



# 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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## First Holy Communion

This year thirty one children from the Parish are prepared for their First Holy Communion. The celebration of this Sacrament will take place on Saturday of this weekend and next at Corpus Christi Church. I would like to congratulate these children for working hard with our committed and experienced Catechists for this special day. The parents of these children deserve special thanks as they remained always supportive to their children and the catechists. I am very grateful to our First Holy Communion Catechists who with their dedication and love prepared the children for their big day. The prayer friends and the parish family rendered their huge support through their prayers. We pray that the celebration of the First Holy Communion will help us all to renew our friendship with Jesus Christ.

The First Holy Communion celebration in the parish reminds us as St. John's Gospel presents to us, that the Eucharist is the bread of life which comes down from Heaven. This is primarily related to Jesus' incarnation, the Word made flesh and dwelling among us as God's personal revelation. The Eucharist thus is the sacrament and nourishment made available in the church for all who believe in Christ. In Paul and the Synoptic Gospels, the Eucharist is related to Christ's passion, death and resurrection, in which the church, the people of God is invited to join Christ in His redemptive acts. As we see our children taking the Eucharist for the first time in their life, let us become more aware of the imperative in celebrating and receiving the Eucharist regularly with these children amidst the parish community. Fr Saju

### MASS AND INTENTIONS 17th June 2023

#### ELEVENTH SUNDAY OT (A)

SATURDAY 17 <sup>th</sup> June	12 noon 6.00pm	For our First Holy Communion children Marion Peters RIP (Michael Farrelly)
SUNDAY 18 <sup>th</sup> June	8.30am	<b>St Justus:</b> Freda & David Thompson RIP (Barry Weston)
	10.00am	For the People of the Parish
	12noon	<b>St. Peter:</b> Julian Dobbin RIP (Isabelle Parsons)
MONDAY 19 <sup>th</sup> June	10.00am 12noon	Alice Bennett O'Dowd Funeral Service for Teresa Lawrence
TUESDAY 20 <sup>th</sup> June	10.00am	<b>St Justus:</b> Welfare of Maria Neves (Tina Kirk) <b>Corpus Christi: Christian Meditation (6.30 pm -7.00 pm)</b>
WEDNESDAY 21 <sup>st</sup>		<i>Mass will be celebrated privately for Roderick Feeney RIP</i>
<b>SAINTS JOHN FISHER, Bishop and THOMAS MOORE, MARTYRS</b>		
THURSDAY 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	10.00am	Redmond John Dill RIP (Sheila & Stephanie)
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	10.00am	Marguerite Simo RIP (Nguenkam family)
<b>Morning – THE NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST</b>		
SATURDAY 24 <sup>th</sup> June	12noon 6.00pm	For our First Holy Communion children Sharon Yarr RIP (Colin O'Hara)
<b>TWELFTH SUNDAY OT (A)</b>		
SUNDAY 25 <sup>th</sup> June	8.30am	<b>St Justus:</b> For the People of the Parish
	10.00am	Breda Hasbery RIP (Pat & Barry Mundy)
	12noon	<b>St Peter:</b> Holy Souls (Liam Collins)

### UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH

**YOUTH Club:** Meets on 24<sup>th</sup> June Years 7 – 11. All are welcome. Contact: [tonbridgeyouth@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:tonbridgeyouth@rcaos.org.uk)

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP:** Next meeting Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June at 10.30am in the Fisher Hall. This informal, friendly group is here for all those who have been bereaved, whether recently or years ago. Please ring Isabelle 07873953423 or Sheila 07840 489204 for further information.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASSES at Corpus Christi**  
Group 1: Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June at 12noon. Group 2: Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 12noon.

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm in the Fisher Hall.**

**ST PETER'S CELEBRATION LUNCH PARTY.** After 12 noon Mass on 25<sup>th</sup> June, there will be a celebration lunch party at St Peter's, Hadlow, to mark more than 50 years of Mass here, and to herald the feast of Saints Peter and Paul. All are welcome.

### This Week in the Parish:

**MORNING PRAYER:** Monday at 9.40 am

**ADORATION:** Thursdays after 10.00am Mass until 10pm  
Rosary: At 9.30 am on Fri & Sat at Corpus Christi

**HOLY FACE DEVOTION-** Saturdays at 10.30am at Corpus Christi. First Tuesday of the month after Mass at St Justus.

**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)

**Confession: Sat morning NO CONFESSIONS this weekend and next. 5pm-5.45 pm at CC Tuesdays after Mass at St Justus.**

**EARLY WARNING! CONFIRMATION** If you are in Year 8 or above (from September 2023) and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, there will be preparation beginning Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2024. The sessions will be from 4.30pm-5.30pm every Saturday followed by Mass at 6.00pm. The Mass of Confirmation will be on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2024 at 12noon, Bishop Paul Hendricks will be the Celebrant. Registration Forms will be available from September. For further details please email [tonbridgecatechist@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:tonbridgecatechist@rcaos.org.uk)

**RCIA:** Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or would like to explore your faith, then please come along to our RCIA sessions which will begin in September 2023. Please email [tonbridgercia@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:tonbridgercia@rcaos.org.uk) to register your interest.

**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.

**Kindly pick up your GIFT AID BOXES (or Envelopes for Standing Order payers) if not collected, from the Narthex**

**PARISH FINANCE:** In April, the parish had ordinary income of £26,846 and expenditure of £23,059. These figures exclude second collections and Malawi donations. Thank you for all your contributions. If you are not part of the Standing Order, we welcome your contribution to offertories, second and any other collections via card machines at the back of the church and in Fisher Hall which can be made after Sunday morning mass during the coffee morning. You can register for gift aid through the card you use to make payments. Direct any questions to Zoltan Bendiner at [tonbridgebookkeeper@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:tonbridgebookkeeper@rcaos.org.uk). Many of you use Bank Transfers 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**

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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

**THIS WEEKEND** Sunday is DAY FOR LIFE, a day in the Church's life dedicated to celebrating the sacredness of life. There is a second collection which provides core funding for the Anscombe Bioethics centre and to assist other life related activities supported by the Church.

**NEXT WEEKEND** there is a second collection for Peter's Pence: by reason of the bond of unity and charity, the bishops of the Church, with their people, join together to produce those means which the Holy Father and the Apostolic See need to exercise mercy and charity and its service of the Universal Church

**SVP** Please continue with your donations of non-perishable items at Corpus Christi. **Also**, at St Justus for the Paddock Wood Food Bank.

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

**REPOSITORY CORPUS CHRISTI:** There is a good selection of cards and gifts for First Holy Communion. Please do browse. Please put money in 'Repository' box in wall or use the card reader in the narthex.

**MANY WILL KNOW** that we are having further problems with the high level windows at St. Justus. The main beam holding up the window has rotted for about one foot at both ends, braces will be fitted which will extend to the good part. Condensation is also occurring resulting in drips onto the sanctuary floor, solar reflective film will be fitted to stop this happening again. The cost is in the region of £4,000. Work will start soon but we hope no inconvenience will be suffered.

**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, Nigel Green and Carol Mappley.

**HOLY SOULS:** Please remember in your prayers, those who have died, especially Teresa Lawrence, may they rest in peace. Amen. Also, for those whose anniversaries fall at this time Andrew Allen, Tony Nicholls, Greg Czerniawski, Katrin Cope and Thomas Boden.