

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

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ONE PARISH

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Good Shepherd Sunday

This Sunday is known as Good Shepherd Sunday, and it is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious life. Each year on this Sunday, we reflect on the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd who devotedly and kindly takes care of his flock. In the Old Testament, the image of the Shepherd is often applied to God as well as to the leaders of the people. The Good Shepherd in the New Testament knows his flock: the shepherd knows his sheep, so Jesus knows each one of us, our needs, our merits and our faults. He loves us as we are, with all our limitations. **C.S. Lewis** said, "God whispers to us in our pleasures, He speaks to us in our consciences, and He shouts to us in our pain!"

The Good Shepherd gives life to us, his sheep, by receiving us into his sheepfold and giving us faith in Baptism, and by strengthening that faith in Confirmation. He supplies food for our souls in the Holy Eucharist and in the divine words of the holy Bible. He makes our society holy by the sacraments of matrimony and the priesthood. The good Shepherd, as in John's Gospel, goes in search of stray lambs and **heals the sick ones**. Jesus heals the wounds of our souls through the sacrament of Reconciliation and strengthens us with the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Similarly we are shepherds with duty of care. We become good shepherds by loving those entrusted to us, give example by our presence, give encouragement by our kindness, give support by our prayers. **Fr. Saju**

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS 7 th May 2022		
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER		
SATURDAY 7 th May	6.00pm	Welfare of Frank Brownhill (Margaret Brownhill)
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SUNDAY 8 th May	8.30am	St Justus: Vera & Philip Weston RIP (Barry Weston)
	10.00am	God's Blessings on Liam Collins
	12noon	St Peter: For the People of the Parish
MONDAY 9 th May	10.00am	Margaret Kerswill RIP (Anne Mahoney)
TUESDAY 10 th May	10.00am	St Justus: Carlene Ford RIP (Sheila Brown)
WEDNESDAY 11 May		Priest offers Mass privately Maurice & Philip Tabard
THURSDAY 12 th May	10.00am	Joan Lovell RIP (Anne Mahoney)Adoration 10.30am – 10.00pm
FRIDAY 13 th May	10.00am	Christina Figg RIP (Jeremiah O'Keefe)
SATURDAY 14 th May	10.00am	Bertile D'Souza RIP and for the welfare of her family (Almeida family)
	6.00pm	Alan Branch RIP (Maura Branch)
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER		
SUNDAY 15 th May	8.30am	St Justus: Celia O'Neill RIP (Dermot o'Neill)
	10.00am	For the People of the Parish
	12noon	St Peter: Yohannan Samuel RIP

HALL BOOKINGS 01732 353984 during office hours or email. tonbridge@rcaos.org.uk

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

St. Gregory's Catholic School, Reynolds Lane, Tunbridge Wells. Tel. 01892 527444 Principal: Mr Sean McQuillan

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

<u>YOUTH</u>: Next meeting 14th May - Fisher Hall at 7pm.Years 7 – 11 are welcome. James - 07860356157 tonbridgeyouth@rcaos.org.uk

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 Cillian Darnell, Amelia & Maya Cain who were baptised this weekend and to their family and Godparents.

Next First Holy Communionsession-Tuesday10thMay and **Confirmation session:** Monday 9th May at St Peter's, Hadlow. email: *tonbridgecatechist@rcaos.org.uk*

RCIA: Fridays at 7.30 pm in Lady's Chapel. Please contact David Burford on **tonbridgercia@rcaos.org.uk** for more information.

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

Rosary - Fridays 9.30am

Cherubs- 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.

Christian Meditation-weekly on Tuesdays from 6.30pm - 7pm @Corpus Christi. All welcome.

ROSARY at 9.30am, Mass at 10am, followed by the Holy Face Devotions at 10.30am on Saturdays (except 21st and 28th May) continuing from 4th June.

MASS IN CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE, July 9th at St George's Cathedral 3pmlf you are celebrating your 1st/10th/25th/40th/50th/60th + wedding anniversary this year, please apply as soon as possible, and no later than May 31. Get in touch with us at mflkent@rcaos.org.uk so you can receive an invitation from the Archbishop. As the title of your email, please write your parish location e.g. Maidstone. And give us the following details: your names in the format John and Mary Smith, your home address, the anniversary you are celebrating. We look forward to seeing you in July!

SYCAMORE GIFT COURSE FOR COUPLES MAY 2022 A new exciting free ONLINE course, for engaged and married couples. The course runs on Tuesday evenings from 8 - 9pm beginning 3rd May 2022 and continuing on May 10, 17 and 24th 2022. Registration link is available on parish website.

PLEASE NOTE: The parking space beside the Presbytery is not for parishioner parking. It is private parking for clergy and office. Parishioners, please use Hall car park.

POPE FRANCIS INTENTION FOR MAY

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

PARISH FINANCE: Sunday Offertories and rents for April £17,487. Expenditure £29,042. There were substantial church repairs this month. Your donations are needed and greatly appreciated. Thank you for your support. 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; Easter Offerings: Quote EST,in all of these cases you do not need to refer to Gift Aid as I know who you all are:

Account:RCAS Tonbridge

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

Please contact - Ken Marsh 01892 527270

Email: tonbridgegac@rcaos.org.uk

PARISH NOTICES:

THIS WEEKEND There is a second collection for the Priest Training Fund. This fund pays for the formation of men to become priests in our Archdiocese. It costs £30,000 a year to sponsor each seminarian, at the moment we have six in formation. There are envelopes available at the back of the church this weekend for you to bring back next weekend or if you prefer to give on the day.

PARISH COUNCIL AGM is on Tuesday 10th May at 7.30pm in the church.

CONGRATULATIONS to Imogen, Émilie and Violet who received their bronze St Stephen's Guild medals at the Annual Altar Servers' Rally at Aylesford Priory. They were joined by 7 other Altar Servers from St Peter's and Corpus Christi as well as more than 150 Altar Servers from our diocese.

CORPUS CHRISTI MUMS NIGHTThursday12th May at 8pm, at Wetherspoons. All mums welcome. Telephone Anna on 07782413258 for more info.

CEMETERY BLESSING for Graves, Memorial Garden and Plaques on 29th May at 12noon at Tonbridge Cemetery. Maura Branch will be at the back of the church today and weekends of 14th/15th& 21st/22nd May to take all your details.

INVITATION Fr Peter will be celebrating his 25th Ordination Anniversary. His parish will be celebrating his Anniversary with a Mass on Monday 27th June at 7.00pm in St. Joseph's Church, Plaistow Lane, Bromley BR1 2PR. This will be followed by refreshments in the church hall after the service. Fr Peter would like to warmly invite parishioners to attend his Anniversary Mass. If you would like to attend the Mass (own transport) and refreshments please email the parish office as they need to know numbers attending. bromley@rcaos.org.uk.

THANK YOU to James Shaghaghi who is leaving us this weekend. He has been a great help in the parish with Altar Servers & Youth Group. We wish you every success, & God's Blessings as you take up your new career.

ST JUSTUS After Mass today (Sunday) there will be refreshments in the hall and bacon rolls will be served!

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 Gorringe, Mary Girdlestone, John Seeley, Brian Wilkins, Ivan Leigh, Kenneth Brown and Carol Mapply.

HOLY SOULS: Please remember in your prayers, those who have died especially Pauline Pakenham, may they rest in peace. Amen. Also, for those whose anniversaries occur at this time John Maguire and Anne-marie Smith.