

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

# **Corpus Christi**

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### St. Justus

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# St.Peter

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**ONE FAMILY** 

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## **CHRISTIAN MEDITATION-AN ANCIENT WAY**

Meditation is a powerful discipline for integration and transformation. By turning inwards in silence and solitude we re-tune the whole of our fragmented being and moreover become aware of our link to ultimate reality. It works on three important integrally related levels: body, mind and spirit. The body/mind connection is clearly shown in the workings of the brain. The changes that are brought about in this way often require a real shift of perspective, which may well feel like a leap into the unknown. Courage and perseverance are needed, as the ego, the conscious aspect of our being, tries to resist the changes involved. The self, the unconscious matrix out of which the ego develops, however, helps us through intuitive insights.

Achievement is a term of the ego and has no place here. The transformation is due to grace, a spiritual gift. Not psychic side-effects but compassion is a sign that real growth has taken place.

If you're interested in exploring this ancient tradition in its full simplicity, join us **on Tuesday evenings 6.30pm at Corpus Christi.** For more information email: <a href="mailto:benedictbowmaker@gmail.com">benedictbowmaker@gmail.com</a>

# Stations of the Cross in Lent in the parish

Friday at 7.30 pm at Corpus Christi and Tuesday at 10 am in St Justus and Wednesday at 10 am at St. Peter's. The Children's Stations of the Cross –Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 5 pm. Parents are welcome.

		MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS 11 <sup>th</sup> March 2023
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (A)		
SATURDAY 11 <sup>th</sup> Mar	600pm	For the People of the Parish
SUNDAY 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	8.30am	St Justus: Lee Johnson RIP (Marie Marriott)
	10.00am	Peter Wells Special Intentions (Brian & Martina Wilkins)
	12noon	St. Peter: Marco McCabe RIP
MONDAY 13 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10.00am	Lily Martin RIP (Shyla Louis)
TUESDAY 14 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10.00am	St Justus: Josephine Kelly RIP
	10.30am	St Justus: Stations of the Cross
		Corpus Christi: Christian Meditation (6.30 pm -7.00 pm)
WEDNESDAY 15 <sup>th</sup> Mar		Priest offers Mass privately for Father James Walsh
	10.00am	St Peter: Stations of the Cross
THURSDAY 16 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10.00am	Eileen & John Swarbrick RIP (Dave Swarbrick)
		Adoration 10.30am – 10.00pm
SAINT PATRICK – Bishop, Patron of Ireland		
FRIDAY 17 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10.00am	Howard Murphy RIP (Hilary Murphy)
	7.30pm	Stations of the Cross
SATURDAY 18 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10.00am	Mary & Don Morgan RIP (Sean & Annie)
	6.00pm	Ernest Sharpe RIP (Georgina & Gordon Cuthbertson)
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT(A)		
SUNDAY 19 <sup>th</sup> Mar	8.30am	St Justus: Thomas & Margaret Isard RIP (Pat Hook)
	10.00am	For the People of the Parish
	12noon	St Peter: Joe & Anne Parsons RIP (Isabelle Parsons)
St. Margaret Clitherow Primary School, Trench Road, Tonbridge Tel. 01732 35800Principal: Mrs. Fiona Oubridge		

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#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

**YOUTHClub**: Meets on 19<sup>t</sup> March at7pm in the Fisher Hall, Years 7 – 11. All are welcome. On Sat 1 April we will be **Bowling at the Hollywood Bowl** In Tonbridge Wells:

Contact: tonbridgeyouth@rcaos.org.uk

Mon 20 March at 7.30 pm: Meetings of all those who are involved in faith formation and Catechesis (Parish Leads, Catechists, Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, welcomers and all those who would like to be part of these ministry in the parish.

