

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

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Motherhood of Mary: On the first day of the year, the Church celebrates the solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. The mystery of her divine motherhood that we celebrate today bears the gift of grace that all human motherhood bears within it, so much so that the fruitfulness of the womb has always been associated with God's blessing. Mary is the woman who received Jesus into herself and brought him forth for the whole human family. Mary is the mother and model of the Church, who receives the divine Word in faith and offers herself to God as the abode in which God continues the mystery of salvation in the incarnation of Jesus Christ. The Church also participates in the mystery of divine motherhood, through preaching which sows the seed of the Gospel throughout the world, and through the sacraments which communicate grace and divine life to the faithful. The Church exercises her motherhood especially in the sacrament of Baptism as she generates God's children by water and the Holy Spirit to live the life of Christ in the world.

I invite all the parents who celebrated baptism of their child/children in 2022 to the liturgy of thanks giving on Saturday, the 7th of January 2023. After the service in the church, the parents with their child/children will gather in the fisher hall to meet with others who were with them in a similar journey last year. This will be a time of grace and blessing as we read in the first reading of this Sunday. "The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace" (Num 6:24-26). I wish all parishioners and readers a happy and grace filled New Year- Fr Saju

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS 31st December 2022		
MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD		
SATURDAY 31st Dec	600pm	Wellbeing of Colin & Jan (Colin O'Hara)
SUNDAY 1 st Jan	8.30am	St Justus: Thomas Isard RIP (Pat Hook)
	10.00am	Redmond John Dill RIP (Sheila & Stephanie)
	12noon	St. Peter: For the People of the Parish
MONDAY 2 nd Jan	10.00am	Blanche Mascarenhas RIP (Christina Carr)
TUESDAY 3 rd Jan	10.00am	St Justus: Curtis Family Living & Dead Christian Meditation (6.30 pm -7.00 pm)
WEDNESDAY 4 th Jan		Priest will offer Mass privately
THURSDAY 5 th Jan	10.00am	Marjory Sheldon RIP (Susan Sheldon) Adoration 10.30am – 10.00pm
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD		
FRIDAY 6 th Jan	10.00am 12noon 8.00pm	At St Margaret Clitherow School St Justus: Vera & Philip Weston RIP (Barry Weston) Welfare of Baby Pierre Cotteret (Grand nephew) (Pierre &FrédèriqueCotteret)
SATURDAY 7 th Jan	10.00am 12noon	Welfare of Brian Wilkins (Pierre &FrédèriqueCotteret) Baptism Service of Thanksgiving
6.00pm Deceased members of the Bayross Family (Brian Bayross BAPTISM OF THE LORD		
SUNDAY8 th Jan	8.30am 10.00am 12noon	St Justus: For the People of the Parish Felix & Mildred Perera RIP (PryankaPerera) St Peter: God's blessing on Nicholas Shaw (Jacqui Shaw)

St. Margaret Clitherow Primary School, Trench Road, Tonbridge Tel. 01732 35800Principal: MrsFionaOubridge St. Gregory's Catholic School, Reynolds Lane, Tunbridge Wells. Tel. 01892 527444 Principal: Mr Phil Byrne Parish Hall Booking- 01732 353984

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

YOUTHClubwillbeonSat 7th January 2023at7pm in the Fisher Hall, Years 7 – 11. All

arewelcome. tonbridgeyouth@rcaos.org.uk

World Youth Day: 1st - 6th August 2023, Portugal

Next summer will see another international meeting of young Catholics from around the world, who will make a pilgrimage to gather with the Pope in Portugal. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know other young Catholics, to see the universality of the Church and to grow in faith. If you are 18 - 30 years old and would be interested in being part of a group travelling from this area please contact Fr. Peter Littleton

(peterlittleton@rcaos.org.uk) for more information.

BAPTISM SERVICE OF THANKSGIVINGon Saturday 7th January 12noon in Corpus Christi for the families who have celebrated Baptism in 2022. Followed by refreshments in the Fisher Hall. This will help you to meet with the families who journeyed with you for the preparation of the sacrament.

SACRAMENTS: Confessions -Corpus Christi: Saturdays-10.30am-11.00am and 5.00pm-5.45pm. St Justus: Tuesdays after Mass.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION classesresume on Tuesday 10th January

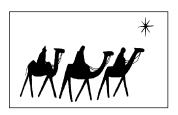
ADORATION All day on Thursdays after 10.00am Mass until 10pm: Anne - 01732 773531.

ROSARY: Fridays 9.30am and Saturdays 9.30am at Corpus Christi followed by Mass.

HOLY FACE DEVOTION - Prayers of Reparation for sins of Blasphemy. Saturdays at 10.30am at Corpus Christi and also 1st Tuesdays of the month at St. Justus at 10.30am. For more information please email: jacquimshaw@yahoo.co.uk

CHERUBS Our children's liturgy, runs during the 10am Mass every Sunday. All children from pre-school until Holy Communion are welcome to join us in the Fisher Hall for songs, activities and prayer: Contact- Emily (07934086526).

FAITH IN THE FAMILY-January meeting on Sunday 8th. For families who will be journeying together in faith over the year. Those families meet in the Fisher Hall after 10am Mass on the first Sunday of every month.



PARISH FINANCE: Your donations are needed and greatly appreciated. Thank you for your support. Many of you use internet or telephone banking so our bank details are below but please follow the next step: Mass Stipends: Quote ST. Offertories: Quote OFF. Christmas Offering: Quote CHRS. Malawi Twin Quote MT; in all of these cases you do not need to refer to Gift Aidas I know who you all are:

Account:RCASTonbridge Sort Code: 60-21-28; Account No: 71367780

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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

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP: Next meeting is on Tuesday 17th January. They meet on the third Tuesday of the month 10,30am-12noon in the Fisher Hall. This informal, friendly group is here for all those who have been bereaved, whether recently or years ago. Do come along for support and friendship. For more information, please ring Isabelle (07873 953423) or Sheila (07840 489204).

NB I have received four old gift aid envelopes, not for the current year, in the Christmas offerings. Regretfully these cannot be gift aided for fear of choosing the wrong person. Please can I repeat my request to destroy old Gift Aid envelops as very often numbers change annually. Ken

UNIFORMED GROUPS CHURCH PARADE Sunday 29th January 10.00am Mass.

2023 MALAWI CONTAINER- I have one volunteer to help manage, administrate & oversee next year's Malawi container, I need at least one more volunteer. If interested then please contact me 07714-012915 Brian.

A BIG THANK YOU to all those who worked so hard to make our churches look so beautiful for Christmas. Also, to our Welcomers and Collectors who are on 'duty' every week-end throughout the year. Your help is invaluable to the Parish!

Please note: The Parish Office re-opens Tuesday 3rd January 2.30pm.



LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK&HOUSEBOUND OF THE PARISH: Danny Henry, Bob King, Ewart Beardshaw, Michael Francis, James Feeley, Nicky Byrne, Jim Ford, Ronnie Brown, Mary Girdlestone, John Seeley, Brian Wilkins and Stella. **HOLY SOULS**: Please remember in your prayers, those who have died, especially Marguerite Simo, may they rest in peace.

Amen. Also, for those whose anniversaries fall at this time Polly Perkins, Christine Challis, Eileen Rogers, Redmond Dill, John Feely and Carlene Ford.