



CORPUS CHRISTI, TRING

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Page 133 - Date 4th & 5th February

Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday are Lord reminds us how important Faith is, which is lived through our good works. This Gospel always reminds me of the ongoing disagreement with the Protestant Reform Churches who say that "we are saved by Faith alone". However, we in the Church believe that we are saved by Faith and Good works, our Devotional and Spiritual life being so important. This includes not just fulfilling our Sunday obligation attending Mass but also our private spiritual lives and each person expresses their love for God spiritually in different ways. It might be that you Pray the Divine Office, say the Rosary, spend time in Silent Prayer and Meditation, Devotion to the Saints, Novenas etc.

These wonderful spiritual aids which draw us closer into the Life of the Trinity must affect the way we live our lives and treat others. It's no good being seen Sunday after Sunday on our knees at Mass saying our prayers, when as soon as we leave the Church we open our mouths in vicious gossip. It never ceases to amaze me that some people think they are so close to God because they go to Mass on a Sunday, however, for the rest of the week destroy the character and reputation of their neighbour spreading malicious gossip even if it's true. This is not living by Faith and Good Works.

Our prayer life should help to transform our daily lives, it should help us to change our attitude towards people. The way we speak and treat others reflects our relationship with God. On that wonderful day when we stand before our Loving Father, I don't believe he is going to ask us how many times we went to Mass. (Which of course is essential for us Catholics), or how many Rosaries we have prayed. He will ask us; "did we lead lives of love", lives in which we were merciful and considerate towards others, thoughtful and charitable. People who not only prayed for the poor and the starving but did something about it. We believe that prayer and good works, love of God and love of our neighbour are inseparable and go hand in hand, each are vitality important, one reflects our love of God and the other reflects that we are all sons and daughters of God and brothers and sisters. Of course, we don't always live up to this law of love given to us by Christ and that is why in his wisdom and mercy he gave us the sacrament of Confession. God Bless, Fr. Sean

Mosaic - At the back of the Church you will hopefully see a Mosaic of Christ holding a Chalice, this mosaic came into my possession some years ago and I thought it might be rather nice given that our beautiful church is in the Romanesque Style if I gave it to the parish in memory of all the deceased parish priests. I hope when you see this Mosaic you might remember the men who were privileged to spend time with you as your Parish Priest and most importantly you say a prayer for the repose of their souls.

I took the Mosaic to Adrian who owns Picture Box in Tring high street, where I am sure some of you have had pictures framed, and he very kindly framed the Mosaic for a fraction of what he could have charged us. Can I ask a favour of you, when you are next passing his shop would you pop your head in and thank Adrian for the lovely job he has done.

Mass Intentions - February:

Saturday 4 th	5.00 pm	Amanda Findlow Anni
Sunday 5 th	9.00 am	Salvatore Iannone Anni
	10.30 am	Dudley Vincent R.I.P.
Monday 6 th	10.00 am	
Tuesday 7 th	10.00 am	Iris Parsons Anni
Wednesday 8 th	10.00 am	Richard Fisher R.I.P.
Friday 10 th	3.00 pm	Wedding
	6.00 pm	Private Intention
Saturday 11 th	5.00 pm	Mary Todd Int.
Sunday 12 th	9.00 am	Maurice McGrath For His Soul
	10.30 am	Kathleen Moynihan Anni

Monday 6th Feb, Tuesday 20th – 10.00 am - Friday 24th 6.00 pm
Mass & Sunday 26th 9.00 am Mass. These Mass times are available if you require to have a Mass said.

Sick List

The Sick and the Housebound in our parish -

We pray especially for: Winifred Winstone, Elizabeth Le Juge de Segrais, Dhoon Casstells, Patrick Rice, Alison Marshall, Laurence Sherwood, Phyllis Edwards, Michael Glencross, Alice Perry, Paul Donnelly & Andrew Reilly

Anniversaries

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

Help Needed.

There is going to be a Wedding on February 10th at 3.00 o'clock, I will need some help please. We will need a couple ushers and a couple of people to welcome the guests.

Please can you let me know if you can help on the day. I will set up for the Wedding in the morning.

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The Hall

Thank you to Lina for making the curtains in the Hall, Lina used the curtains that were at the back of the Altar.

Lina also spent a good couple of hours hanging them up with some help from Gerry.

They look wonderful and have brightened up the hall.

Coffee Morning:

Thank you, Mary Walsh, for organising the coffee morning on Wednesday 1st after the 10.00 am Mass. It was a lovely gathering and we had our coffee in the warmth in the Sacristy. Good to see you Dhoon. The next Coffee Morning will be on March 1st after the 10.00 am Mass, please try and come along.

Cozy Corner:

Thank you to Bernie for setting up the Cozy Corner in the Hall, and for Tricia donating the mat. There are loads of books that can either be borrowed or exchanged, please have a look when you are next in the Hall.

Children's liturgy will be held in the hall during the Sunday 9 am Mass.

The children enjoy listening to a reading, having a discussion and doing a related art or craft activity. We follow the Liturgy of the word for children which is age-appropriate and engaging. We go from the church to the hall the beginning of mass and return for the offertory. Suitable for all ages up to eight years old.

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 Children's Liturgy of the Word



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.

Ministries for the weekend of Saturday/Sunday

Saturday

Reader: C. Pennicott

Eucharistic Minister: O. Conway

Sunday

9.00 am:

Reader: S. Wright

Eucharistic Minister:

10.30 am: Anderson

Reader

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.

Dates for your Diary:

22nd February Ash Wednesday: 10.00 am & 7.30 pm Masses

Sunday 12th Sausage Sunday – February after the 9.00 am and 10.30 am Masses.

Wednesday March 1st – Coffee & Biscuits after the 10.00 am Mass

Saturday April 1st – Cleaning the Church in preparation for Easter Sunday - 10.00 am to 12 Noon.

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

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