



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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Gospel reflection.

In the gospel, Jesus directed the young man to the scriptures. By doing this, Jesus tries to let him understand that we can find God in his Word, which is close to him. Therefore, to love God is to love his word. He further told this by telling the story of the Good Samaritan. The word of God is personified in the Good Samaritan in today's gospel. The word of God is Jesus himself, who speaks to us, and Jesus who is ever close to us like the Good Samaritan.

Today's gospel also presents to us another way through which God is close to us. That is, in our neighbour. As a humble master, he is always available to us in simple ways and things. He is close to us in the scriptures, the poor, the just, the pious, the marginalized, the sick, and the weak. The good Samaritan saw God in the victim and was moved to help him. So, like the Good Samaritan, if we search for God in these, we will find Him.

Also, the Good Samaritan represents those who seek Christ in the weak, wounded, and needy. He represents those who are mindful of their neighbour's and the wounded. Also, he represents Christ, who is always quick to come to our help when we are weak, despised, and abandoned. He is ever ready to help us recover from our injuries. He is so close to taking care of and healing us. Hence, the Psalmist asks, "What great nation has its gods so close to it as the Lord, our God?" (Dt 4:7). *Fr Philip*

MASS AND INTENTIONS 13 th July 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 12 th July	6.00pm	Jim & Dora Austin RIP	
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OT (C)			
SUNDAY 13 th July	8.30am	St Justus: Kathleen Kirkwood (Theresa Stoves) For the People of the Parish	
	10.00am	Gerard Jones RIP (Maura Branch)	
	12noon	St. Peter: Shaw family Intentions (Jacqui Shaw)	
MONDAY 14 th July	10.00am	Fr Denis Chitite RIP (Ken & Sue Marsh)	
TUESDAY 15 th July	10.00am	St Justus: Fr Stephen Higgins RIP (Marie Marriott)	
WED 16 th July		<i>Priest celebrates Mass privately</i>	
THURSDAY 17 th July	10.00am	God’s Blessings on Emma & Alex (Liam Collins)	
FRIDAY 18 th July	10.00am	Ernest & Eileen Presnell RIP (Suzanne McGoldrick)	
SATURDAY 19 th July	10.00am	Welfare of Dekon & family (Catherine Collins)	
	6.00pm	John Constable RIP (Margaret Constable)	
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OT (C)			
SUNDAY 20 th July	8.30am	St Justus: Phyllis Bennett RIP (Vivienne Bowman)	
	10.00am	Jean Lomas RIP Anne Nicholls RIP (Jackie Almeida) For the People of the Parish	
	12noon	St Peter: Special Intentions Isabelle 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 Saturday 12/07 after 6.00pm Mass. Will resume again 6 September.

'THE LIFEBOAT' (PARISH BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP)
Next meeting September 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. **NO MEETINGS IN JULY & AUGUST**

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 George Berisford-Ince who was baptized this weekend and to his parents and God-parents.

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

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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.

ST JUSTUS CHURCH SOCIAL EVENT Sunday 20th July 2pm until 5 pm at Barry Weston's house. Come and enjoy an afternoon in Barry's garden. There is a swimming pool to use and plenty of off road parking in the paddock. Tea, coffee, squash and water available plus a bowl of strawberries and cream from the St. Justus Social Committee. Please bring a plate of food to share for our Jacob's Table. You will need to bring your own cutlery & crockery, a chair and little table and your own towel. Please let a member of the Social Committee how many of you are coming for catering.

STANDING ORDER PAYERS (CC) There are still second collection envelopes left in the Narthex, please pick yours up as you will be needing them!

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 5/6 July Offertories:-

Gift Aid Envelopes:- £199.70 Cash:- £238.48

Card Machine (June): £455.00

Monthly Online (June): £6,845.00

Defibrillator (inc. GA) £ 1,380.46

PARISH NOTICES THIS WEEKEND Sunday is Sea Sunday and there will be a second collection for Stella Maris (formerly Apostleship of the Sea). They are a Catholic charity supporting seafarers worldwide. They provide practical and pastoral care to all seafarers, regardless of nationality or belief. A seafarer can be away a year at a time separated from their families and their lives can be lonely and dangerous. Stella Maris relies wholly on voluntary contributions to continue their work.

DEFIBRILLATOR If you would like to contribute to this. You can still make a donation in an envelope and put through the presbytery door marked 'Defibrillator', or by DONA or Bank Transfer Ref: 'Defib'. Thank you.

CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH CLEANING Volunteers are needed. If this is something that you would like to do, please sign up on the list in the Narthex. You will be contacted to arrange the groups. Thank you..

A LIFECHANGING OPPORTUNITY! DO YOU DESIRE TO KNOW JESUS MORE INTIMATELY? The Archbishop's Certificate (ArchCert) is a two-year online course for all in Southwark and beyond who wish to understand their faith in a more profound way and be able to share it with both confidence and joy. The course will commence on 18 October 2025 and the cost will be £400 per year. The full cost of the course, payable over 2 years is £800. In addition, registration must be completed in advance and there is a non-refundable registration fee of £50. Further details can be found here:

<https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/archcert>

ROAD WORKS, LYONS CRESCENT which will be closed 21st, 22nd, 23rd July. KCC Highways are aware that constant access is required to the church, presbytery & hall. Your co-operation & patience will be needed!

PLEASE 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, Gloria Gorringer, Christi Morgan, Penny Bridgland, Rena Pope, Rosemary Rowley and Linda Horne. HOLY SOULS: Please remember in your prayers, those who have died, especially Laura Conlon & Mary Pitterson, and for those whose anniversaries fall at this time Joyce Law, Henry Groenendijk, Henry Johnstone, Henryk Wilczek, Antony Eastham, Marianne Bertram and Marie Lello.