



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



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THE MANY MIRACLES WROUGHT BY THE BROWN SCAPULAR OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

The Mantle or Scapular of Elias There is an indisputable link between the prophet Elias and the religious order of Our Lady of Mount Carmel; as well as a symbolic link between the mantle or scapular of Elias and the mantle or scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Elias used to inhabit the area on and around Mount Carmel itself—which was just 9 miles from where Our Lady would later live in Nazareth. From her home in Nazareth, every day Our Lady could see Mount Carmel nine miles distant to the west. She would, no doubt, visited Mount Carmel during her life. It was on Mount Carmel that Elias defeated the idolatrous prophets of Baal and killed them, thus saving Israel from ruin; and it is Our Lady of Mount Carmel who, through her Scapular, will one day save the world from the devil, sin and heresy. The many miracles that have been wrought through the Brown Scapular are merely foretastes of the great triumph that is one day to come through the triumph of Our Lady, who will use, to a large extent, the Rosary and the Scapular to bring it about. Let us then have a look at some of these miracles, so that our confidence can be raised and maintained in the Brown Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. To begin with, let us go back to the time of the prophet Elias, whose mantle or scapular was a foretaste or prefiguration of many Scapular miracles that would come after 1251. *“And Elias said to Eliseus: ‘Stay here, because the Lord hath sent me as far as the Jordan!’ And Eliseus when said: ‘As the Lord liveth, and as thy soul liveth, I will not leave thee!’ and they two went on together. And fifty men of the sons of the prophets* *cont’d on page 2*

MASS AND INTENTIONS 20th July 2025

SATURDAY 19 th July	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)
MONDAY 21 st July	10.00am	Margery Shanahan RIP Maud Preston & her relatives
	2.30pm	Requiem Mass for Laura Conlon
SAINT MARY MAGDALENE		
TUESDAY 22 nd July	10.00am	St Justus: Steve Pickard RIP (Marie Marriott)
WED 23 rd July		<i>Priest celebrates Mass privately</i>
THURSDAY 24 th July	10.00am	God’s Blessings on Val King (Bob King)
SAINT JAMES, APOSTLE		
FRIDAY 25 th July	10.00am	Joanne Dawson RIP (Suzanne McGoldrick)
SATURDAY 26 th July	10.00am	Wendy Geoghegan RIP (Gwen Blyth)
	6.00pm	Patricia O’Shaughnessy RIP (Keen family)
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OT (C)		
SUNDAY 27 th July	8.30am	St Justus: Maureen & John Weston RIP (Barry Weston) Denis & Eileen Harrington RIP
	10.00am	Gerard Jones RIP (Ann Jones)
	12noon	St Peter: Special Intentions Isabelle Parsons (Ingrid La Trobe) 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**

followed them, and stood in sight at a distance: but they two [Elias and Eliseus] stood by the Jordan. And Elias took his mantle and folded it together, and struck the waters, and they were divided hither and thither, and they both passed over on dry ground. And when they were gone over, Elias said to Eliseus: 'Ask what thou wilt have me to do for thee, before I be taken away from thee!' And Eliseus said: 'I beseech thee that in me may be thy double spirit!' And he answered: 'Thou hast asked a hard thing! Nevertheless, if thou see me when I am taken from thee, thou shalt have what thou hast asked: but if thou see me not, thou shalt not have it!' And as they went on, walking and talking together, behold a fiery chariot, and fiery horses parted them both asunder: and Elias went up by a whirlwind into Heaven. And Eliseus saw him, and cried: 'My father, my father! The chariot of Israel, and the driver thereof!' And he saw him no more: and he took hold of his own garments, and rent them in two pieces. And he took up the mantle of Elias, that fell from him: and going back, he stood upon the bank of the Jordan, and he struck the waters with the mantle of Elias, that had fallen from him, and they were not divided. And he said: 'Where is now the God of Elias?' And he struck the waters, and they were divided, hither and thither, and Eliseus passed over" (4 Kings 2:6-14).

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.

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 12/13 July Offertories:-

Gift Aid Envelopes:- £184.50 Cash:- £234.62

Card Machine (June): £455.00 Monthly

Online (June): £6,845.00

2nd Collection:- Stella Maris £418.63

PARISH NOTICES

CORPUS CHRISTI SOCIAL GROUP - The next meeting is on Tuesday, 29th July at 10.00am in Fisher Hall for Coffee & Chat. There will be a raffle. All Welcome.

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.

PARISH COFFEE SUNDAY AFTER MASS CC Frances will be giving up organising the coffee rota from September. If you are willing to take this on please let the parish office know. We are also in desperate need for new teams to go on the rota on the allocated Sundays as a few of the teams are giving up.

UPDATE ROAD WORKS, LYONS CRESCENT will be closed from Mortley Close 21st, 22nd, 23rd July with no through access. The church & hall can be accessed from East Street.

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK&HOUSEBOUND OF THE PARISH: Bob King, James Feeley, Nicky Byrne, Richard Perry, Ronnie Brown, Mary Girdlestone, Martyn Bowman, Frank Moffatt, Brian Bayross, Rachel Branch, Gloria Gorringer, Christi Morgan, Penny Bridgland, Rena Pope and Rosemary Rowley. HOLY SOULS: Please remember in your prayers, those who have died, especially Nigel Green, and for those whose anniversaries fall at this time Dora Austin, Bernard O'Brien, John Murray, Noel Deegan, Josephine Burton, Mary Crawford, Thomas Breen, Joan Lovell and Geoff Cox.