



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



Corpus Christi

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St. Justus

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ONE PARISH

ONE FAMILY

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Christian Choice: The Sunday Scripture readings of this week challenge us to make right choices. In the first reading (1Sam 26) we see how David made the right choice, respecting God’s anointed king by forgiving his offences, while Saul continued to make the wrong choices, perpetuating his own misery in seeking his revenge. In the second reading (1Cor 15:45-49) St. Paul admonishes that Christians are expected to go beyond our earthly, natural desire to seek revenge and retaliation; instead, when we are injured, we are to choose the Christian response of forgiveness and mercy. At every Mass we pray the “Our Father,” asking God to forgive us as we forgive others. Forgiveness in the Gospel always implies reconciliation which involves bringing people together again and the healing of wounds and leading the wrongdoer into conversion. The verse, “to the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too,” (Luke 6:27-38) makes sense when forgiveness becomes passion to restore justice, dignity, and right relationships in a non-violent way between people. “Non-violence,” said M.K. Gandhi, “cannot be taught to a person who fears to die and has no power of resistance.” At the same time, it always entails “speaking the truth in love”, seeking to heal, to save, to make whole but never to hurt or destroy. Our challenge in our everyday life is to overcome our natural inclination to hate or to be indifferent. To meet these challenges we need to ask God for the grace to forgive each other. Fr. Saju.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS 19 th February 2022		
SEVENTHSUNDAY (C) ORDINARY TIME		
SATURDAY 19 th Feb	6.00pm	John, Martin & deceased members of the Maare family (Margaret Constable)
SUNDAY 20 th Feb	8.30am	St Justus: Vera Weston RIP (Barry Weston)
	10.00am	Roy Moon RIP (Brenda Moon)
	12noon	St Peter: For the People of the Parish
	6.00pm	NO MASS (Transferred to 12noon St Peter’s)
St Robert Southwell – Priest and Martyr		
MONDAY 21 st Feb	10.00am	Hogan family members (Jane Garrigan)
The Chair of St Peter the Apostle		
TUESDAY 22 nd Feb	10.00am	St. Justus: Fr Denis RIP (Tina Kirk)
St Polycarp – Bishop and Martyr		
WEDNESDAY 23 rd Feb	10.00am	<i>Priest will offer Mass privately</i> Miss F M J Hone
THURSDAY 24 th Feb	10.00am	Sam Burford RIP (David Burford)
St Ethelbert - King		
FRIDAY 25 th Feb	10.00am	Patricia Fleming RIP (Elizabeth Johnston)
SATURDAY 26 th Feb	10.00am	Mary Fleming RIP (Jane Garrigan)
	6.00pm	God’s Blessings on Jimmy Durkan
EIGHTHSUNDAY (C) ORDINARY TIME		
SUNDAY 20 th Feb	8.30am	St Justus: Philip Weston RIP (Barry Weston)
	10.00am	Alice Martin (Watson Family)
	12noon	St Peter: For the People of the Parish

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

REQUIEM MASS for Carlene Ford is at St Justus on Tuesday 15th March at 12noon.

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

Please visit corpuschristi-tonbridge.com and sign in for the Parish Newsletter to receive in future into your inbox weekly.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING -on Tuesday 22nd February at 7.30pm in the Fisher Hall.

A RETREAT FOR LENT: Make some space to develop our relationship with God this Lent. Sign up for our Diocesan 'retreat at home' called Saving Grace. Every week you will receive an email with links to a 25 minute video in which our Archbishop John will introduce the theme and the reading, Chris Chapman will deliver the retreat, with others contributing. You will also receive materials to use in your own prayer and reflection. All you have to do is sign up and then set aside what space you can for Saving Grace! For more information visit:

<https://www.southwarkdsc.org.uk/savinggrace>

YOUTH is starting on Saturday the **5th of March** in Fisher Hall at 7pm. It shall run fortnightly from 7-8pm (after the Saturdayvigil Mass). Years 7 – 11 are welcome . 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. Congratulations to Cameron & Matty Hill who were baptized this weekend.

Next First Holy Communion session: Group 2 – Tue 22nd Feb at 5 pm in the Fisher Hall.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENT'S MEETINGS are now on Tuesday 15th March 8pm and Tuesday 17th 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

Next Confirmation session: on Monday 21st Feb at St Peter's Chapel, Maidstone Road, Hadlow, TN11 OHR.

Email: tonbridgecatechist@rcaos.org.uk Monday 27th meeting will be in the Fisher Hall.

RCIA: A Journey in faith will start on **11th March** from 7.30 pm to 8.30 pm in Corpus Christi . Please contact David Burford on tonbridgercia@rcaos.org.uk for more information.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP - starting weekly from Tuesday 8th March from 6.30pm - 7pm. Corpus Christi. All welcome to join our new contemplative group for weekly meditation as taught by our early Christian church. email: benedictbowmaker@gmail.com.

PARISH FINANCE:

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

Email: tonbridgegac@rcaos.org.uk

PARISH NOTICES

NEXTWEEKEND: CLERGY SUPPORT FUND- there is a second collection for the diocese Sick & retired Clergy Fund. Envelopes are available today for you to bring back next weekend. Gift-aiders please use the relevant envelope.

THIS WEEKEND we welcome the Uniform Groups of our Parish to the 10 Sunday Mass for a Church Parade. The Cubs will be holding a cake sale to raise money for Children with Cancer UK in the hall straight away after this.

SOCIAL CLUB MEETING - Tuesday 22nd February from 10 am –in the Fisher Hall. Everyone very welcome.

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

PARISH BINGO Next session is on Saturday 26th February at 7.30pm. All are welcome! Do come along for a fun evening!

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER (Tonbridge) for everyone is on Friday 4th March at 3.00pm in St John's church, Hildenborough. Car parking accessible at the rear of the church hall.

MASS IN HONOUR OF THE HOLY FACE OF JESUS will be on Shrove Tuesday 1st March at 10am at St. Justus, Paddock Wood. There will be a few prayer and information cards at the bac of the church. For more information <http://www.theholysface.com> <http://www.cenacle.co.uk>

SVP Tonbridge Please continue with your non perishable food donations. Boxes in Narthex. If you prefer you can make a donation, please put in wall box marked SVP.

SOUTHWARK MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE TEAM EVENT "Grief in Loss, Hope in Christ Retreat" - On Friday 18th – Sunday 20th March 2022 at Aylesford Priory. Mourning the loss of a loved one, trying to cope with feeling out of control, this retreat is a space away for you. To book and an opportunity to find out more please telephone Aylesford Priory on 01622 717272.

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.

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 other a wide selection of spiritual reading.

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK& HOUSEBOUND OF THE PARISH: Danny Henry, Bob King, Ewart Beardshaw, Michael Francis, James Feeley, Nicky Byrne, Jim Ford, Teresa Thomas, Ronnie Brown Gloria Gorringer, Mary Girdlestone and John Seeley. 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 Kathleen Brewer, Mildred West, Hasso von Bredow, Joseph Lorrington,, Catherine Singleton, Frances Bourne, Patrick Blake, William Wright, Peggy Levett and TrudeZehntner.