

# Corpus Christi Catholic Church

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**SUNDAY 23RD MAY 2021**

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

## THIS WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY	22ND	10:00	St Rita of Cascia	Memorial	Fr Matthew & CC Parishioners
SATURDAY	22ND	18:00	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	Esperance Bawah-Atalia RIP
SUNDAY	23RD	08:30	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	Ct Dressman & Mbs of Morley Stores
		10:00	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	PRO POPULO
		12:00	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b>	<b>Solemnity</b>	Family and friends of Sarah Everard
MONDAY	24TH		NO MASS		
TUESDAY	25TH	10:00	St Bede the Venerable	Memorial	Tony Hendra RIP
WEDNESDAY	26TH	10:00	St Philip Neri	Memorial	Our Lady of Sorrows
THURSDAY	27TH	10:00	Jesus Christ High Priest	Memorial	Rosa Clarisse Agneroh
FRIDAY	28TH	10:00	Feria		Pauline Calvey RIP
SATURDAY	29TH	10:00	Pope St Paul VI	Memorial	Rose Clarisse Agneroh

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

**OUR CHURCH IS OPEN DURING DAYLIGHT HOURS**



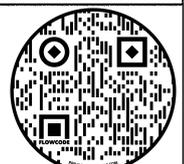
We pray for Patrick Greevy, Cornelius Fleming and all those who have died recently. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. We pray for Francoise Atta who is unwell and remember all who are sick at this time. We pray for all of those working in the media; journalists, TV presenters, producers, camera-operators, lighting and sound engineers. We pray that they will always pursue truth and strive to ensure they report accurately and without political bias, favouritism or ill will.

What a lovely experience to share! I've just returned from being with nursery and year 1 children from Corpus Christi primary school for their annual May-Day Procession. The whole school - over the course of the morning - walked down Trent Road and into our front garden in order to lay flowers at the feet of the beautiful statue of Our Lady. One of the teachers told me that it is her favourite moment of the whole year and I - having experienced it for myself - can see why. It is a very simple yet profound gesture for children to reverence the mother of Jesus: in their innocence and goodness they honour she who was innocent and good throughout her whole life. Observing this as a spectator reminds us both of the Lord's command for us to become like little children and also that - if we are to do so - we need the help and the prayers of our blessed mother, Mary. I shared with the children a short reflection that one of the most important things we know about Mary is that she chose to not be afraid of doing what God wanted her to do. We may - each of us adults - at times be daunted by doing what is right: we may feel it to be very difficult and wonder if we have the strength. If we experience these moments then the best advice is to turn to her. Her prayers are powerful because she is our mother!

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## PARISH NEWS

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CANDIDATES:** Due to the pandemic our candidates have been prepared at home by their parents. I have led parents in several online sessions which concluded on Thursday evening. This weekend our candidates will receive the Sacrament of Confession for the first time in preparation for making their First Holy Communion on Saturdays in June and July. Please keep them and their families in your prayers as they get ready to welcome the Lord Jesus into their lives in this most holy sacrament of the Eucharist.

**OUR CHURCH IS NOW OPEN DURING DAYLIGHT HOURS:** We have been informed by the Archbishop that - in light of the relaxing of restrictions - it is now possible for our Church to be open throughout the day without the need for Stewards to be present. All are asked to sanitise their hands upon entry and exit, wear masks and maintain social distancing. I am really pleased to be able to invite you to visit Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament whenever you wish during the day!

**COMMUNION ON THE TONGUE:** It is now possible for those who wish to receive communion on the tongue to do so. If you wish to receive in this way please remain in your bench until all others have received communion and then approach the priest who - after sanitising his hands - will distribute communion to you in this way. The priest's hands will be sanitised after each communicant receives.

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A CATHOLIC?:** We are busily preparing to provide our full preparatory programmes for the sacraments from September. If you - or someone you know - is interested in exploring the Catholic faith with a view to being received into full communion, please fill in [this form](#) online. If you have already done so there is no need to do so again. Our programme will begin in the Autumn preparing candidates to be received into the Catholic Church next Easter. As with all the other sacramental programmes we are planning at present, notice of how they are to proceed will be published in this Newsletter.

**CALLING OUR ALTAR SERVERS BACK!** It has been a great frustration that our wonderful team of altar servers at all Sunday Masses have had to step down from the Sanctuary during this past year. It is now safe and appropriate for them to make a return to the altar. In order to do this we will be contacting parents about rehearsals to prepare for the return. If you are the parent of an altar server please do register your child's interest in returning by filling out [this form](#) and we will be in touch.

**OFFICE HOURS:** The parish office will be open **Monday - Friday from 10am until 2pm** (excluding school - and bank - holidays). Please do not expect a response outside of these hours.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** It has been wonderful to see the number of Mass Intention requests we receive increase. This does mean, however, that if you would like Mass to be offered for your intention on a particular date (e.g. anniversary) you must request it well in advance. We are only able to book Masses from mid-June onwards. Please be aware of this to avoid disappointment.