




# Corpus Christi Catholic Church

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**SUNDAY 11TH FEBRUARY 2024**

**SIXTH SUNDAY / THE SEASON OF LENT**

SATURDAY	10TH	18:00	Sixth Sunday	Solemnity	
SUNDAY	11TH	08:30	Sixth Sunday	Solemnity	
SUNDAY	11TH	10:00	Sixth Sunday	Solemnity	Pro Populo
SUNDAY	11TH	12:00	Sixth Sunday	Solemnity	Samuel Wilby
SUNDAY	11TH	18:00	Sixth Sunday	Solemnity	David Tiehi
MONDAY	12TH	10:00		Feria	
TUESDAY	13TH	10:00		Feria	
WEDNESDAY	14TH	10:00	Ash Wednesday	Feria	
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THURSDAY	15TH	10:00	The Season of Lent	Feria	
FRIDAY	16TH	10:00	The Season of Lent	Feria	

**CONFESSIONS:** SATURDAY: 5PM - 5:40PM [HALL]

**TEA & COFFEE:** AFTER 10AM MASS [THURS & SUN]



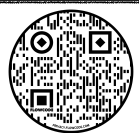
We pray for those who have died especially Eileen Cronin, Geraldine McSherry and Gary Rose. We remember those whose anniversaries occur: Samuel St. Hilaire, James Findlay, Ellen (Nellie) McEntaggart, Claris Wray, John O’Shea, Bridget Carey, Patrick Lynch, Josephine Sciberras, Winifred Shuttleworth and Carmen Spiteri.

This Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent which we observe by gathering for Mass at which there will be the distribution of ashes. Lent is a very powerful season in which we are invited to encounter the Lord Jesus Christ: as he prepares for and makes the journey of His Passion we are meant to prepare ourselves and make the journey with Him. Within the powerful readings of Ash Wednesday we will hear the invocation - from the prophet Joel - that we let our “hearts be broken, not our garments torn” and then we will experience the touch of the priest on our foreheads as he traces the sign of the cross in ashes. It is a ritual that is so simple and yet so profound. Through being “ashed” or marked we remember that this same action occurred in the moment of our Baptism. Fr Mebrate and I frequently make the sign of the cross on your children as you bring them for Baptism and now each of us receive again this sign of the cross from the Church’s minister and are invited - in this moment - to recognise and experience the sacramental touch of Christ. In this season Jesus wants to touch us anew with His love and realise through this intimacy we seek with Him that we are chosen, called, loved and invited to repent and be converted to Him in a deeper way in the coming 40 days. There is no magic in the distribution of ashes; it carries no power in and of itself, however, it acts as a helpful reminder and inspiration as we are called to remember Jesus’ love, His constancy, His willingness always to come close to us and this truth inspires us to come close to Him. Let us pray that we may live Lent well by coming closer to the Lord.

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## PARISH NEWS

**THE SEASON OF LENT:** Ash Wednesday is on Wednesday 14th February and we will have two Masses in Church on that day with the distribution of ashes - at 10am and 7pm - as we begin the penitential season together.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** We will gather for Stations of the Cross **from next Friday evening** on every Friday of Lent at 8pm in the Church. All are welcome to attend.

**SUNDAY HOLY HOURS THROUGHOUT LENT:** We will gather in front of the Blessed Sacrament for a time of prayerful reflection each Sunday from 4:45pm until 5:45pm.

**SCRIPTURE COURSE:** Due to the next session falling within the Half-Term break - meaning many people are unable to attend - we will postpone the resumption of our Scripture Course until Tuesday 27th February.

**SECOND COLLECTIONS:** Next Sunday: Clergy Support Fund. Following Sunday: CAFOD.

**PARISH QUIZ NIGHT - SATURDAY 2ND MARCH 2024 - 7PM:** Do you have the wits to win? I didn't last year but it is the taking part that counts!! Save The Date and make sure to get your tickets for what is always a very fun night. Tickets cost £5 and £20 for a team ticket of 5 (maximum).

**PARISH SUMMER FAIR:** Please Save The Date for our Parish Summer Fair which will take place this year on **Saturday 15th June**. The Summer Fair is our biggest annual fundraising event and a great opportunity to be together. A big thank you to those already working to make it happen!

**MASS INTENTIONS:** There are currently a great number of Masses to be offered without an intention in our parish. If you would like to have a Mass said for someone who has died or is in particular need of prayer, please do complete the Mass intention envelope (available in the porch) and drop it into the Priests' House and a Mass will be arranged and published in the Newsletter.

**FORTHCOMING YOUTH EVENTS:** A reminder that our [Youth Club](#) for those in years 6-8 (pre-Confirmation) takes place each Sunday at 4pm. All are welcome! We will be going to our [Archdiocesan Youth Day](#) on Saturday 9th March. I am also planning to take a group of those (aged 11-15) on the [Faith Summer Break](#) again this year (Monday 12th to Thursday 15th August). It's a great experience where the children grow in faith and friendship. Many attend because of your generosity in subsidising their place. If you are able to offer a £150 subsidy to let a child attend I would be very grateful to hear from you. Let us continue to pray for all young people of our parish.

**MASS IN CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE - JULY 13TH - ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL:** If you are celebrating your 1st / 10th / 25th / 40th / 50th / 60th + wedding anniversary this year, please let the Marriage and Family Life Office know as soon as possible - and no later than 31st May - providing the following details: your names in the format "John and Mary Smith", your home address, the anniversary you are celebrating, so you can receive an invitation from the Archbishop for the renewal of vows during Mass. Spaces are limited. Email the office at [mflse@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:mflse@rcaos.org.uk). As the subject of your email please write your parish location: e.g. Brixton Hill.