



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



Corpus Christi

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ONE PARISH

ONE FAMILY

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Love of our enemies. The core of the Christian message is love, but never love as the world wants us to understand it; the type of love that only loves those who love us and hate or be indifferent to those who do not love us. The Christian love is godly and Christ-like in the sense that it loves all even those we might classify as our enemies. This is the exclusive and unique identity of the version of love Christ teaches. Love loses every bit of its taste when it discriminates. The perfection of love is the ability to love all just like God loves us all and allows the sun and the rain to shine on and fall on all without discrimination. This exactly is Jesus' invitation in the Gospel Reading (Luke 6:27-38) of today, "love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly... If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners love those who love them." Emphasising the uniqueness of the Christian love which never discriminates even those we might consider our enemies, Jesus teaches us today two important and intrinsic aspects of the love which are the fact that love is neither discriminative nor revengeful.

School Catholicity's Ofsted Report. We give thanks for the wonderful school report of St Margaret Clitherow, who recently had a Catholic Ofsted inspection and got an Outstanding. This shows the dedication and hard work of the school headmistress and staff, especially in the RE Department, which one of our parishioner's heads Mrs Rita Page. Congratulations to all God bless *Fr Philip*

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME. 29th SEPTEMBER TO 5th OCTOBER 2025 PRICE £1690 Information is available at the back of the church. Please see Father Philip for application forms.

MASS AND INTENTIONS 23rd February 2025		
SEVENTH SUNDAY OT (C)		
SATURDAY 22 nd Feb	6.00pm	Maura Beeham RIP (Mary Wand)
SUNDAY 23 rd Feb	8.30am	St Justus: Rita & Charles Neve RIP (Barry Weston)
	10.00am	Roy Moon RIP (Brenda Moon)
	12noon	St. Peter: For the People of the Parish
MONDAY 24 th Feb	10.00am	Mrs Sam Burford RIP (David Burford)
TUESDAY 25 th Feb	10.00am	St Justus: Teresa Griffiths RIP (Linda Pool)
WED 26 th Feb	10.00am	<i>Priest celebrates Mass privately.</i>
THURSDAY 27 th Feb	10.00am	Dennis Jones RIP (Febronia Johnson)
FRIDAY 28 th Feb	10.00am	John Boardman RIP (Monica Boardman)
SAINT DAVID, BISHOP, PATRON OF WALES (Morning)		
SATURDAY 1 st Mar	10.00am	Stephen Cole RIP (Deborah Cole)
	6.00pm	Eddie & Mary McGettican & family (Sean & Annie)
EIGHTH SUNDAY OT (C)		
SUNDAY 2 nd Mar	8.30am	St Justus: Vera & Philip Weston RIP (Barry Weston)
	10.00am	Austin Dunne RIP (Anne Dunne)
	12noon	St Peter: For the People of the Parish

WEEKLY IN THE PARISH
MORNING PRAYER
CORPUS CHRISTI
MON AT 9.40 AM
CHRISTIAN
MEDITATION
AT CORPUS CHRISTI
TUE 6.30 PM -7.00 PM.
ADORATION
AT CORPUS CHRISTI
THURSDAYS AFTER
10.30AM -10PM
ROSARY
AT CORPUS CHRISTI
9.30 AM
ON THUR, FRI & SAT
CHERUBS
IN THE HALL BEFORE
10AM MASS ON
SUNDAYS
HOLY FACE DEVOTION
AT 10.30AM SATS AND
1ST TUES AT ST. JUSTUS

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 Mike Wilson

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

YOUTH GROUP-Are you in year 7-13 and would like to come and join us for pizza, fun and games? We would love to see you at our meeting in Fisher Hall – Stefano
Next meetings Saturdays 08/03, 22/03 after 6.00pm Mass.
'THE LIFEBOAT' (PARISH BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP)
Next meeting Saturday 22nd February at 11.30am in St Peter, Hadlow. 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 speak to Father Philip after Mass to join the Parent's Baptism Preparation session. Next session is Saturday 1st March 11.30am in the Fisher Hall. Once you have spoken to Father, please contact the Parish Office before you attend the session. **CONGRATULATIONS** to Rex Adams who was baptized last weekend and to his parents and Godparents.

