



Corpus Christi Wokingham

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20th October 2024: Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B



It's good to open the door in the morning and find the milk on the doorstep, or to be able to put out the rubbish and know that it's going to be taken away. It's good to nip out late at night knowing that somewhere there'll still be a corner shop open or a 'Drive-Thru'. We appreciate the people that man these services, but how many of us planned to be those people as we grew up? "If you don't work hard," our teachers warn us at school, "you'll end up stacking shelves in the supermarket." It seems that we all want to be served, but not many of us want to do the serving.

Today's gospel is a lesson in leadership. Jesus sees leadership as one thing and his disciples see it as something very different. "Grant that in your glory," request James and John, "that we may sit one at your right and the other at your left." They equate leadership with authority, power, glory and status. This is not of course how Jesus ever sought to lead. Jesus never sought power or glory; he only ever sought humility and servitude.

"Whoever wishes to be great among you will be slave of all," Jesus tells them. He meant that we should lead by example, by rolling up our sleeves and getting stuck in as equals.

Nowadays, we are very career orientated. We are brought up to equate position and status with success. It is easy for a politician, a doctor or a teacher to think that he or she is more important than the person who sweeps the streets. Jesus warns that the cup he chose to drink is a difficult one. What we should take away today is that no one must use their position to lord it over others; rather we should use our God given skills to serve one another.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday 19th October

9am Called and Gifted Mass

5pm - 5.20pm Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Vigil Mass (First Mass of Sunday)

5.30pm Dennis Dent RIP

Sunday 20th October - Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9am Finbarr Cronin RIP

11am Andy Durrant RIP - 1st Anniversary

Tuesday 22nd October - Feria

7pm

Wednesday 23rd October - Diocesan Day of Prayer & Preparation for Life

8.30am Silent Adoration

9.30am Anne Vaughan RIP - 4th Anniversary

Thursday 24th October - Feria

NO MASS

8 - 9pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday 25th October - Feria

9.30am Deceased Members of the Keely Family (F)

10am Praying the Rosary

Saturday 26th October

5pm - 5.20pm Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Vigil Mass (First Mass of Sunday)

5.30pm Alberto Estares Jr RIP

Sunday 27th October - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9am John and Julia Harrington RIP

11am Pascoal and Maria Antonia Quadras RIP

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Parish Office Opening Times - Tuesday 10.00 to 14.00, Wednesday 09.30 to 12.00, Thursday 09.30 to 12.00 and Friday 10.00 to 14.00

Parish Administrator, Hannah Procter, can be contacted on Tel: 0118 978 0348 or email: wokingham@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

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Please remember all who are sick, especially, Joyce Unwin, Mary Ann Froude, Daniel Sutton, Sarah White, John Butterworth, Kathy Kramers, Neil Harman, Patricia Grayston, Jim Cuthbert, Pam Bedwell, James Phillips, Phyl Parrat and Fr Jim Joyce.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Joy Phillips who passed away on Monday 14th October, and for her family.

*Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let Your perpetual light shine upon her.
May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.*



Second Collection - Sunday 20th October

Missio - World Mission Sunday

Today, parishes worldwide celebrate World Mission Sunday. World Mission Sunday is our chance to show love and solidarity to our brothers and sisters overseas. We are called to 'go and invite everyone to the banquet' for the joy of Christ's Resurrection is a gift meant to be shared



with the entire world. In offering our prayers, we join with missionaries everywhere in communion and compassion to support them in spreading the Good News, and by giving a donation we respond to Christ's call to share our faith in Jesus so that all may experience God's love. The funds raised build much-needed infrastructure, from chapels and schools to orphanages, clinics and dispensaries. World Mission Sunday is one of only three Papal collections and has been especially chosen by the Holy Father to support the mission of the Church in the world via Missio.

To donate, use the Missio envelope in the baskets, the Dona machines or visit missio.org.uk to give a gift or set up a Direct Debit. Please Gift Aid your donation if possible.

Safeguarding Drop In

Claire and Jordana will be available for DBS 'surgery' on Saturday 19th October after 5.30pm Mass in the Keenan rooms.



Night of Light

You are warmly invited to our **Night of Light** celebrating All Hallows' Eve on Thursday 31st October 5 - 6.30pm for activities, games, food and friendship. RSVP through the parish office on 0118 978 0348 or sign up in the church porch. Thank you.

New Lectionary

Are you a regular Reader at Mass? Or are you ever asked to read in Church? Then this session is for YOU! We are pleased to offer two sessions about the new lectionary. The new lectionary comes into use in Advent. Each session will be led by Fr. Anthony Fyk, Director of Liturgy, and **will be identical** - so you need only attend one. The session will cover what the lectionary is, its revisions and what they mean for us. It is also an opportunity for Questions and Answers. If you wish to pose a question, please submit it in advance in writing to liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. The sessions will be held online on Tuesday 5th November and Tuesday 19th November and last one hour, from 7pm to 8pm. Please register for the Tuesday 5th November session [here](#) or for the Tuesday 19th November session [here](#).

First Holy Communion 2025

As our First Holy Communion Programme will be starting in the New Year we would like to invite Parents to an information Evening on Wednesday 6th November from 6-7pm in the Keenan Rooms. This session will give an overview of the programme and what it entails. There is an expectation that children joining the programme will already be attending Saturday/Sunday Mass regularly.



Please register your attendance for the meeting emailing the parish office with your details and the age of your child and the school they attend: wokingham@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. Please note, this session is for Parents only.

The Financial Support of our Parish

To support the parish financially please consider setting up a monthly standing order. If you are a tax payer and can help further by using 'Gift Aid', please ask the parish office for a form.



Bank Details A/c Name: CDP Wokingham Corpus Christi
Sort Code: 30-93-04 A/c No: 00891666.

Or if you prefer not to have a regular standing order, please consider using the digital collection plates or the QR code above. Thank you for your ongoing support of the Parish.

Mass Intentions



If you would like to have a Mass offered for a particular intention then please contact the parish office. Often Mass Intentions are for the deceased but a Mass can be offered for any good intention e.g., in thanksgiving for some happy event, for someone who is sick. Perhaps you have never thought of having a Mass offered before? It is traditional, though totally without obligation, to make an offering (a Mass stipend) to the priest who celebrates the Mass. Mass stipends make up part of a priest's annual income.

ATTENTION Children **should not** go unaccompanied to the toilet during Mass and should be with an adult at **all** times. This is for their own safety. Thank you for your cooperation.