams for Catechesis and Formation in the parish as they play a significant role in preparing our young people, the future church. I am also very grateful to all who joined me in ministering the sick and housebound. It was visible to me that you have a sense of belonging to the parish with shared ownership in serving our Parish. I am aware that words will not be sufficient to express what is in my heart for you, as I was happy and found meaning and enrichment in my life and ministry with you. I thank you all for all that you have done to support me and my ministry. We are very lucky to have Fr. Jake who will immediately succeed me to look after the Parish. I will keep you in my prayer and ask that you hold me kindly in your prayerful thoughts. **THANK YOU.** Fr. Saju

MASS AND INTENTIONS 28th April 2024			WEEKLY IN THE PARISH
SATURDAY 27 th Apr	6.00pm	Brian Wilkins RIP (Ann & Gerard Jones)	
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER			
SUNDAY 28 th Apr	8.30am	St Justus: Vera & Philip Weston RIP (Barry Weston) Baptism of Elena & Lucia Little	
	10.00am	Brian Wilkins RIP	
	12noon	St. Peter: For the People of the Parish	
SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA, VIRGIN AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH, PATRON OF EUROPE			
MONDAY 29 th Apr	10.00am	Alan Jarek RIP (the Jarek family)	
TUESDAY 30 th Apr	10.00am	St Justus: Susan Crowley RIP (Barry Weston)	
WED 1 st May		<i>Priest will offer Mass privately</i>	
THURSDAY 2 nd May	10.00am	Matthew Cole RIP (Frances Hirst)	
SAINTS PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES			
FRIDAY 3 rd May	10.00am	Simon Boardman RIP (Monica Boardman)	
THE ENGLISH MARTYRS (Morning Mass)			
SATURDAY 4 th May	10.00am	Edith Campbell RIP (Frances Hirst)	
	6.00pm	Welfare Jan Harman	
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER			
SUNDAY 5 th May	8.30am	St Justus: Vera & Philip Weston RIP (Barry Weston)	
	10.00am	For the People of the Parish	
	12noon	St Peter: Fr William Donogue	

WEEKLY IN THE PARISH

MORNING PRAYER
CORPUS CHRISTI-
MON AT 9.40 AM

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION
AT CORPUS CHRISTI
TUE 6.30 PM - 7.00 PM.

ADORATION
AT CORPUS CHRISTI
THURSDAYS AFTER
10.30AM - 10PM

ROSARY
AT CORPUS CHRISTI 9.30 AM
ON THUR, FRI & SAT

CHERUBS
IN THE HALL BEFORE
10AM MASS ON SUNDAY

FIRST SATURDAYS DEVOTION AT
9.30AM

HOLY FACE DEVOTION AT
10.30AM SATS AND 1ST
TUES AT ST. JUSTUS'

St. Margaret Clitherow Primary School, Trench Road, Tonbridge Tel. 01732 358000 Principal: Mrs. Fiona Oubridge

St. Gregory's Catholic School, Reynolds Lane, Tunbridge Wells. Tel. 01892 527444 Headteacher: Mr Mike Wilson

Hall Bookings: Please contact the parish office during office hours 01732 353984 or by email. Not in the evenings or week-ends

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

YOUTH GROUP-Are you in year 7-13 and would like to come and join us for pizza, fun and games? We would love to see you at our meeting in Fisher Hall -Ruth and Sirja

'THE LIFEBOAT' (PARISH BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP)
Next meeting **Saturday 27th April** at 11.30am in St Peter, Hadlow. This informal, friendly group is here for all those who have been bereaved, whether recently or years ago. Please ring Isabelle 07873953423 or Sheila 07840 489204 for further information.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS (Group 1) SATURDAY 1st June 12noon. (Group 2) SATURDAY 8th June 12noon.

MASS OF CONFIRMATION SATURDAY 22nd June 12noon

Bishop Paul Hendricks to preside.

