



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



## Corpus Christi

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TN9 1EY

## St. Justus

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ONE PARISH

ONE FAMILY

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## God's healing

The Gospel for this fourth Sunday of the year follows what we were reading last Sunday: Jesus is in Nazareth, his hometown, and he preaches in the synagogue. Early in his public life, Jesus went through Galilee, spoke in many towns and villages, and received a wonderful reception. However, after his appearance in the synagogue in Nazareth, Jesus faces the displeasure of the people. Now Nazareth was where he grew up and where Mary conceived him, because the Annunciation took place in Nazareth where Mary and Joseph lived. In response to his townsmen's scepticism, Jesus referred to the Biblical stories of how God blessed two Gentiles, while rejecting the chosen people in similar situations; the Gentile widow of Zarephath, a village on the coast of present-day Lebanon, near Sidon (1Kings 17:7-24) and Naaman, the Syrian Military General (2Kgs 7:3-10). The reason for this was that these Gentiles were more open to the prophets than Israel. We reject God and Good News when we fail to honour Sunday and gather as a family to celebrate His life at Holy Mass which is a significant source of spiritual life in the community.

The story of Jesus' rejection in his own hometown is a story that we can identify with, because it is a story that has happened to most of us. Perhaps we have experienced the pain of rejection, betrayal, abandonment, violated trust, neglect etc. Perhaps we ourselves are guilty of such rejection. This weekend let us bring at the Altar our hurts and pains for healing so that the Holy Spirit will fill us with peace and joy. **Fr. Saju**

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2022		
FOURTH SUNDAY (C) ORDINARY TIME		
SATURDAY 29th Jan	6.00pm	Liz Dawson RIP (Margaret Peachey) & Memorial Mass for Fr. Dennis
SUNDAY 30th Jan	8.30am	<b>St Justus:</b> Mary & Joe Harvey RIP (Marie Marriott)
	10.00am	For the People of the Parish
	12noon	<b>St Peter:</b> Eileen & Denis Harrington RIP (Isabelle Parsons)
	6.00pm	NO MASS (Transferred to 12noon St Peter's)
St John Bosco		
MONDAY 31st Jan	10.00am	Liz Dawson RIP (Monica & John Boardman)
TUESDAY 1st Feb	10.00am	<b>St. Justus:</b> Douglas & Peggy Marriott RIP (Marie Marriott)
Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas)		
WEDNESDAY 2nd Feb	10.00am	Tony Hawes RIP (Marie Marriott)
St Laurence of Canterbury St Blaise		
THURSDAY 3rd Feb	10.00am	God's Blessings on Andi Senior & family (Charles & Lis Nicholls)
	12noon	<b>St Justus:</b> Requiem Mass Sean Feely
FRIDAY 4th Feb	10.00am	Marjory Sheldon RIP (Sheldon family)
St Agatha		
SATURDAY 5th Feb	10.00am	Ruth Scully RIP
	6.00pm	God's Blessings on the Mahoney family (Charles & Lisa Nicholls)
FIFTH SUNDAY (C) ORDINARY TIME		
SUNDAY 6th Feb	8.30am	<b>St Justus:</b> Philip Weston RIP (Barry Weston)
	10.00am	Eric David Thorpe RIP (Angela Thorpe)
	12noon	<b>St Peter:</b> or the People of the Parish

**REQUIEM MASS** for Bruno Raimondi is on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February at 1pm

**FISHER HALL BOOKINGS** Please call the parish office 01732 353984 during office hours. No evening or weekend calls, thank you.

St. Margaret Clitherow Primary School, Trench Road, Tonbridge Tel. 01732 358000 Principal: Mrs Caroline Ryan.  
St. Gregory's Catholic School, Reynolds Lane, Tunbridge Wells. Tel. 01892 527444 Principal: Mr Sean McQuillan

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Parish website is updated: Please visit [corpuschristi-tonbridge.com](http://corpuschristi-tonbridge.com) and sign in for the Parish Newsletter to receive in future into your email weekly. The report of the parish level discussion on *Syond on Synodality* is available on our website.

Southwark Archdiocese **Catholic Renewal**—Day of Healing 2022: It will take place on **Saturday 19 February**, 10.00 am—5.00 pm, at St George's Cathedral, Westminster Bridge Road, Southwark SE1 7HY. Visit [Southwark-archdiocese-catholic-renewal-day-of-healing](http://Southwark-archdiocese-catholic-renewal-day-of-healing) to register for this Day of Healing and for more information.

**CORPUS CHRISTI MUMS NIGHT OUT: February 24th**, 8pm at Fuggles. All mums welcome. Anna-07782413258

**YOUTH** is starting on Saturday the **5th of March** in Fisher Hall at 7pm. It shall run fortnightly from 7-8pm (after the Sunday vigil Mass). Years 7 – 11 are welcome. There will be pizza! We are very fortunate to have such an experienced team and very much welcome others who are interested in serving in this ministry (including sixth-former helpers). Any questions? Ask James Shaghghi 07860356157

**Meeting of Special Ministers & Readers: Monday 21st March** from 7.30 pm – 8.30 pm led by Hannah Vaughan-Spruce in the Fisher Hall. This meeting will help us to reflect on this ministry and then to organise it as we are allowed to visit the sick/housebound.

