

# Corpus Christi Catholic Church

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**20TH, 25TH, 27TH DEC / 3RD JAN FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT, CHRISTMAS, HOLY FAMILY**

## FORTHCOMING MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	19TH	10:00	The Blessed Virgin Mary	<i>Memorial</i>	Otis John Bellamy
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>19TH</b>	<b>18:00</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	In Honour of Our Lady
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>20th</b>	<b>08:30</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	Theresa Anne Knowles
		<b>10:00</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	Pro Populo
		<b>12:00</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	
MONDAY	21st		NO MASS		
TUESDAY	22nd	09:30	Fourth Week of Advent		Augustine Chioma Eluwa
WEDNESDAY	23rd	09:30	Fourth Week of Advent		Dr & Mrs Fidelis Oguejifor & Family
THURSDAY	24th	09:30	Fourth Week of Advent		William McCorkell RIP
	<b>24th</b>	<b>16:00</b>	<b>Nativity of the Lord Jesus</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	Sr Kathleen O'Brien RIP
		<b>18:00</b>	<b>Nativity of the Lord Jesus</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	In Honour of Our Lady
		<b>21:00</b>	<b>Nativity of the Lord Jesus</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	Pro Populo
FRIDAY	<b>25th</b>	<b>09:00</b>	<b>Nativity of the Lord Jesus</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	
		<b>11:00</b>	<b>Nativity of the Lord Jesus</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	Deceased of Russell Cruise Family
SATURDAY	26th	11:00	St. Stephen	<i>Feast</i>	Frances Bekeny RIP
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>26th</b>	<b>18:00</b>	<b>The Holy Family</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>27TH</b>	<b>08:30</b>	<b>The Holy Family</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	Marianne Goldie RIP
		<b>10:00</b>	<b>The Holy Family</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	Pro Populo
		<b>12:00</b>	<b>The Holy Family</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	
MONDAY	28th		NO MASS		
TUESDAY	29th	11:00	The Holy Innocents	<i>Feast</i>	Teresa Chanje RIP
WEDNESDAY	30th	11:00	Thomas of Canterbury	<i>Feast</i>	Sr Barbara Whitmore RIP
THURSDAY	31st	11:00	Octave of Christmas		Sr Giovanni Cotta RIP
FRIDAY	1st	11:00	Holy Mary Mother of God	<i>Solemnity</i>	Sr Mary Denison RIP

**CONFESSIONS: SATURDAYS: 5-6PM [IN CHURCH HALL]**

**PRIVATE PRAYER: WEDS: 4-6PM, SAT: 4-6PM**



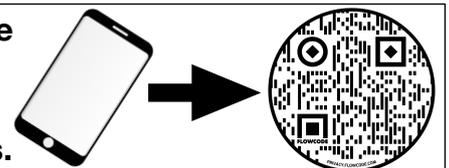
We pray for **Alfred Owusu** and **Jocelyn Horton-James** who died recently. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. As we remember at this time the Holy Family without shelter we pray for all of those who are on our streets this Christmas. We pray for all those who work to help them and give of their time in order to make Christmas a special time of year for others. We pray for all for whom Christmas is particularly challenging and those who face the festive season with uncertainty and anxiety about their future. We ask the Lord whose birth brought peace to the world to let the grace of his birth in Bethlehem be a source of support for all those who are most in need of hearing the message of the angels.

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## PARISH NEWS

**HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL!** I want to take this opportunity to wish all of you and your families a joyful and peaceful celebration of the Christmas season. In what has been a year marked by fear and sadness I want to thank all of you who have contributed towards ensuring others could return to Corpus Christi; to the Eucharistic presence of our Lord Jesus Christ in our Church. Thank you for generously helping us stream to those who are shielding. I will remember you and all your intentions at the altar during our Mass in the Night and please keep praying for me! God bless you!

**EXTRA CONFESSIONS!:** I will be hearing Confessions this coming Wednesday evening from 4pm to 6pm in the Church Hall (socially distanced). Take the opportunity to prepare for the coming of the Lord Jesus by allowing God to cleanse your hearts with His infinite mercy through the sacrament.

**BOOK FOR MASSES!:** It is now possible for you to book yourself or your family a place for all Masses from this weekend to the weekend of 3rd January. For all Mass bookings please click [HERE](#) or go to the page "Mass Bookings" on our website.

**HELP THE SVP:** Our St Vincent de Paul society are currently helping a young victim of domestic violence who has to re-locate with a six-month-old child and is in need of the following items: Sofa, microwave, kettle, toaster, two-seater dining set, chest of drawers, nightstand, nightstand light, high chair, chest of drawers and laundry drying rack. If you can provide any of these items please contact Sybil on 07429653434 or [smbheart@hotmail.com](mailto:smbheart@hotmail.com) to make arrangements for collection.

**CHRISTMAS OFFERING 2020:** In light of projected Mass attendance being comparatively low this year, the Archbishop has asked that all parish monies received between Christmas Eve and the feast of the Epiphany form part of the Christmas Offering. The Christmas Offering is the largest part of a priest's annual income and I am very grateful to all of you for whatever you are able to give at the current time. If you Gift-Aid your donation the tax can be reclaimed to the benefit of the parish.

**SEA SUNDAY:** Seafarers are in the news at present and should be in our prayers as many experience uncertainty over the current negotiations with the EU concerning fishing rights. This is the annual Sea Sunday presented by what used to be called The Apostleship of the Sea but is now known as Stella Maris. Stella Maris exists to provide for the spiritual and practical needs of those whose work involves them being at sea for the majority of their time. There is a [VERY GOOD VIDEO](#) explaining the necessary pastoral work carried out by Stella Maris chaplains and a page where you can [DONATE TO SUPPORT THEIR EFFORTS](#) to ensure those who are vulnerable to difficulties while separated from their families feel the love of the Lord Jesus and experience the presence and concern of others.

**ACT TO PREVENT THE DANGER OF ASSISTED SUICIDE:** There have been many attempts in recent years to legalise physician assisted suicide in our country which have been defeated in parliament. It is vitally important that we Catholics stand up for the most vulnerable by promoting palliative care instead of killing. The organisation Right To Life is asking us to [WRITE TO OUR MPs](#) at this time due to pressure being put upon the Government to consider a change in the law. The danger - as we have seen both in the Netherlands and the state of Oregon - is that a right to die becomes a duty to die irrespective of legal safeguards and the vulnerable feel pressurised. There is a good FAQ [HERE](#) to understand the current legal situation and pro-life position on the matter.

**PRIMARY SCHOOL APPLICATION FORMS:** Thank you for submitting your applications for primary school through the Priests' House letterbox. These will be signed and - for applicants to Corpus Christi Primary School only - delivered directly to the school by Fr Matthew. Parents will be able to collect their signed applications for all other schools on Friday 8th January only between 8am and 7pm from The Priests' House.