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*This parish is part of the WRCDT  
Registered Charity Number 233699*

**WEEKLY GIVING**

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Offertory Loose Plate **£440.24**  
Offertory Envelopes **£130.00**

*Thank you for your continued  
generous support*

**THE LAMPS ARE BURNING FOR:**

**SANCTUARY LAMPS**  
In Reparation for sins  
against the Blessed Sacrament

**LADY CHAPEL**  
David Bodian

*To have the lamps burning for your  
intentions, use an envelope at the back of  
the church or visit the website.*



# CORPUS CHRISTI

## THE DIOCESAN SHRINE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

FEBRUARY - MONTH DEDICATED TO  
THE HOLY FAMILY

**✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – 17<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2019****✠ 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME****SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup>****✠ 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

9.30am Mass  
11.30am Solemn Mass in Latin (OF)

*(Ps. Week – 2)*  
*Sheila Gaeton – RIP*  
*Pro Populo*

**MONDAY 18<sup>TH</sup>****FERIA**

1.05pm Mass  
6.30pm Mass – Extraordinary Form

*John Crowe – RIP*

**TUESDAY 19<sup>TH</sup>****FERIA**

1.05pm Mass

*Ben Gannon – RIP*

**WEDNESDAY 20<sup>TH</sup>****FERIA**

1.05pm Mass

*Dympna & Thomas – Thanksgiving*

**THURSDAY 21<sup>ST</sup>****ST PETER DAMIAN, BISHOP & DOCTOR**

1.05pm Mass

*Welfare of Sally Duffy*

**FRIDAY 22<sup>ND</sup>****THE CHAIR OF ST PETER THE APOSTLE**

1.05pm Mass

*Foundation Mass*

**SATURDAY 23<sup>RD</sup>****ST POLYCARP, BISHOP & MARTYR**

6.00pm Vigil Mass

*Welfare of Chris Greenhalgh*

**SUNDAY 24<sup>TH</sup>****✠ 7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

9.30am Mass  
11.30am Solemn Mass in Latin (OF)

*(Ps. Week – 3)*  
*Sheila Gaeton – RIP*  
*Pro Populo*

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:**

resumes Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February

**SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION:** 30 mins before Mass\*

\* except Tuesdays

**REGULAR PARISH GROUPS:**

**Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament:** First Thursday of the Month, 6:30pm, Mass, Adoration and Benediction with a different guest preacher each month. All welcome!

**Mass in the Extraordinary Form (Missal of 1962):** 6.30pm Mondays & Bank Holidays; 6:30pm Second Friday of the month (Contact Latin Mass Society Tel: 020 7404 7284)

**Eucharistic Prayer Group:** Young Adults Prayer Group each Wednesday 7pm in Church with Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary - Mass first Wednesday of the Month. Contact Annette: ccpguk@gmail.com

**CaAPA** (The Catholic Association for Performing Arts) 020 7240 1221

**St. John Paul II Prayer Group (Fraternity of St. Genesius)** 7.00pm on 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month – Mass, Benediction and Blessing with First Class Relic of Pope St. John Paul II.

**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour** Saturday evening after the Vigil Mass.

### MEDITATION ON THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL

Today the liturgy brings us to "a level place", where Jesus stops with the Twelve and where a crowd of other disciples and people who had come from everywhere gather to listen to him. This is the setting for the proclamation of the "Beatitudes". Jesus, lifting up his eyes to his disciples, says: "Blessed are you poor.... Blessed are you that hunger.... Blessed are you that weep.... Blessed are you when men hate you... when they cast out your name" on account of me. Why does he proclaim them blessed? Because God's justice will ensure that they will be satisfied, gladdened, recompensed for every false accusation in a word, because from this moment he will welcome them into his Kingdom. The Beatitudes are based on the fact that a divine justice exists, which exalts those who have been wrongly humbled and humbles those who have exalted themselves. In fact, the Evangelist Luke, after repeating four times "blessed are you", adds four admonitions: "Woe to you that are rich.... Woe to you that are full now.... Woe to you that laugh now" and: "Woe to you, when all men speak well of you", because as Jesus affirms, the circumstances will be reversed; the last will be first, and the first will be last.

This justice and this Beatitude are realised in the "Kingdom of Heaven", or the "Kingdom of God", which will be fulfilled at the end of times but which is already present in history. Wherever the poor are comforted and admitted to the banquet of life, there God's justice is already manifest. This is the work that the Lord's disciples are called to carry out also in today's society.

### AUNTIE GLENDA WRITES...

*Auntie Glenda was received into the Catholic Church in 1994 and has devoted her retirement since then to reading and writing about the Catholic Faith. She serves as a catechist in her home parish.*

Last week, we thought about getting to the church on time for Mass. But why? When we arrive, we all have things to do.

