



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



Corpus Christi

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ONE PARISH

ONE FAMILY

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First Sunday Of Lent (Gospel Reflection) The story of Jesus' temptations is not to be taken lightly. It's a warning that we can ruin our lives if we stray from the path God wills for us. The first temptation was decisively important. On the surface it is a desire for something innocent and good: why not call on God power to satisfy our hunger. "If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread, the tempter says to Jesus. His reply is surprising: "One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God." We must always seek God's will above all. At every moment we must listen to God's Word, seek God's will. Our deepest needs are not met by physical food and drink. Human beings need and yearn for more, for spiritual nurture. To help save other people from hunger and misery, we need to listen to God our Father, who awakens in our conscience a hunger for justice.

Lenten Talks this year. The theme is: "Message of Hope in Lent, for the jubilee year." There will be a half hour talk and then an opportunity for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and confession.

Monday 10th March at 7pm-8.30pm Fr Paul Diaper (Opus Dei Prelature)

Monday 17th March at 7pm-8.30pm Fr Paul Areman (Southborough Parish)

Monday 24th March at 7pm-8.30pm Canon Luke Smith (Vicar for Priestly Life), a native of Hadlow.

Monday 31st March at 7pm-8.30pm Fr Royston Price CSsR (Redemptorist Congregation)

Fr Philip

MASS AND INTENTIONS 9th March 2025		
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (C)		
SATURDAY 8 th Mar	6.00pm	George & Lucy RIP (Liji George)
SUNDAY 9 th Mar	8.30am	St Justus: Brian Murphy RIP (Vivienne Bowman)
	10.00am	Dorothy Humphreys RIP Peter Young RIP (Tony & Beverley Thorne) For the People of the Parish
	12noon	St. Peter: : Special Intentions Isabelle Parsons (Ingrid La Trobe)
MONDAY 10 th Mar	10.00am	Victoria Hirst RIP (Frances Hirst)
TUESDAY 11 th Mar	10.00am	St Justus: Mrs Gisby's Mum RIP (Linda Pool)
	10.30am	Stations of the Cross
WED 12 th Mar	10.00am	St Peter: Stations of the Cross
THURSDAY 13 th Mar	10.00am	Mollie & Peter Mellish RIP (Kathleen Tutt)
	2.00pm	Funeral Service for Mary Warne in the Chapel at the Kent & Sussex Crematorium
FRIDAY 14 th Mar	10.00am	George & Lucy RIP (Liji George)
	7.30pm	Corpus Christi: Stations of the Cross
SATURDAY 15 th Mar	10.00am	Intentions Spadework
	6.00pm	Ernest & Ann Sharp RIP (Georgina & Gordon Cuthbertson)
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (C)		
SUNDAY 16 th Mar	8.30am	St Justus: Thomas & Margaret Isard RIP
	10.00am	Theresa Coutinho RIP (Coutinho family)
	12noon	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
STATIONS OF THE CROSS
FRIDAYS - CORPUS
CHRISTI 7.30pm
TUESDAYS - ST JUSTUS
10.30am
WEDS – ST PETER
10.00am

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, 05/04 after 6.00pm Mass.

'THE LIFEBOAT' (PARISH BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP)
Next meeting Saturday 29th March 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. Once you have spoken to Father, please contact the Parish Office for details to attend the session. CONGRATULATIONS to Daniel McGill 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

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FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

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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.

ROME PILGRIMAGE 2025 (29th September to 5th October)

There will be a meeting for pilgrims and potential pilgrims on Saturday 22nd March at 12 midday in the church, to discuss the pilgrimage and answer any questions you may have concerning it. A St Peter pilgrimages representative will be present.

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 22/23 February 2025

Offertories :- Gift Aid £158.00 & Cash £357.98

2nd Collection (Retired Clergy Fund) £595.94

St Justus Table Top sale £421.89

Card Machine (January) £194.00

PARISH NOTICES

THIS WEEKEND Paul Whittle will be speaking after Mass at Corpus Christi & St Peter about the work of CAFOD and giving out the Family Fast Day envelopes which is on Friday 14th March. Next weekend at St Justus.

NEXT WEEKEND There is a second collection for the work of CAFOD please put your Family Fast Day envelopes in that collection.

FIRE DRILL - There will be a fire drill at the end of the 6 pm Mass on Saturday 22nd March and the 10am Mass on Sunday 23rd March. As usual, the fire alarm will sound at the end of Mass. Please exit the church by the nearest fire exit. Reminder to those with restricted mobility - please wait until you see that your chosen exit is clear before proceeding. Thank you for your cooperation, Dave Swarbrick, Premises Committee.

STAY AND PLAY GROUP EQUIPMENT SALE on Sunday 16th March straight after the 10am mass. Please bring along cash if you would like to purchase any good second hand toys. The sale will be from 11am until 1pm.

SALUT MALAWI'S first collection is at 2pm-4pm, Saturday 15 March 2025. Please bring donations of ladies' underwear (especially for girls aged 11 to 15), bars of soap, reusable diapers and children's summer clothes. All are invited to stay for coffee, tea and cake and find out more about the project. A SALUT collection box is also now in the narthex. For more information email: salutmalawi@gmail.com or visit

<https://starfishmalawi.com/our-projects>

MISSIO The Spring edition of 'Missio Today' is now available to readers in the narthex.

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, Sally Little, Mathew Gilliat-Smith and Tony & Rosemary Rowley. HOLY SOULS: Please remember in your prayers, those who have died, and for those whose anniversaries fall at this time Hilary Hull, Rodney Gibson, David Bogie, Victoria Hirst, Marie Norman, Anne Viner and John Girdlestone.