# Corpus Christi Catholic Church

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#### SUNDAY 8TH MAY 2022

#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	7тн	10:00	Third Week of Easter	Feria	Clare Leonard RIP	
SATURDAY	7тн	18:00	4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER	SOLEMNITY		
SUNDAY	8тн	08:30	4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER	SOLEMNITY	OLEMNITY PRO POPULO	
	8тн	10:00	4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER	SOLEMNITY	Elizabeth Minja	
	8тн	12:00	4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER	SOLEMNITY	Patrick Greevy RIP	
	8тн	18:00	4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER	SOLEMNITY		
MONDAY	9тн	10:00	Fourth Week of Easter	Feria	In honour of the Sacred Heart	
TUESDAY	10тн	10:00	Fourth Week of Easter	Feria	Sr Enrichetta Caccia RIP	
TUESDAY	10тн	19:00	Fourth Week of Easter	Feria	Thanksgiving to St Anthony	
WEDNESDAY	11тн	10:00	Fourth Week of Easter	Feria		
THURSDAY	12тн	10:00	Fourth Week of Easter	Feria	Edith Kate Carpenter	
FRIDAY	13тн	10:00	Fourth Week of Easter	Feria	Sr Astrid Breitj RIP	
FRIDAY	13тн	19:00	Fourth Week of Easter	Feria		
SATURDAY	14тн	10:00	St Matthias	Feast	In honour of Our Lady	

#### Adoration: Mon-Fri: 9AM-10AM TUE, Fri: 6PM-7PM

CONFESSIONS: FRI: 6PM-7PM, SAT: 5PM-5:40PM

We pray for Rita English and Nicholas O'Flynn who died recently and we remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time including Douglas McNeill, Lloyd Hoppins, Mary Magro, Philip Murray, Patrick Devine, Francis D'Souza and Jimi Delaney. May they rest in peace. We pray also for all our First Holy Communion children who - from this weekend - will receive the Eucharist for the first time. May it be a time of real blessing.

Enthusiasm is very much the theme of this season of Eastertide within the Church. In our reading of the Acts of the Apostles we hear different stories of the astonishing - miraculous - growth that the early Church experienced. Having encountered Christ in person (or in a mysterious apparition in the case of Paul) the apostles were on fire with the Spirit and motivated to preach to all nations: they dedicated their whole lives to bringing the Gospel to others and saw the fruit of their faith in the others whose lives they touched. The season coincides with the celebration of First Holy Communion for around 60 of our children. The Masses with them are always an uplifting experience for me as it is possible to see - in the innocent acceptance of Jesus that these children demonstrate - a child-like trust that Jesus insisted we were to imitate. So how are we doing on that front? It isn't always easy to stay enthusiastic about our faith particularly when we read press reports of corruption within the Church: the temptation is to become cynical and lethargic. If this is the case with us let us - this weekend - ask for God's grace that we might remember (as our children this weekend will profess their belief in) that we are about to encounter Jesus: our reason for joyful enthusiasm!

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## PARISH NEWS

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE:** Today is Good Shepherd Sunday and the day on which we are asked to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. We are blessed to have 6 men in formation to the Priesthood for our Archdiocese. It costs £30,000 a year to sponsor each seminarian. They study for 6 years before being ordained a Catholic priest and we will have a retiring collection to support their formation.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY VINTAGE AND CAKE FAIR:** <u>This Sunday</u> the St Vincent de Paul Society of our parish will be running a fair after all Masses in the Hall where you can browse quality vintage clothing, houseware, fashion accessories and purchase some mouth-watering cakes. All proceeds go to support the work of the society assisting the most needy within our parish.

**SAVE THE DATE - SUMMER FAIR 2022 -** <u>SATURDAY 9TH JULY 2022</u>: We are making plans to gather for the first Parish Summer Fair in three years! It has been such a long time since we have had a major parish event and we hope it will be a great success. This depends upon the efforts of so many and we are in real need of assistance. Please could you fill in our online form indicating what kind of support you would be willing to provide. Let us pray for the success of our Summer Fair.

**THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC?** We have just had the joy of welcoming new members into God's family through Baptism and Confirmation. The programme of preparation involves weekly sessions of learning and discussion from Autumn to Easter. If you are - or know of someone who is - interested in becoming a Catholic, please fill out this online form. We will be in touch after Easter.

**THE LEGION OF MARY ANNUAL RETREAT TO AYLESFORD PRIORY:** will take place on Saturday 14th May 2022. The coach will leave Brixton Water Lane at 9:00am and return around 6:00pm. It costs £13 per person. To book your place please contact Mary Boakye (07950496841) or Joseph at the Repository.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** The Mass is the most powerful prayer on earth since it is prayed by Jesus Himself as He offers Himself up on our behalf to the Father. Each Mass is traditionally offered by the priest for a particular intention and - you will notice from this Newsletter - that intentions are recorded in print. It is possible to arrange for a Mass to be said for a particular intention (<u>for someone who has died</u>). To do this you can take an envelope from the Church porch in which it is customary to place a donation which forms a significant part of a priest's annual income. <u>Mass cards can be purchased from the parish office which you can send to relatives who are in mourning.</u>

**CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE MASS -** <u>SAT. 9TH JULY</u> - AT ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL: If you are celebrating a significant wedding anniversary this year Archbishop John would like you to join him for Mass. Please request a personal invitation by 31st May via <u>mfls@rcaos.org.uk</u>. As the title of your email, please write your parish location, and give us your names in the format John and Mary Smith, your home address and the anniversary you are celebrating.

**CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS:** There will be a 50's style Tea Party and entertainments taking place on **Thursday 9th June from 11:30am to 12:30pm** at Corpus Christi Primary School in celebration of the School's Jubilee year. All Seniors are warmly invited to attend.