#### **SACRAMENTS: Confession at Corpus Christi:**

Saturdays- 10.30am-11.00am and 5.00pm-5.45pm

**St Justus**-Tuesdays after Mass.

**BAPTISM:** Please speak to Fr Saju after Mass.

**Next First Holy Communion session:** Group 2 – Tue 1<sup>st</sup> Feb at 5 pm in the Fisher Hall.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENT'S MEETINGS** are now on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 8pm and Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 8pm in the [church](#). The changes had to be made as the Catechists take the Confirmation classes on a Monday evening.

**Email:** [tonbridgecatechist@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:tonbridgecatechist@rcaos.org.uk)

**Next Confirmation session:** on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> January at St Peter's Chapel, Maidstone Road, Hadlow, TN11 OHR.

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**RCIA:** A Journey in faith with the catechists is planned to start in the New Year for anyone wishing to understand more about the teaching of the RC church and to become catholic. Please contact David Burford on [tonbridgercia@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:tonbridgercia@rcaos.org.uk) for more information and to add your name to those who have already expressed an interest.

**Adoration**-All day on Thursdays after 10.00am Mass until 10pm.

**FINANCE:** Please continue with donations to Stipends and Offertories which are definitely needed! Many of you use internet or telephone banking so I will give our bank details below but please follow the next step: Stipends: Quote ST. Offertories: Quote OFF. Malawi Twin Quote MT: CHR for Christmas Offerings, in all of these cases you do not need to refer to Gift Aid as I know who you all are:

**Account: RCAS CORPUS CHRISTI TONBRIDGE**

**Sort Code: 60-21-28 Account No: 71367780**

Please contact - **Ken Marsh** 01892 527270

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### PARISH NOTICES

**THIS WEEKEND** -Bishop Paul Hendricks will celebrate Holy Mass at 10 am on Sunday; Warm welcome to Bishop Paul

**LITURGY: Cherubs-** our Children's Liturgy group runs every Sunday at the 10.00am family Mass at Corpus Christi. All children from pre-school age to Year 3 are welcome to join us in the Hall.

**SVP CORPUS CHRISTI** had such a good response for their Christmas appeal that they are going to continue with non-perishable food items, no clothes, please. Items can be left in the boxes in the Narthex. If you would rather give a donation, which would be gratefully received to buy items, then please put your donation in the wall box marked SVP.

**CORPUS CHRISTI REPOSITORY** has a varied selection of lovely statues, rosaries, cards and other items ideal for gifts and reasonably priced. Also, there are some books to purchase which offer a wide selection of spiritual reading. Please put money in the repository box.

**STAY&PLAY** - For all families with young children. Coffee, chat, play. Wednesdays 10-11.30am Fisher Hall. £1 per family.

**COMMUNITY STOREHOUSE PADDOCK WOOD** are in need of these items Milk (UHT or powdered), Sugar, Tea bags, Instant coffee, Soup, Pasta, Rice, Pasta sauces.

[www.communitystorehouse.co.uk](http://www.communitystorehouse.co.uk). Community Storehouse, HSBC Bank Sort code: 40-36-35 Acc No: 11298410 Ref: St Justus member. Monetary donations in the form of supermarket (Waitrose / Tesco) gift vouchers are welcome. Please contact Joan & Liz. Joan 01892 838495; Liz 07981 989243.

**BOOT SALE FOR CHURCH FUNDS** In St Justus Hall. Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March. Good quality items urgently needed, clothes, shoes & bric-a-brac for church stalls. Please call Joan 01892 838495 to book a table. John Murphy to collect items 01892 83 6854

#### **COVID-19 OMICRON VARIANT - GUIDANCE FOR CHURCHES**

Please stay at home if showing any symptoms of covid19 - Advisable to wear a face covering (both nose and mouth) during act of worship. Also whilst singing, if possible to do so. There is no need for formal social distancing in church buildings, although those present should be sensitive to the needs of others.

- Sanitise hands on entrance and exit from church. But readers now do not have to sanitise their hands at the lectern.

**LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND OF THE PARISH:** Bob King, Ewart Beardshaw, Michael Francis, James Feeley, Nicky Byrne, Carlene & Jim Ford, Teresa Thomas, Ronnie Brown Gloria Goringe, Mary Girdlestone, John Seeley and Doris Jones. Please remember also all those suffering with the Covid-19 Virus and its after effects and for those who care for them. **HOLY SOULS:** Please remember in your prayers, those who have died, may they rest in peace. Amen. Also, for those whose anniversaries that occur at this time Anneliese Pease, Teresa Kelly, Reginald Farquharson, Philipp Harris, Sally Jones, and Yeala Busk