



CORPUS CHRISTI, TRING

4th Sunday of Advent - Page 90 in *The Parish Mass Book*



First Reading – Isaiah 7:10-14 The Lord spoke to Ahaz and said, ‘Ask the Lord your God for a sign for yourself coming either from the depths of Sheol or from the heights above’

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 23:1-6 – Let the Lord enter! He is the king of glory.

Second Reading – Romans 1:1-7 From Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus who has been called to be an apostle. This news is about the Son of God who, according to the human nature he took, was a descendant of David.

The Gospel – Matthew 1:18-24 – ‘Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because she has conceived what is in her by the Holy Spirit. She will give birth to a son and you must name him Jesus, because he is the one who is to save his people from their sins’.

Christmas Mass Times

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| Saturday 24 th December – | 5.00 pm Family Mass 12.00 am Midnight Mass |
| Sunday 25 th December | 10.30 am Christmas Mass |

Mass Intention for December

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| Saturday 17 th | 5.00 pm Philip Rodrigues R.I.P. |
| Confessions are after the 5.00 pm Mass or after the weekday Masses or on request. | |
| Sunday 18 th | 9.00 am People of the Parish 10.30 am Victoria Shorto (Anni) |
| Monday 19 th | 10.00 am No Mass |
| Tuesday 20 th | 10.00 am No Mass |
| Wednesday 21 st | 10.00 am No Mass |
| Friday 23 rd | 6.00 pm People of the Parish |
| Saturday 24 th | 5.00 pm Doug Marsh |
| Sunday 25 th | 9.00 am Thornton Family Int 10.30 am Ena & Frank Sims Teresa & Thomas Garnell |

NB: I will move the Mass intentions the week beginning 19th January, as unfortunately, we do not have Masses in the week until Fr. Sean is back from sick leave.

Update on Fr. Sean

Fr. Sean was discharged from hospital last Sunday the 11th, he is convalescing at his brother Michael's in Kent. Fr. Sean hopes to be back before Christmas.

Fr. Benedict is kindly saying Mass this weekend and over the Christmas weekend. Thank you, Fr. Benedict we love, having you over at Corpus Christi.

Car Park Please drive very carefully tomorrow and Sunday as the carpark is like an ice rink, sadly we were not able to get any salt. It is supposed to get warmer on Sunday and definitely by next week.

Sick List

The Sick and the Housebound in our parish –

We pray especially for: Fr Sean, Winifred Winstone, Elizabeth Le Juge de Segrais, Dhoon Casstles, Patrick Rice, Tracey Hardy, Alison Marshall, Laurence Sherwood, Phyllis Edwards, John Tilcock, Michael Glencross, Nora Proctor, Mary Todd

Anniversaries – Mary Gregory Wendy Hinds & Mary Gray

We pray for all who are recently deceased and their grieving families.

If you wish to add a name to our sick list or the deceased list, please let Annabelle know

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Servers

Please can the Servers let me know which Masses they can Serve over the Christmas weekend.

Sausage Sunday was a great success, thank you Margaret & Paul for cooking & serving excellent coffee, and thank you James for providing absolutely delicious sausages.

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers

I am hoping we can have 2 readers for each Mass over the Christmas weekend. At the back of the Church will be a list, please can you put your name down if you are able to read. On the same list please put your name down if you can be a Eucharistic Minister.

Albert who is 12 will be reading at The Family Mass – thank you Albert for agreeing to read. It would be wonderful if we can have more young people reading in the New Year. Please let me know if you wish to become a reader.

Christmas Tree

The Christmas Tree will be put up this weekend, the thinking this year is that there will be little card decorations in the shape of baubles or stars for people to write a pray, a dedication or a hope and they can be hung on the tree. If you can put a donation in the basket when you have taken a card it will be very much appreciated. The charity this year will be for **the Catholic Children's Society**.

Donations for flowers

Someone will be standing at the back of the church after this weekend Masses, for donations for the flowers to decorate the Church for Christmas. Please give if you can, our Church looks so beautiful when Heather and her team of flower ladies do their magic with their arrangements.

Nativity

Please come and join us in the Church at 6.00 pm on Sunday 18th for the Nativity Play and enjoy the young people perform. A lovely start to Christmas. There will be mince pies and mulled wine after the performance.

Ministries for the weekend of Saturday/Sunday 18th 19th December

Saturday 18th

Reader: David Leadbeater

Eucharistic Minister: Olive Conway

Sunday – 19th

9.00 am – Paul Kelly

Reader:

10.30 am

No Reader

Articles for the Newsletter - Please send any pieces for the Newsletter by Wednesday to tring@rcdow.org.uk

Parish Safeguarding Representatives (PSRs) -

Sue Wright PSR: tringsg2@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

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Church Offerings

If you are a weekly plate giver, would you please consider setting up a Standing Order.

Our bank details are as follows. Please do include your name as your reference. Thank you for your continued generosity and support to our parish, it is greatly appreciated.

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Standing Order Forms are at the back of the Church, if setting one up please remember to tick the Gift Aid box.



Children's liturgy

Children's liturgy will be held in the hall during the Sunday 9 am Mass. The children listen to a reading, have a discussion and do a related craft activity. We go from the church to the hall before the start of mass and return for the offertory. Suitable for ages up to eight years old. Thank you, Ide Powell.

Mass Intentions

If you would like to book a Mass intention, please call the parish, e-mail, or see Annabelle. The Diocesan suggested offering is £10. Many thanks.

Mass envelopes are at the back of the church, please make sure your phone number is on the envelope. Many thanks.

Volunteer recruitment

In 2023, Volunteer recruitment could help your parish:

- To give parishioners the opportunity to give back and to cultivate a sense of purpose.
- To build on diversity, inclusion and belonging in parishes
- To help more people access the Eucharist
- To welcome visitors and new arrivals
- To reach out to those who feel disengaged or left out

Sign up to our event, on **Thursday 26th January 2023, 11:30 - 12:30 (online)** organised by Caritas Volunteer Service as a guide to help parishes with their volunteer recruitment and engagement.

Find out more here:

<https://www.caritaswestminster.org.uk/recruiting-parish-volunteers-in-2023-1445.php>