



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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World Youth Day

This Sunday marks the conclusion of the World Youth Day in Lisbon. I am so pleased to know that Eleanor, a young person from our parish, is attending this event in Portugal. Pope Francis took the visit of Mary to Elizabeth as the context for his message to the World Youth Day; "Mary arose and went with haste" (Lk 1:39). After the Annunciation, Mary could have focused on herself and her own worries and fears about her new condition. Instead, she entrusted herself completely to God. Mary arises and sets out, for she is certain that God's plan is the best plan for her life. Mary becomes a temple of God, an image of the pilgrim Church, a Church that goes forth for service, a Church that brings the good news to all! The haste of the young woman of Nazareth is the haste of those who have received extraordinary gifts from the Lord and feel compelled to share them, to let the immense grace that they have experienced be poured out upon others. It is the haste of those capable of putting other people's needs above their own. A healthy haste drives us always upwards and towards others. Yet there is also an unhealthy haste, which can drive us to live superficially and to take everything lightly without commitment or concern, without investing ourselves in what we do. It is the haste of those who live, study, work and socialize without any real personal investment. This can happen in interpersonal relationships. A healthy haste of Mary to reach out to needy will be our gift to others. Jesus is God's response to the challenges facing humanity in every age. (**Pope Francis, WYD 2023**)

MASS AND INTENTIONS 5th August 2023

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

SATURDAY 5 th Aug	6.00pm	Les Barrett RIP (P O'Toole)
SUNDAY 6 th Aug	8.30am	St Justus: Vera & Philip Weston RIP (Barry Weston)
	10.00am	Jean & John O'Shea RIP
	12noon	St. Peter: For the People of the Parish
MONDAY 7 th Aug	10.00am	Robina Scahill RIP (Tina Kirk)
TUESDAY 8 th Aug	10.00am	St Justus: Giuseppina di Cara RIP (Her family)
		Corpus Christi: Christian Meditation (6.30 pm -7.00 pm)
SAINT TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS (EDITH STEIN), VIRGIN AND MARTYR		
WEDNESDAY 9 th		<i>Priest will celebrate Mass privately</i>
SAINT LAWRENCE, DEACON AND MARTYR		
THURSDAY 10 th Aug	10.00am	Mary Eastal RIP and welfare of her family (Jackie Almeida) Adoration 10.30am-10.00pm
Friday 11 th Aug	10.00am	Thank you to all my friends at Corpus Christi (Monica Boardman)
SATURDAY 12 th Aug	10.00am	Deceased family & friends (Catherine Collins)
	6.00pm	Liisa & Tony Roulinson RIP
NINETEENTH SUNDAY OT (A)		
SUNDAY 13 th Aug	8.30am	St Justus: For the People of the Parish
	10.00am	Matthew Mailey RIP (Stephen & Suzy Wood)
	12noon	St Peter: For Lost Souls in Purgatory (Liam Collins)

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

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

Hall Bookings: Please contact the parish office during office hours 01732 353984 or by email. Not in the evenings or weekends.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH

YOUTH Club: Years 7 –

11.Contact:tonbridgeyouth@rcaos.org.uk

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP: Meetings will resume after the summer break, in September. 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.

BAPTISM Please see Father Saju after Mass to make your request. No baptisms can be arranged unless the parents have registered with the parish office and attended the parish Parents Baptism Preparation session. The next one is Saturday 2nd September 11.15am in the Fisher Hall.

This Week in the Parish:

MORNING PRAYER: Monday at 9.40 am Corpus Christi

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.

Confession: Sat 10.30am -11.15am &5pm-5.45 pm at CC : St Justus after Tuesday morning Mass.

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 13th 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 22nd 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

RCIA: Are you interest 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 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. **No meetings in August &September.**

CHERUBS have now finished for the summer break and will resume Sunday 3rd September.

FISHER HALL We are still receiving complaints about the state of the hall and its cleanliness. When you use the hall please leave it in a clean state especially the kitchen. If you use the hall and find it unclean please report to the parish office so we can trace the previous users. Thank you!

MANY OF YOU have still have not collected your GIFT AID BOXES (or Envelopes for Standing Order payers) from the Narthex, please do so at your earliest convenience. Thank you

PARISH FINANCE: June, the parish had ordinary income of £18,583 and expenditure of £13,758. Second collections £384 for the Day for Life and Peter’s Pence. These provide a natural offset to last month’s shortfall. Thank you for all your contribution and support 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. 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

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', Manythanks.Ken

PARISH NOTICES

ST VINCENT DE PAUL. Thank you for your kind donations. Non-perishable items are still needed. If you don't have time to shop we welcome any monetary donations in our box in the wall on the left at the back of the church. Many thanks.

ITEMS NEEDED Good quality items are needed for our church stalls at the next table-top sale to be held in the St Justus Church Hall. Please contact John Murphy for collection 01892 836854

PRESBYTERY PARKING The parking space at the side of the presbytery is for clergy and office only. Parishioner’s parking is the Fisher Hall car park, if it is full at Mass times, then you might have to double park.

ST GREGORY’S CATHOLIC SCHOOL is looking for a driven and enthusiastic practising Catholic to join our flagship Chaplaincy Team as a Lay Chaplain with effect from September 2023. We are seeking a practising Catholic with a strong personal faith and the capacity to serve the pastoral and spiritual needs of staff and students in our school. The Lay Chaplain will provide witness to the Gospel by sharing in the joys, hopes and the sorrows of members of our school community and will always remind our school community of its Christian purpose. The Lay Chaplain will be expected to support the faith life of our Catholic students, to develop, encourage and strengthen the faith of all members of the school community.

If you are interested in applying please contact hr@sgschool.org.uk or jburtont@kcsp-swc.org.uk

Closing date for applications: 31 August 2023 at 12pm

Start Date: September 2023

NB The parish office will be closed Tuesday 8th August. No emails will be accessed until the Thursday.

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, MaryGirdlestone, John Seeley, Brian Wilkins, Nigel Green, Carol Mappleby and Alan Jarek.

HOLY SOULS: Please remember in your prayers, those who have died, may they rest in peace. Amen. Also, for those whose anniversaries fall at this time Roger Goodman,