

# CORPUS CHRISTI, TRING

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent -Page 164 in the Parish Mass Book – First Reading – 1 Samuel 16-16-7,10.13 Responsorial Psalm -Psalm 22, Second Reading Ephesians 5 8:14, Gospel John 9: 1:41

The prayer of faith will save the sick person and the Lord will raise him up again; and if he committed any sins, he will be forgiven – James 5:15

#### **Dear Parishioners**

The Lord has given us 2 Sacraments which bring Healing and Forgiveness into our lives and sadly these 2 Sacraments are very much under used by Catholics today. If you know of someone who is sick or with a long going illness or disability or someone preparing for an operation in hospital please have no hesitation in asking me to visit them. If one of relations or friends is seriously ill and facing death please <u>Call me</u> <u>immediately in this situation</u>.

Two weeks ago, I was called out by Kieran Tucker's daughter to his bedside where I said the prayers for the dead and the departing soul. I have always found this brings great comfort to the dying or deceased's person's families.

Someone once said that life is not to live, but to be well. In our scientific age, with all of its modern advances in medicine, this advice makes sense. It makes even more sense to the person sick in body, mind or spirit. To live means to be well. With mental and spiritual health in mind, the Christian might even add, "To live means to be good."

Sometime we are not good, though. We sin. Our spiritual health suffers. We become alienated from God, others and ourselves. At other times we are not physically well. Our bodies are sick with disease, the aches and pains of old age, the inevitable decline toward death.

Our Lord Jesus has left with us two powerful signs of his love. He knows both our spiritual and physical sickness, and he had come to restore us to health. He is the Divine Physician.

"It is not those that are well who need the doctor, but the sick. I have come to call not the upright but sinners to repentance" (Lk 5:31-32)

It has been brought to my attention that the Saturday evening Mass is becoming too noisy for those who are trying to say their prayers before Mass, it's great that people arrive early but if we are talking to our neighbour but not God we are distracting fellow parishioners from their prayers. This must cease, one of the reasons I have introduced the Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament is because of this. Your corporation is greatly appreciated.

God Bless You All – Fr. Sean.

Mass Intentions - March		<u>Síck Líst</u>
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	5.00 pm Rocco Adamis RIP	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
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 am Cathy Wehrle RIP	Sherwood, Phyllis Edwards, Michael Glencross, Alice Perry, Paul
	10.30 am Gerald Ellicott RIP	Donnelly, Andrew Reilly, Matthew Fernandez,
		Colin & Kathleen Humphreys, Margaret Tucker
20 <sup>th</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup> Fr. Sean is on part of his annual holiday – He will be back to		<u>Anniversaries</u>
say Mass at 6.00 pm and Stations of the Cross afterwards.		We pray for all who are recently deceased and their grieving
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 pm	families. Kieran Tucker & Alice Perry
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	5.00 pm James Browne RIP 9.00 am 10.30 am	If you wish to add a name to our sick list or the deceased list, please let Annabelle know

#### For your Information

Fr. Sean's landline number is: 01442 505930

There will be Exposition of The Holy Sacrament at 4.00 and Confessions at 4.15 from this Saturday going forward. Special invitation to the Extraordinary Minsters of Holy Communion.

Confession: This will be on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> of March between 6.30 pm and 7.30 pm and will be heard by Fr. Michael O'Boy & Fr Benedict Baka – Fr Sean will be saying the Mass and the Stations of the Cross.

#### Holy Week: & Easter Triduum:

2<sup>nd</sup> April – Mass times: 9.00 am and 10.30 am 6<sup>th</sup> April – Mundy Thursday – 7.30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Watching at the Altar of Repose till 10.00 pm 7<sup>th</sup> April – Good Friday – 10.00 am Stations of The Cross, 11.00 Walk of Witness & 3.00 pm The Celebration of The Passion of the Lord. 8<sup>th</sup> April – First Mass of Easter – 8.00 pm 9<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Sunday – 9.00 am & 10.30 am. Parish Priest – Fr Sean Thornton:<u>Seanthornton@rcdow.org.uk</u> Administrator: Annabelle Halliday: <u>tring@rcdow.org.uk</u> Office Hours: 9.00 am – 12.00 Noon – Mon, Wed &

Fri 9am – 1.00 pm

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# Ministries for the weekend of Saturday/Sunday

<u>18<sup>th</sup> March</u> <u>Saturday</u> Reader: Mary Miles Eucharistic Minister: Olive Conway

19<sup>th</sup> March <u>Sunday</u> 9.00 am Reader: Paul Kelly Eucharistic Minister:

10.30 am Reader: Anderson – Natalie or Neil Eucharistic Minister

**Deamery Lunch**: was attended by Fr. Anthony Dwyer, Fr. Dominic, Fr. Joseph, Fr. Sean.

<u>Churches Together Lenter Lunch</u>: Thank you to all the ladies who helped set and serve the soup for the lunch. We had a good many people from the different churches attend. Fr. Sean and Rev Jane Banister had also joined us for Lunch.

### The Sew & Natter Craft Group:

The first meeting of this Group will be held on Saturday  $25^{th}$  March at 2.00 pm to 4.30 pm in Corpus Christi Hall.

Come along and learn how to sew or to improve your skills. Or bring along a sewing project you are doing at home.

Equipment and fabrics are provided. Tea/Coffee and homemade scones too.

<u>Lenter Prayer Groups</u>: These take place on Tuesday in the Sacristy at 8.00 pm – 9.00 pm also available on Zoom, e-mail margaret.donnelly@hotmail.co.uk or call her on 07767770505 if you would like

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<u>Wednesday evening https://www.sycamore.fm/videos/session-7-the-gift-of-faith/</u> Fr. Sean is away this Wednesday, please look at this week's series on line.

## Parish Safeguarding Representatives (PSRs) -

Sue Wright PSR: tringsg2@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

Heather Houston PSR: tringsg1@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

## 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.



# <u>Chíldren's líturgy</u>

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.

# <u>Good Fríday Walk of Wítness.</u>

Marshals are needed for the walk of witness on Good Friday morning when we walk with friends from the Tring Churches. Paul Wright from Corpus Christi church is organising this and needs lots of help for it to go ahead safely. Full instructions will be given. Please contact him at <u>paulgwright@hotmail.com</u> as soon as possible. Thanks

## The dates below are free for a Mass Intention

<u>Fríday 24<sup>th</sup> 6.00 pm, Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March - 9.00 am & 10.30 am, Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 10.00 am & Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 10.00 am</u>

No Mass on Tuesday 28th March.

<u>Articles for the Newsletter -</u> Please send any pieces for the Newsletter by Wednesday to <u>tring@rcdow.org.uk</u> <u>Corpus Christi Church Tring, Langdon Street, HP23 6BA</u> office <u>Tel: 01442 823161 e-mail: tring@rcdow.org.uk – Fr. Sean's 01442 505930</u>