CONFESSION: Sat 10.30am – 11.00am 5pm-5.45pm at CC; St Justus-after Tuesday morning mass

CONFIRMATION tonbridgeconfirmation@rcaos.org.uk

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION There is a meeting for parents in the Fisher Hall at 8pm on Monday 3rd March at 8pm tonbridgecatechist@rcaos.org.uk

RCIA If you are interested in the Roman Catholic Faith and would like to become a Catholic or need adult Sacraments, please speak to Father Philip.

FAMILY SUNDAYS Faith in the Family group meets on the 1st Sunday of the month. You 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. Contacts Isabel (07851062232) or Nick (07851609097)

FROM ALL AT ST VINCENT DE PAUL Thank you for your donations. Please continue to support our St Vincent de Paul collection box at the back of church. There is a great need for baby food, nappies and toiletries.

COMMUNITY STOREHOUSE, PADDOCK WOOD Please continue with your donations in the New Year. Cash donations, Tesco & Waitrose vouchers are welcome.

ST MARGARET CLITHEROW SCHOOL We are delighted to announce that the school received Outstanding in their most recent catholic life inspection. The report recognises the Catholic ethos and provision which shines through the school with Christ being at the centre. Every sub-section of the report and overall effectiveness received Outstanding across Catholic Life and Mission, RE and Collective Worship. A massive well done to our students, staff, families, and governors. Thank you all for your continued support.

PARISH FINANCE Thank you to everyone who contributes to the Parish for your generosity. For those eligible not registered for Gift Aid please do consider signing up so that your cash contributions to the Church can be increased by 25%. Please email or speak to Tony Mahoney for further information or use the QR code in the narthex to sign up electronically. Bank Transfer details are OFF for Offertories, ST for Mass Stipends, MT for Malawi Twin. Thank you for your generosity.

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Cheques for the Parish made payable to RCAS Tonbridge.

Weekend 15/16 February 2025

Offertories :- Gift Aid £196.00 & Cash £153.44

2nd Collection (Racial Justice) £271.60

Card Machine (January) £194.00

Bankers Order (January) £5,868.30

PARISH NOTICES THIS WEEKEND there is a second collection for the Clergy Support Fund. This Fund helps the Diocese to care for their priests in their retirement, old age and at their time of ill health after their lifetime of service and devotion to Christ, His Church and His people. Your donation will ensure a dignified retirement for all of our priests.

THIS WEEKEND after all Masses Jacqui Nunes will be giving an update of SALUD.

CORPUS CHRISTI SOCIAL GROUP - The next meeting is on Tuesday, 25th February at 10.00am for coffee & chat in Fisher Hall. This is followed by a talk by Claire Ashby from the Maidstone & Tunbridge Wells Hospital Charity & Fundraising Team. There will be a raffle. All welcome.

STAY AND PLAY GROUP had to close and in order to make more room in the storage area we will be selling off the equipment This will take place on Sunday 16th March straight after the 10am mass. Please bring along cash if you would like to purchase any good second hand toys. This will be advertised to outside groups too so please spread the word. The sale will be from 11am until 1pm. Many thanks Tina Kirk

ST JUSTUS TABLE TOP SALE £421.89 was raised at the sale which was good despite a low footfall. £175.00 of this was contributed by John Murphy who had made some sales beforehand. Many thanks are due to him & to all who helped tirelessly on the day.

SHROVE TUESDAY The Holy Face of Jesus on Shrove Tuesday (4th March). Pope Pius XII declared the feast of the Holy Face of Jesus for all Roman Catholics on Shrove Tuesday, the day preceding Ash Wednesday. This is preceded by a Novena starting on 23rd February. Please contact Jacqui Shaw for more details: iacauimshaw@vahoo.co.uk or at church.

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK&HOUSEBOUND OF THE PARISH: Bob King, Sally Little, James Feeley, Nicky Byrne, Richard Perry, Ronnie Brown, Mary Girdlestone, Nigel Green, Martyn Bowman, Mary McNulty, Frank Moffatt, Brian Bayross, Rachel Branch, Gerard Jones, Gloria Gorringer, Christi Morgan, Stephen Coker and Tony & Rosemary Rowley. HOLY SOULS: Please remember in your prayers, those who have died and for those whose anniversaries fall at this time Mildred West, Hasso Von Bredow, Joseph Lorrington, John Jason, Peggy Levett, Roy Moon, Trude Zehntner, Margaret Kerswill and John Boardman.