First of all we need to kneel down and tell the Lord that we have arrived. We thank Him for calling us to the Mass, where we are going to meet with Him, and we ask for His grace, that we might be attentive at the Mass and engage with Him as best we can. And as we kneel there we tell Him what our Intention is for the Mass. You know the Intention of the priest, for it is listed on the Newsletter, and usually announced. But, like you, the priest has a private intention too, and it could be anything at all. A person, a situation, someone sick, dying or dead; anything at all. But God wants to know what you want to tell Him what it is – so that He can join His heart with yours. We may also put the finishing touches to our "confession" – those things we've got wrong since the last time we were at the Mass; so that when that moment arrives, we know what we are offering. And then, either kneeling or sitting quietly, we enter into the silence, prepared and waiting for the celebration of Mass to begin. Have a good week – more next Sunday. God bless you.

*Auntie Glenda*

### THANK YOU

A warm welcome and a big thank you to Fr Chris Thomas, who is covering the weekend Masses this weekend whilst Fr Robinson is away. Fr Thomas is a priest of the Diocese of Nottingham and the General Secretary of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales.

### SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Sodality Mass is at **6.30pm Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March** and our guest preacher will be **John Canon Harvey**, Parish Priest of St. Edmund of Canterbury, Loughton. The confraternity meets on a monthly basis for Mass, Adoration and Benediction, adoring Jesus truly present in the Blessed Sacrament and the Mass is offered for the intentions of members. Leaflets containing application forms are available at the back of the church, or you can join online at [sodality.co.uk](http://sodality.co.uk)

### ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday falls on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March. Mass will be offered at 8am (Extraordinary Form), 12:05pm, 1:05pm and 6:30pm (Sung Mass). Join us as we begin the holy season of Lent.

### HEARING AID LOOP SYSTEM

If you use a hearing aid, please switch it to "T" when you're at Mass. You should hear things much more clearly.

### PLANNING AHEAD

In 2019 the Solemnity of Corpus Christi will be celebrated on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June (EF) and Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June (OF). The Extraordinary Form Mass on Thursday will commence the Forty Hour Devotion. This will end on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> at 12noon. The Solemn Mass on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11.00am will end with a Procession of the Blessed Sacrament in Covent Garden and Benediction on return to the church. There are plans in place – but we will let you have more detail as things are firmed up. But please put **20<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2019** in your diaries.

### PLEASE HELP US

I encourage all of you who give regularly to this parish to help us: by using a box of **Weekly Offertory Envelopes** available from the Presbytery and, if you pay income tax in this country, by completing a Gift Aid form. If you only come here occasionally, you could use one of the blue Gift Aid envelopes that you can find in the pews. You can, of course, make a regular donation to the parish via a Bank Standing Order, and these gifts can be Gift Aided too. Every £1 that is Gift Aided raises a further 25p for the parish – **at no extra cost to you**. Please do consider making your offering in this way. Thank you!

### SEVEN DAY LAMPS

Seven Day Lamps are available from the Presbytery for £5 or after Sunday Masses. You can also have the Sanctuary Lamps burning for a particular intention of yours. Envelopes are at the back of the church.

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2019

If you'd like us to offer a Mass for an intention on a particular day, please... don't leave it until the last minute!

### PAYING FOR VOTIVE CANDLES

The votive candles in the church are not free: they cost **25p**.

### Our sick parishioners and friends

Collette Nevens, Peter Noakes, Tony Pearce, Mgr Frederik Miles, Francis Bodis, David Jordan, Bill Tomlinson, Christopher Browne, Margaret Griffith, Pascal James, Jean Bernard, Brian Keenan, Sid Shepherd, Terry Miles, John Hughes, Warren Peterson, Nicholas Pollock, Jack Ward, Traute Pollock, Noël Tobin, Geoff Smale, David Michael Barrett, Christopher Browne, John Lynch, Peter Georgeson, Colin Folan, Ann Gorman, Janet Seeley, Margaret Hopley DGCHS

**Of your charity – please pray for those who have died recently:** Mgr Edwin Barnes, Fr Adrian Walker, Sheila Gaeton, Jean Teresa Wadsworth, Sebastian Jeans, Maureen Goodey, Mark Gregory Kay, Maria-Stella Ngombe, Bishop Friedrich Ostermann, Fr George Dangerfield, Rosaleen Hunt, Craig, Fr. Michael Durand, Fr Philip Mathias, Jean-Louis Cardinal Tauran, Rosa Silvester, Fr James Minogue, Marie Fe Loreno Ruiz, Fr Patrick Sammon, Dennis Gunn, Bishop Francis