



Corpus Christi

Corpus Christi Wokingham

South Berkshire Pastoral Area
Roman Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth



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MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

N.B. All Masses will be livestreamed

unless otherwise stated

The church will be open for public attendance for each weekday Mass, unless otherwise stated.

Saturday 23rd October - Vigil Mass

5pm - 5.20pm *Sacrament of Reconciliation*

5.30pm *People of the Parish*

Sunday 24th October

Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

9am *Joseph and Catherine Farr RIP*

11am *Peter and Shauna Webb 10th*

Wedding Anniversary - in Thanksgiving

Tuesday 26th October - Feria

10.30am *Funeral Mass for Catherine Farr (N.B. Open to the public)*

7pm *Deceased members of the Keely Family (F)*

Wednesday 27th October - Feria

10am

Thursday 28th October - Ss Simon and Jude, Apostles, Feast

10am

Friday 29th October - Feria

10am

Saturday 30th October - Vigil Mass

5pm - 5.20pm *Sacrament of Reconciliation*

5.30pm *People of the Parish*

Sunday 31st October

All Saints, Solemnity

9am

11am

(F) Foundation Mass

(P) Perpetual Mass

Mass Intentions - If you would like a Mass to be offered for a particular intention then please contact the parish office.

Important Contacts

Other Priests of the Pastoral Area:

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Parish Office Opening Times :- Wednesday and Friday, 10.00 to 14.00

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24th October 2021: Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year B



Have we lost our belief in what we cannot see? Do we start to pray for something but stop mid sentence feeling sure that God can't be listening. Even if he is listening, why on earth would he grant our unimportant prayers? Perhaps we cannot remember a time when a prayer was answered and so lose hope. Perhaps we have had a prayer

answered but imagine it was more likely to be some great coincidence or a stroke of luck than God at work.

Today's gospel is a lesson in faith and prayer. The story starts in a place many of our prayers begin, in a place of darkness desperation and raw need. Bartimaeus the blind beggar shows us what faith is all about. He knows that Jesus is passing by and knowing that this might be his one and only chance of a cure, seizes his opportunity. He shouts out and keeps shouting despite others telling him to pipe down. He is eager, assertive, and full of hope. Bartimaeus shows us that faith is all about believing that God can do something for us that we cannot do for ourselves; and to persist in asking. It becomes clear that the story is not just about a physical healing but a spiritual awakening. Once Bartimaeus had encountered Jesus, he must surely have embarked upon a life of commitment to Christ.

So it is with our own lives. Once we have understood how Jesus works in our lives, it will become the most natural thing in the world to place Christ at the centre of everything we do.



Please remember all who are sick, especially, Joyce Unwin, Hugh Dwan, Mary Ann Froude, Daniel Sutton, Joseph Nemeth, Sarah White, John Butterworth, Pat Hall, Joy Phillips and Sr Veronica.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Ellen Daughters who has died recently and for the Daughters family. May she rest in peace.



Covid-19 Reminders

We ask you to remain vigilant and help prevent spreading the virus.

- ◆ Please do not enter the church if you have COVID symptoms, if you have received a positive Lateral Flow or PCR test result, or if you are waiting for a PCR test/result.
- ◆ Please sanitise your hands when entering
- ◆ Wearing a face covering, in our enclosed space is advised
- ◆ Please be considerate of co-worshippers and respect personal space
- ◆ Maintain 1 metre distance where possible

Thank you for your cooperation

Foundation Governors Needed

St Margaret Clitherow Primary School in Bracknell is seeking to appoint Foundation Governors. The governing body supports school leadership to make decisions and uphold a Catholic vision to support and nourish our children. We are particularly interested to hear from people with IT, Finance or HR experience but would welcome a diverse range of applicants. For further information please contact Susan (Clerk to Governors) on ctg@smc-bracknell.com. The closing date for applications is Friday 12th November.



St Margaret Clitherow
Catholic Primary School



CAFOD

A message from CAFOD: Thank you for supporting our Climate Crisis Appeal for our recent Family Fast Day. Every donation helps us in our work and is gratefully received. cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis

Please pray for the success of the upcoming UN climate talks in Glasgow, COP26, from 31 October to 12 November. Please pray that that world leaders will put the needs of marginalised communities around the world, those most affected by climate change, right at the heart of these climate talks. For more information see cafod.org.uk/COP26
May the Holy Spirit inspire all political leaders at COP26 and instill in them the courage and gentleness to implement fairer solutions for the most vulnerable.

Welcome into the family of the Church - Please pray for infants Evie and Darcie Cruse and Eleanor Herbert who will be baptised at Corpus Christi on 24th October and for Levi Danquah who will be baptised on 30th October.

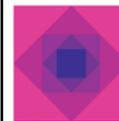
St Jude and St Simon - 28th October

Praying For A Desperate Cause?

Jude is often, in popular usage, referred to as the patron of desperate causes, the "saint of last resort," the one you ask for help when all else fails. Jude's feast day is linked with St Simon because tradition has it that Simon preached in Egypt and then went to Persia with St. Jude, where both suffered martyrdom.



Marriage Care - Volunteer Counsellors Needed



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Are you a natural, empathic listener, looking for an opportunity to develop and use your skills to help couples in distress? Marriage Care in Reading is looking for volunteer counsellors. We will train you on our Certificate in Relationship Counselling (CRC) providing you with all the skills, knowledge and practical experience you need to start counselling couples safely and effectively. For the right candidate this will be a life-changing opportunity to train and volunteer within a supportive, nurturing and inspiring community and make the world of difference to couples and families. For further details visit www.marriagecare.org.uk or contact Sue Cooper at sue.cooper@marriagecare.org

Corpus Christi Quiz Night Returns!

The Corpus Christi quiz night returns on Saturday 20th November! Join your quiz master Martin and the social committee at 7.30pm for some testing questions! A glass of wine or juice will be provided but please bring your own glass, along with any other drinks and nibbles you want for your table. Please make sure you are in a team (up to 6) and wear a face mask when not sat at your table. Email sue.nind&sky.com with details of your team to reserve a place. Tickets are £5 each.



The Financial Support of our Parish - To continue supporting the parish financially please consider setting up a monthly standing order via internet banking. If you are a tax payer and can help further by using 'Gift Aid', please ask the parish office for a form. *Our account details: Sort Code 30-93-04 A/c no. 00891666; A/c name: PRCDT Wokingham Corpus Christi* - Or if you prefer not to have a regular standing order, you may like to use this link. Thank you. <https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/charity/corpus-christi-wokingham-catholic-parish>