RCIA: The first Scrutiny of the candidate

**GOOD FRIDAY** in Corpus Christi there will be praying around the empty cross 7.30pm-8.00pm.

SHROUD OF TURIN PRESENTATION Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March after the 10.00am Mass, coffee as usual then over the Fisher Hall. Pierre Cotteret will present a short Introduction to the Shroud of Turin, an "icon written with the blood of a whipped man, crowned with thorns, crucified and pierced on his right side." (Pope Benedict XVI) "

REQUIEM MASS FOR JOHN BOARDMAN IS ON TUESDAY 21st March at 12noon in Corpus Christi

## **SACRAMENTS**

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

**BAPTISM:** Parent's Baptism Preparation is on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 11.15am in the Fisher Hall. You cannot attend unless you have spoken to Fr Saju and contacted the Parish Office. Please do not arrange a baptism date until after you have attended the session and then checked with the parish office that the date you would like is available.

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

**Rosary:** At 9.30 am on Fri & Sat at Corpus Christi and 1<sup>st</sup> Tue of month at St. Justus. All are welcome.

**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.

**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** 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

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP:** Next meeting Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 10.30am. This informal, friendly group is here for all those who have been bereaved, whether recently or years ago. Please ring Isabelle 07873 953423 or Sheila 07840 489204 for further information.

During Lent Fr Saju would like to visit the sick/housebound who would like to have a visit/Sacraments. Please contact the Parish office to plan it.

PARISH FINANCE: February expenses Income £14,450 Expenditure £22,100. Your donations are needed and greatly appreciated. Thank you for your support. Many of you useinternet or telephone banking so our bank details are below but please follow the next step: Mass Stipends: Quote ST; Offertories: Quote OFF; Malawi Twin Quote MT; in all of these cases you do not need to refer to Gift Aid as we know who you all are:

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

Parish Finance chair:

Ken Marsh tonbridgegac@rcaos.org.uk 01892527270

Gift -aid: Tony Mahoney

tonbridgegac2@rcaos.org.uk - 01732 773531.

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

### **PARISH NOTICES**

**THIS WEEKEND** Brian Wilkins will be talking after all Masses regarding the launch of this year's container to Malawi.

Next Sunday at St Justus. Had to be rearranged because of road closures!

**NEXT WEEKEND** There is a second collection for Poor Parishes. This collection enables the Archbishop to make grants to some of the poorer parishes in the diocese.

**READERS& EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS ON ROTAS AT CORPUS CHRISTI** Holy Week & Easter sign up lists are now on a table in the Narthex. Please sign up if you are able to read/minister at any of the services as soon as you are able to commit. The lists have to prepared well in advance of Holy Week. Thank you.

**ALTAR SERVERS (Corpus Christi)** Please sign up on the list in the Sacristy for the services that you will be able to serve for Holy Week and Easter. **Altar Severs Easter social** is on Thursday 23 March, 5.30 pm -7.30 pm in the Fisher Hall.

**SALUT-Malawi** We will be holding our annual Mothering Sunday collection from 2pm on Sunday 26 March 2023 in the Fisher Hall. Please bring your donation of ladies underwear, bars of soap and money to buy reusable pads. For more information please email salutmalawi@gmail.com or call 07914771357. Jacqui Nunes will give an update at the 10.00am Mass on Sunday 19th March . A box for donations is in the narthex at Corpus Christi.

**REPOSITORY CORPUS CHRISTI** There is a good selection of books and booklets for Lenten reading available for sale. Please do browse. Please put money in 'Repository' box in wall

**IMPORTANT: SAFES IN SACRISTY IN CORPUS CHRISTI** We need to update our list of key holders for these safes. If you hold a key please let the Parish Office know as soon as possible. A note through the presbytery door will suffice with your name, contact number and which safe you have a key for ie the white or green one or both.

**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS** our Candidate who will go through the Scrutiny Rites at the 10.00am Mass over the next few Saturdays before being received into Full Communion with the Church at the Easter Vigil at Corpus Christi.

**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 and Brian Wilkins.

**HOLY SOULS**: Please remember in your prayers, those who have died especially Father John Hurley and Canon Michael Bunce, may they rest in peace. Amen. Also, for those whose anniversaries fall at this time Dorothy Giles, Hilary Hull, Mollie Murphy, David Bogie, Marie Norman, Penelope Flavin, Anne Viner and Marlis Pratt.