

# Corpus Christi Catholic Church

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## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - SUNDAY 17TH MAY 2026

SATURDAY	16TH	18:00	Seventh Sunday of Easter	Solemnity	Holy Souls
SUNDAY	17TH	08:30	Seventh Sunday of Easter	Solemnity	Irene Tomlin RIP
SUNDAY	17TH	10:00	Seventh Sunday of Easter	Solemnity	PRO POPULO
SUNDAY	17TH	12:00	Seventh Sunday of Easter	Solemnity	Evariste and George Obin RIP
SUNDAY	17TH	18:00	Seventh Sunday of Easter	Solemnity	Chioma & Austin Eluwa Intentions
MONDAY	18TH	10:00	St. John I, Pope and Martyr	Memorial	Holy Souls
TUESDAY	19TH	10:00	St. Dunstan	Memorial	Holy Souls
WEDNESDAY	20TH	10:00	St. Bernardine of Siena	Memorial	Holy Souls
THURSDAY	21ST	10:00	St. Christopher of Magallanes	Memorial	Holy Souls
FRIDAY	22ND	10:00	St. Rita of Cascia	Memorial	Holy Souls
SATURDAY	23RD	10:00		Feria	Count Dressman & Staff of Morleys

**TEA AND COFFEE:** SUNDAY AFTER 10AM MASS

**CONFESSIONS:** SATURDAY EVENING: 5PM - 5:40PM



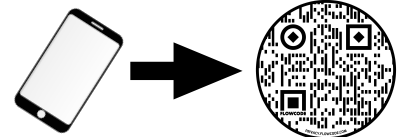
We pray for Francis Egibunike and Eileen Dighton who died recently and all whose anniversaries occur around this time: Zosia Szakacs, Magdaline Patterson, Eugenie Amos, Sr Mary Toner, Mona Seecharan, Christopher Quinn, Ethan Barai, James Denney, Rosa Henning-Frasca, Martin Morris, Rosemary Joyce, John Connolly, Rita English, Norbert Fay, Lilian Tomlinson, Patrick Turley, Edward Bremer, Esperance Attelia and Oswald Webber.

We’ve just concluded the first of three Masses of First Holy Communion in the parish and it was a lovely celebration. It was good to be able to speak with the children about their understanding of Jesus’ words to us; “this is my body” and “this is my blood” and we thought about why we trust what Jesus says. I asked one of them - during the sermon - ‘why do we trust Jesus more than anyone else?’ and the excellent reply was “because He is the Son of God”. He left His closest ones in no doubt that to follow Him (to believe in Him) was to believe His words were true and that we - as we come each Sunday to the Holy Mass - recognise that we are not coming to a social event. It’s not primarily a gathering of the community but it is above all an encounter with our risen Lord Jesus in the flesh. Our encounter with Him helps us to grow in living out our vocation and both becoming like Him to others and recognising His image and likeness in each person whom we meet at Church and outside of it. At the end of Holy Communion I invited the children to kneel down and close their eyes and we made our thanksgiving together. The prayer of thanksgiving involves our returning to our place, kneeling down, being silent and recognising that Jesus has become one with us in the most intimate way possible in this life. It is easy to be distracted - particularly if we are exercising a necessary ministry and busy assisting the congregation - but thanksgiving helps us to stop, listen to the Lord who visits us in silence and say “thank you” in return. St Thomas Aquinas wrote a beautiful prayer specifically for this moment. It’s not possible to quote it in full, however, within it he says: “I thank you, for even though I am a sinner, your unprofitable servant, not because of my worth but in the kindness of your mercy, you have fed me with the Precious Body and Blood of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.” This is why I also told the children to relax. They could - and we can - do no more than say “thank you”. This greatest gift is beyond price and also beyond us to merit. It simply calls us to reception - every Sunday - and thanksgiving. Through this we are nourished, grow in grace and become more like Jesus.

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## PARISH NEWS

### **PARISH SUMMER FAIR - SAT 13TH JUNE (12- 4:30PM):**

If you are able to please donate & leave in the porch...

Teddies (please wash before giving)

Bottles\* (deliver to Corpus Christi School),

Cakes (baked for the day of the fair),

Plants (from Thursday 11th June onwards).

Books (in good condition)

No bric-a-brac (we are no longer running that stall)

- If you would allow an **estate-agent board** to stand outside your house for a month - we raise £25 each - click [here](#).

- We need volunteers for set-up, on the day and clean-up. Please [click](#) or call 07919048992.

**Raffle tickets** are also on sale after all Masses this weekend with many prizes to be won including: **£250 cash**, baking workshops from Bread Ahead, Dinner at Cricket, Khan's, Beb's Kitchen & more...

**REGISTER AS A PARISHIONER:** We have a new parishioner registration form that helps us stay in touch, provide pastoral care, and understand the gifts within our community; it takes 5 mins to complete. Thank you for helping us grow together as a parish. Please fill it out via [this link](#) or scan the QR code on the right. Paper copies are available in the porch.



**ROSARY ON WEDNESDAYS DURING MAY:** After the 10am Mass each week in May we will pray the rosary for the intentions of Archbishop John's rosary for life. He is asking us to pray where human life is under threat and ask God's protection for all lives from the womb to the tomb. You can follow the rosary from home by visiting the following link: [www.rcaos.org.uk/rosaryforlife](http://www.rcaos.org.uk/rosaryforlife). There is also a day of prayer and fasting for the protection of life on Thursday 21st May: see [www.goodcounselnetwork.com](http://www.goodcounselnetwork.com).

**SUMMER SCHEDULE OF SUNDAY MASSES:** The Vicar General has asked for all parishes to reduce Masses during the Summer months "for uniformity throughout the Archdiocese". Since it has the lowest average attendance of the five Sunday celebrations, there will be no Saturday 6pm Mass on 18th, 25th, July, 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th August and 5th September. It will resume on Saturday 12th Sept.

**DISPARATE THREADS - SUMMER ART EXHIBITION - 26TH-28TH JUNE 2026:** John R Bateson will host an art exhibition. If you wish to exhibit work please email [j.r.cornerstone@btinternet.com](mailto:j.r.cornerstone@btinternet.com)

**MASS OF HEALING FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND:** On **Saturday 25th July at 12pm** we will again welcome those who are not normally able to come to Mass in our parish. It is an opportunity to work towards arranging transportation and inviting families who are ordinarily unable to attend. I am grateful to the SVP for their work in this regard and also encourage you - if you have or know of someone who has a housebound friend or relative - to invite them and seek to help them attend. There will be tea served afterwards. Let us pray for all those who are frail, sick and / or housebound.

**UPDATE: SYCAMORE COURSE:** This week Thursday 21st May @ 7:30 Baptism & Confirmation.

**SPONSOR A CHILD:** In July and August I will take our children and young adults to the [Faith Summer Break](#) [11-15 yoa] and [Faith Summer Session](#) [16-30 yoa] - see [www.faith.org.uk/events](http://www.faith.org.uk/events). Many families cannot afford the cost of these weeks. We are also looking for help to subsidise adult helpers who give up work / holiday to assist. If you are in a position to help please click [here](#), scan the QR code or visit <https://bit.ly/3QJqOrg> to donate. It costs £270 (inc. transport) per attendee.