BAPTISM: Please speak to Father after Mass to join the prep session. The next one is Saturday 25th May at 11.15am in the hall. **Congratulaions to Elena & Lucia Little who are being baptized this weekend and to their parents and Godparents.**

CONFESSION: Sat 10.30am – 11.00am 5pm-5.45 pm at CC; St Justus-after Tuesday morning mass

CONFIRMATION 2024

tonbridgeconfirmation@rcaos.org.uk

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Emailtonbridgecatechist@rcaos.org.uk

FAMILY SUNDAYS - Every 1st Sunday of the month, families are invited to the Fisher Hall after 10am Mass for a fun, faith-filled, craft activity along with biscuits and a cuppa.

MUMS/DADS NIGHTS- Taking time to feed our own faith by exploring an aspect of Christianity with other parents in the parish. We meet in someone's home, watch some input to get us thinking and chat over pizza and drinks. All are very welcome. Contact Isabel (07851062232) or Nick (07851609097) if you'd like to know any more, or talk to anyone already involved after church.

PADDOCK WOOD FOOD BANK are requesting food items. Waitrose & Tesco gift cards are very acceptable & online bank transfers: Community Storehouse Sort code: 40-36-35ACC no: 11298410 Ref: St Justus member.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL(SVP) We would appreciate your continued assistance especially with any food suitable for babies and young children. Many thanks from all at SVP.

AN URGENT APPEAL FROM CAFOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF T SUDAN . There is a massive humanitarian crisis over 8 million have fled their homes to escape violence. More than 25 million need immediate emergency help. Fears of famine are growing. CAFOD are asking for urgent help to get humanitarian aid to the people of Sudan. Their planting season starts in June so they have only a short window to get emergency help to the people. CAFOD have requested parishes to have a collection for

PARISH FINANCE:

Thank you for your continued generosity, which the parish depends on for sustainable financial health. Those eligible for Gift Aid, please do sign up for that. A QR code is available in each narthex on the notice boards for an easy electronic sign-up. Offertories and Gift aid payments can also be made on the **Card Machines** in Corpus Christi. Bank Transfers details are below, please follow the next step:**Mass Stipends:** Quote ST; **Offertories:** Quote OFF;**Malawi Twin Quote** MT

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Can I remind parishioners that cheques for the parish need to be made out to 'RCAS Tonbridge'- Many thanks. Ken

PARISH NOTICES

THIS WEEKEND there is a second collection for the Maintenance of St George's Cathedral, the mother church of the diocese. This collection helps meet the cost of the upkeep of the cathedral.

NEXT WEEKEND Second collection for CAFOD Sudan emergency appeal.

CORPUS CHRISTI SOCIAL GROUP - The next meeting is on Tuesday, 30th April at 10.00am for coffee/tea, biscuits & chat in Fisher Hall. This is followed by a presentation from Hearing Dogs for Deaf People. All welcome.

PARISH COUNCIL AGM is confirmed to take place on May 13th in Fisher Hall at 7.30pm. The Agenda and Nomination forms for the various societies are in the narthex of all three churches from this weekend onwards. Ken Marsh (Secretary)

FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS DEVOTION will be starting again on 4th May at 9.30am at Corpus Christi before 10am Mass. This will comprise the recitation of the rosary plus a few extra prayers as before. After Mass we will have the Holy Face Devotion as usual, but there will be an opportunity for confession and private prayer from 10.30 - 11am.

ITEMS NEEDED for the next Table-Top sale in St Justus Church Hall. Anything that is saleable! Please contact John Murphy for collection 01892 836854.

ST JUSTUS: Frank & Chrissie Little invite you to join them for refreshments in the church hall after Sunday 8.30am Mass to celebrate the baptisms of their daughters.

CAFOD cont'd for emergency help which will be next weekend 4th/5th May. You can also donate via their website. Thank you.

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK&HOUSEBOUND OF THE PARISH: Bob King, Ewart Beardshaw,Michael Francis, James Feeley, Nicky Byrne, Richard Perry,RonnieBrown,MaryGirdlestone, Nigel Green, CarolMappley, Martyn Bowmanand, John & Mary McNulty, Frank Moffatt and Brian Bayross .**HOLY SOULS:** Please remember in your prayers, those who have diedand those whose anniversaries occur at this time Cella Chapman, Alice Macdonald, Isabella Thomas, Julie Dearing, Henry Cooper, Denis Woodgate, Simon Boardman, Iris Kerrigan, Norman Brinson and Pat Czerniawsky,may they rest in peace. Amen.