



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



Corpus Christi

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ONE PARISH

ONE FAMILY

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Lenten Talks this week

We are just one week away from Holy Week when we commemorate God's love shown in the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus. This is a grace filled time in which we experience the presence of a personal God who cares and loves us. We as one parish this week gather and listen to reflections helping us to receive nourishment for our journey to Holy Week. Moreover this preparation will help us to experience God's love in us and in the community. I invite you to join the following days to prepare us and our parish for a renewed relationship with Lord Jesus Christ. You may invite a friend or a family member with you to these talks to experience coming home in Holy Lent. There are opportunities to celebrate the Sacrament of confession on these days.

Monday 18 March – led by Monsignor Matthew Dickens (PP of St. Thomas a Becket, Wandsworth)

Time: 7.30 pm –8.30 pm—Talk; Adoration/Confession: 8.30 pm –9 pm

Tuesday 19 March – led by Canon Victor Darlington (Episcopal Vicar for the South East)

Time: 7.30 pm –8.30 pm—Talk; Adoration/Confession: 8.30 pm –9 pm

Wednesday 20 March – led by Canon Brian Coyle (Parish Priest of St. Thomas of Canterbury, Deal)

Time: 7.30 pm –8.30 pm—Talk; Adoration/Confession: 8.30 pm –9 pm

Thursday 21 March- the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 10.30 am to 10.00 pm will be an opportunity to find some quiet time in the presence of the Lord for prayerful reflection and adoration. I thank all our speakers who have generously agreed to prepare us for Holy Week and Easter joy. Further the liturgies of Holy Week, Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday and Good Friday help to prepare us to receive the hope and joy of Easter. **Fr. Saju**

MASS AND INTENTIONS 17 th March 2024			THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (B)			
SATURDAY 16 th Mar	6.00pm	For the People of the Parish	STATIONS OF THE CROSS St Justus Tues after Mass St Peter Weds 10.00am Corpus Christi: Fri 7.30pm
SUNDAY 17 th Mar	8.30am	St Justus: Thomas Isard RIP (Pat Hook)	
	10.00am	Ernest Sharp RIP (Georgina & Gordon Cuthbertson)	
	12noon	St. Peter: Sarah Gilliat-Smith RIP (Maureen Coker)	
MONDAY 18 th Mar	10.00am	St Justus: Lucy Cziraki RIP & family intentions. (Denise & Robin Hutton)	MORNING PRAYER Monday at 9.40 am Corpus Christi
ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY			ADORATION Thursdays after 10.00am Mass until 10pm
TUESDAY 19 th Mar	10.00am	St Justus: Margaret Hetherton RIP (Jane Hetherton & Teresa Feely) Stations of the Cross	ROSARY - 9.30 am on Thurs, Fri & Sat at CC Christi
	12noon	CC Requiem Mass for Monique Spice	
WED 20 th Mar		<i>Priest celebrates Mass privately for Lionel Bernard Neame</i>	HOLY FACE DEVOTION Saturdays at 10.30am at Corpus Christi & First Tuesday of the month after mass at St Justus.
THURSDAY 21 st Mar	10.00am	Intentions David Burford (Maura Branch)	CHRISTIAN MEDITATION Corpus Christi: Tuesdays 6.30 pm -7.00 pm.
FRIDAY 22 nd Mar	10.00am	Veronica Wheeler RIP (Margaret Pavlidis)	
SATURDAY 23 rd Mar	10.00am	Lauren O'Hara RIP (Suzy & Stephen Wood)	CHERUBS Sundays before 10.00am Mass in the Fisher Hall
	6.00pm	Felix Almeida RIP (Almeida family)	
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (B)			
SUNDAY 24 th March	8.30am	St Justus: Bill & Moira Feely RIP (Jane Hetherton & Teresa Feely)	
	10.00am	Nicholas Rafferty RIP (Jean Rafferty)	
	12noon	St Peter: Welfare of Richard Shaw (Jacqui Shaw)	

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Chrism Mass – 11 am 27 March at St. George's Cathedral

BAPTISM Session -Saturday 1st June in the Fisher Hall, time to be confirmed.

CONFESSION: Sat 10.30am – 11.00am 5pm-5.45 pm at CC; St Justus-after Tuesday morning mass
Monday 18 March- 8.30 pm – 9pm
Tuesday 19 March -8.30 pm – 9pm
Wednesday 20 March - 8.30 pm – 9pm

CONFIRMATION2024 tonbridgeconfirmation@rcaos.org.uk

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Email: **Congratulations to the thirty two children who receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesday.** tonbridgecatechist@rcaos.org.uk

RCIA: The Rite of scrutinise of elects, Maria, Darryl, Jamie, Matthew and Ndinain is taking place in the weekend. You may keep them in prayers as they will be received into full communion with the Church at the Easter Vigil Mass.

