



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



Corpus Christi

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St. Justus

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St. Peter

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ONE PARISH

ONE FAMILY

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Scripture Reflection. In today's Gospel, St. John takes us to the shores of the Sea of Galilee, where a familiar scene unfolds—a scene of tired fishermen after a hard night's toil, empty nets, and an unexpected dawn of mercy. The disciples, after the resurrection, return to their daily activities, perhaps uncertain of what their life would become from after Our Lord's Resurrection. They cast their nets throughout the night but catch nothing. However, a familiar voice calls from the shore: "Cast your net on the right side." And with this simple command, everything changes. Their nets overflow with fish, and their hearts overflow with recognition—it is the Lord! This moment is not just about the miraculous catch of fish. It is more about Our Lord Jesus Christ meeting His disciples in their place of struggle and in their situation of unproductiveness in spite of their toil. When they only rely on their own, they realize that their efforts are vain and sterile but with Jesus, fruitfulness and abundance are assured. How often do we rely on our own strength, only to come up empty? Yet Christ stands at the shores of our lives, offering direction, abundance, and renewal. Then comes the powerful exchange between Jesus and Peter. "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Three times Jesus asks. Three times Peter answers. Jesus offers Peter the possibility of embracing his mercy. It is a loving conversation of healing, a reversal of Peter's threefold denial. With this, we see that Jesus does not condemn; He restores. With each question, Jesus is not looking for an apology—He is calling Peter into deeper love and responsibility: "Feed my sheep." Jesus further renews His will to make Peter as the head of His flock: the Church. Today Christ asks each of us, "Do you love me?" It is not a question of the past—it is an invitation to the future. Like Peter, we have failed, we have denied, we have fallen short. But Jesus does not dwell on our failures; He invites us forward.

Parking Outside Corpus Christi Church. We have recently had some complaints regarding people parking outside the neighbour's driveways, please can we be careful to make sure we don't block any of the neighbours driveways, especially those immediately opposite the church. *Fr Philip*

MASS AND INTENTIONS 4 th May 2025			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 1 ST TUES AT ST. JUSTUS
SATURDAY 3 rd May	6.00pm	Marc Woollett RIP (His family)	
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER			
SUNDAY 4 th May	8.30am	St Justus: Vera & Philip Weston RIP (Barry Weston)	
	10.00am	Father Jake Dicto ROP (Wieslawa Jesiolowska)	
	12noon	St. Peter: For the People of the Parish	
MONDAY 5 th May	10.00am	For Liam & Kevin Collins Welfare Jan Harman (Liam Collins)	
TUESDAY 6 th May	10.00am	St Justus: Judith McEwan RIP (Marie Marriott	
WED 7 th May		<i>Priest celebrates Mass privately</i>	
THURSDAY 8 th May	10.00am	Cate Green RIP & James Gallagher RIP (Nigel Green)	
FRIDAY 9 th May	10.00am	Intentions Felicity Garrigan (Jane Garrigan)	
SATURDAY 10 th May	10.00am	David Harris (Hutton Family)	
	6.00pm	Anniversary Thanksgiving Eleanor & Martin Smith	
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)			
SUNDAY 11 th May	8.30am	St Justus: Larry Eastwell RIP (Jacinta Goldup)	
	10.00am	For a successful outcome of the Conclave for the election of a new Pope For the People of the Parish	
	12noon	St Peter: Special Intentions Isobel Parsons (Ingrid La Trobe)	

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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 03/05, 17/05, 14/06 after 6.00pm Mass.

'THE LIFEBOAT' (PARISH BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP)

Next meeting Saturday 31st May 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.

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.

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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.

VE DAY ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS in Paddock Wood on Saturday 10th May 12-6.00pm. St Justus are having a Tombola church stall and are in need of items. If you have any items to donate, please contact John Murphy who will collect 01892 836854 or leave in the narthex at St Justus.

NB The Parish Office is closed Tuesday 6th May. Anything requiring urgent attention, please Father Philip direct.

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.

Account name RCAS Tonbridge

Sort Code 60-21-28 Account 71367780

Gift Aid:- Tony Mahoney (01732 773 531)

Gift Aid email:- tonbridgegac2@rcaos.org.uk

Cheques for the Parish made payable to RCAS Tonbridge.

Weekend 26/27 April 2025

Offertories :- Gift Aid £177.00 & Cash £443.03

St George's Cathedral £439.82

Card Machine (April) £325.00

Standing Orders (April) £5,895.00

PARISH NOTICES

NEXT WEEKEND there is a second collection for the Priest Training Fund (Ecclesiastical Education) this meets the cost of training students for the priesthood and the permanent diaconate. It also supports certain forms of ongoing formation of the clergy.

CORPUS CHRISTI next Sunday 10.00am Mass there will be the May ceremony of the Crowning of Our Lady.

CHERUBS. We are still looking for volunteers to join our team. Even if you can only commit to once a month or just occasionally, it will still be a huge help to us. If you'd like to find out more, please contact Christina on 07963 783299.

PARKING SUNDAY 10.00am MASS We have received complaints from residents in Lyons Crescent about parishioners' parking. Please be more considerate and do not park making resident's access & exit to their drives difficult for them. Thank you!

ITEMS NEEDED for St Justus May Fair. Bottles, good quality Bric-a-Brac, unwanted gifts. All donations gratefully received. Please contact parish office or leave in the narthex at St Justus. Thank you.

ST JUSTUS next Sunday 8.30am Mass there will be the May ceremony of the Crowning of Our Lady.

A MOMENT OF UNITY & PRAYER FOR PEACE

Date: Tuesday 20th May 2025 | Time: 12.00 pm (noon)

Location: Temple Church, Temple, London EC4Y 7BB

There will also be a livestream broadcast with the Co-Cathedral of the Most Holy name in Jerusalem. All are welcome to attend, please register at www.friendsoftheholyland.org.uk/temple25..

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK&HOUSEBOUND OF THE PARISH: Bob King, James Feeley, Nicky Byrne, Richard Perry, Ronnie Brown, Mary Girdlestone, Nigel Green, Martyn Bowman, Frank Moffatt, Brian Bayross, Rachel Branch, Gerard Jones, Gloria Gorrington, Christi Morgan, Penny Bridgland, Rena Pope, Rosemary Rowley and Debbie Corkery. **HOLY SOULS:** Please remember in your prayers, those who have died, and for those whose anniversaries fall at this time Brendan Gilliat-Smith, John McGuire, Mary Collins, Deacon Reg Grimmette, Suzanne Southworth, Patricia Green and Kenneth Brown.