




# Corpus Christi Catholic Church

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## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY

SATURDAY	5TH	18:00	Fourteenth Sunday	Solemnity	Johnny McCann RIP
SUNDAY	6TH	08:30	Fourteenth Sunday	Solemnity	Pro Populo
SUNDAY	6TH	10:00	Fourteenth Sunday	Solemnity	Philo Woodford Intention
SUNDAY	6TH	12:00	Fourteenth Sunday	Solemnity	David Tiehi
SUNDAY	6TH	18:00	Fourteenth Sunday	Solemnity	
MONDAY	7TH	10:00		Feria	Mother of Perpetual Help
TUESDAY	8TH	10:00		Feria	Roisin Walsh RIP
WEDNESDAY	9TH	10:00	St Augustine Zhao Rong	Memorial	Ann Thomas RIP
THURSDAY	10TH	10:00		Feria	Bruno Cesare Romano RIP
FRIDAY	11TH	10:00	St Benedict	Memorial	Kenza Tiehi Birthday
SATURDAY	12TH	10:00	St John Jones	Memorial	

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

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



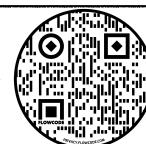
We pray for Malik, Stephen Henry, Victor William, Luciana Bernardini, Philipa Beech who died recently and all whose anniversaries occur around this time: Winifred Cole, Michelina Dry, Seamus Murphy, Ethna Fitzgerald, Kevin McElhatton SJ, Ann Coleman, Marcello Sammut, Rose Harris, Pearl Harvey, Violetta Serne and Cecilia Kennedy. May their souls - and the souls of all the faithful departed - through the mercy of God - rest in peace. Amen.

I met a young person recently and spoke about his new found faith. He had many questions and seeking to understand so much about God - there was an evident thirst for spiritual satisfaction. As we discussed the different questions he raised and the Church's teaching on the subjects it became necessary to say that - on these great questions - the best human minds were only able to grasp something of the mystery. God and His plan - as eternal and perfect - cannot be completely comprehended by our created intellects but only partially. There is always mystery. This coming week we celebrate the memorial of St Bonaventure who was a great theologian of the 13th century - so great that he was named a Doctor of the Church by Pope Sixtus V (meaning that his teaching made a significant contribution to our understanding of revealed truth). He was able to shed some light upon the truth that we (in the words of St Paul) "see in a glass darkly" - we can't understand all things as God does. Bonaventure said: "if you wish to know how these things come about, ask grace, not instruction; desire, not understanding; the groaning of prayer, not diligent reading; the Spouse, not the teacher." Bonaventure was far from anti-intellectual: he saw how we can be consoled by the truth in the sacred science of theology, however, he realised (as the Dominican St Thomas Aquinas did too) that although our knowledge brings us the consolation of a partial appreciation of God's beauty, it is deepened in prayer. All that we accomplish by the use of our own intellects is nothing in comparison to what can be worked through them by the gift of God's grace and the indwelling of the Holy Spirit whom we receive in God's Church. Perhaps there is a question you are currently struggling with; a stumbling block to faith. Maybe it is something less intellectual but more personal - a problem that seems insoluble. These are reminders of our limited nature: we do not know everything and we cannot do everything. The greatest things can only be done with recourse to God's power. Let us resolve to seek His presence more this week.

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## PARISH NEWS

**NEXT SUNDAY - SAY GOODBYE (TO FR MEBRATE) SUNDAY:** Please bring cake next Sunday - for after the 10am Mass - and a contribution to our light lunch - if attending the 12pm. We will say a formal thank-you and goodbye to Fr Mebrate in the Hall after both Masses.

**FILMING IN CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY:** Next Sunday a videographer - who is making a video for our website - will be filming during and after Masses. Please [email us](#) if you do not wish to be in it.

**NEXT SUNDAY IS SEA SUNDAY** and there will be a Second Collection for the charity Stella Maris.

**ART EXHIBITION BY CHRIS CHRISTODOULOU:** TODAY our Hall will host a display of 'Odyssey' themed around personal narratives, dreams and memories. Chris will also show his personal interpretation of the Stations of the Cross in print. Parishioners are welcome to see the works and the exhibit is open to the public from 2pm.

**SAFEGUARDING TRAINING & CONSULTATION:** For those who are yet to complete annual Safeguarding training this year (for roles that require a DBS), our Safeguarding Representative - Anne Rodger - will run a session on **Thursday 17th July at 10:30am**. Please [email us](#) to register. You can contribute to the consultation by the Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency by clicking [here](#).

**ACT NOW TO PROTECT LIFE** at its beginning by opposing the removal of protections for unborn life by clicking [here](#). The vote on Assisted Suicide was passed by a significantly reduced margin - only 23 votes: see Right To Life or click [here](#) to act. Archbishop John's statement can be read by clicking [here](#).

**SPONSOR A SHRUB:** Back in March I consulted re plans for our garden and you'll notice that we've now removed the shrubbery around the entrance. A kind landscape-gardener-parishioner is preparing a list of shrubs you will be able to sponsor that are lower lying so as to allow the light to come into our porch area and not encroach on the pathway. Shrubs will also be listed for our front garden of a similar nature at the base of the East wall of the Church and (once cleared) at the back of the Hall toilets.

**SINGING AT THE 12PM MASS:** We are looking to enhance our 12pm liturgy from September when our organist will be more available and we have someone to lead the singing. We already have a good small troupe of singers. You may have a gift for singing and - if so - do not hide it under a bushel but share it with the parish! If you could join our 12pm Schola please [email us](#) so we can include you.

**HELP A CHILD:** I will be taking children to the [Faith Summer Break](#) and [Faith Summer Session](#) in July / August. Many families are unable to afford this holiday which helps them grow in faith and friendship. Last year we were able to support 9 children with your generosity and I expect more will need help this year. I would be so grateful if you can donate £150 to send one child. Please [email me](#).

**BEACON HEALTH TEAM:** We are very grateful to Beacon. They will be in Brixton Market and outside Healthy Eaters on Saturday 19th July from 12pm until 3:30pm. Dr Charlotte will be there to help.