FAMILY SUNDAYS - Every 1st Sunday of the month, families are invited to the Fisher Hall after 10am Mass for a fun, faith-filled, craft activity along with biscuits and a cuppa.

MUMS/DADS NIGHTS- Taking time to feed our own faith by exploring an aspect of Christianity with other parents in the parish. We meet in someone's home, watch some input to get us thinking and chat over pizza and drinks. All are very welcome. Contact Isabel (07851062232) or Nick (07851609097) if you'd like to know any more, or talk to anyone already involved after church.

PEW RENOVATION CORPUS CHRISTI- the church will be closed to parishioners from Monday to Wednesday until further notice except for funerals. The funerals will be mentioned in the newsletter. **For this period Monday Mass will be transferred to St. Justus. Thursdays will be as normal. Friday will be as normal.** We are sorry for any inconvenience. Please refer to the newsletter each week in case of changes.

IN LENT- PADDOCK WOOD FOOD BANK are requesting food items. Waitrose & Tesco gift cards are very acceptable & online bank transfers: Community Storehouse Sort code: 40-36-35ACC no: 11298410 Ref: St Justus member.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL(SVP) We would appreciate your continued assistance especially with any food suitable for babies and young children. Many thanks from all at SVP.

PARSH HALL USERS Please make sure that the tables and chairs are stacked correctly after use, ensuring that the retaining bands are secured. And the table tops are cleaned after use.

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

PARISH FINANCE: Thank you for your continued generosity, which the parish depends on for sustainable financial health. Those eligible for Gift Aid, please do sign up for that. A QR code is available in each narthex on the notice boards for an easy electronic sign-up. Offertories and Gift aid payments can also be made on the **Card Machines** in Corpus Christi. Bank Transfers details are below, please follow the next step: **Mass Stipends:** Quote ST; **Offertories:** Quote OFF; **Malawi Twin Quote MT, Easter Offering** Quote ESTR.

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

Parish Finance chair: Ken Marsh

Gift -aid: Tony Mahoney

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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 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.

THE MANDATUM – HOLY THURSDAY (Corpus Christi) If you would like to have your feet washed in the 8.00pm Mass then please sign up on the list on the table in the Narthex.

WATCHING AT THE ALTAR OF REPOSE (Corpus Christi) Holy Thursday after 8.00pm Mass till Midnight. If you are able to stay, please sign up on the list on the table in the Narthex.

ALTAR SERVERS' TRAINING and Easter celebration for all Altar Servers from Corpus Christi, St Peter's and St Justus' on Saturday 23rd March starting in the church 1:30-3:30pm. Please contact Alice and let her know if you are able to attend 07871109333. Thank you.

CORPUS CHRISTI SOCIAL GROUP - The next meeting is on Tuesday, 26th March at 10.00am for coffee/tea, biscuits & a chat in Fisher Hall. This is followed by a presentation from Dave Swarbrick on the History of Corpus Christi Church. All welcome.

JAMES PAGE IS RUNNING THE KENT SPRING MARATHON on 14th April 2024 and raising money for the Malawi Twin project. The aim is to raise £500 to support the current aims and in memory of Brian Wilkins. You can support him by donating to his online fundraising page:

www.gofundme.com/f/malamarathon2024 The link is also accessible via the Malawi Twin website homepage.

MEETING REGARDING ST. PETER'S, HADLOW. There will be a meeting on Thursday 21st March at 7.00pm at St Peter's to discuss plans for further improvements. If you are interested in hearing plans and sharing ideas, do come along. Refreshments provided.

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK&HOUSEBOUND OF THE PARISH: Bob King, Ewart Beardshaw, Michael Francis, James Feeley, Nicky Byrne, Richard Perry, Ronnie Brown, Mary Girdlestone, Nigel Green, Carol Mappley, Martyn Bowman and John & Mary McNulty.
HOLY SOULS: Please remember in your prayers, those who have died and for those whose anniversaries fall at this time Susan Connelly, Doreen Martin, Eileen Presnell, Leslie Green, Penelope Flavin, Josephine Smith,, Alan Branch and Marlis Pratt, may they rest in peace. Amen.