

CORPUS CHRISTI, TRING.

Second Sunday of Lent – Page 155 in the Parish Mass Books – 4th/5th March 2023 First Reading Genesis 12:1-4, Responsorial Psalm, Psalm 32:4-5, 18-20,22, Second Reading 2 Timothy 1:8-10, Gospel Matthew 17:1-9

Dear Parishioners,

In today's Gospel we hear about the Transfiguration of Our Blessed Lord, the Transfiguration gave the chosen Disciples a glimpse of who Jesus really is. He wished to give them strength and courage for the events soon to take place on Calvary. Although they had seen his miracles and wonders, our Lord gave them a vision of his Divinity. Suddenly on Mount Tabor our Lord's clothes became dazzlingly white and they saw him speaking to two of the great Old Testament Prophets, men who had foretold His coming as the Son of God and Messiah. Jesus is seen therefore as the fulfilment of the Old Testament, all that the Prophets have said about him was true. To confirm in their hearts that Jesus was no ordinary man the voice of the Heavenly Farther was heard coming from a cloud, "This is my Son the Beloved listen to Him". The Disciples were so enraptured by what they saw and heard that they wished to prolong the meeting of Christ and the Prophets, so much so that one of them wished to erect three tents for them to stay in.

Our Lord knew that they would remember what they had seen and had heard after his Crucifixion and Death, every time we come to Mass if we are able to and in the state of grace, we see that vision of Christ's Divinity which in this life is veiled, but which we will see clearly in the next life. For in Holy Communion we receive into ourselves the same Transfigured Christ the Disciples saw, his Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. Like the Disciples we have the opportunity at Mass to worship Christ our Lord and that is why after he has spoken the words of Consecration the Priest elevates or shows the Host which has become Christ's Sacred Body to the people so we can adore him. Let us never forget who and what we receive in Holy Communion, no a wafer or piece of bread but God himself in the person of Christ.

We teach in the Catholic Church what Christ passed on to his Disciples, that the Bread is His Body and the Wine His Blood not a re-enactment of the Last Supper. I think that we are very privileged in this Parish that the title of our Church is Corpus Christi, for we are reminded of this wonderful belief.

God Bless You All

Fr. Sean.

<u>Mass Intentions – March</u>			<u>Síck Líst</u> The Síck 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, Paul Donnelly,
Saturday 4 th	5.00 pm	Alice & Reginald Sherratt R.I.P.	Andrew Reilly, Matthew Fernandez
Sunday 5 th	9.00 am 10.30 am	Nora Procter R.I.P. All the Holy Souls	<u>Anniversaries</u> We pray for all who are recently deceased and their grieving families, especially Alice Perry recently deceased.
Monday 6 th	10.00 am	Charlotte Anderson Int.	
Tuesday 7th	10.00 am		If you wish to add a name to our sick list or the deceased list, please let Annabelle know
Wednesday 8 th	10.00 am		<u>The date below is free for a Mass Intention - March</u>
Friday 10 th	6.00 pm	Anderson Family Int	
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Saturday 11 th	5.00 pm	Dominic Tucker R.I.P.	Wednesday 8 th
			Monday 13 th
Sunday 12 th	9.00 am	Mary Langley R.I.P.	Wednesday 15 th
	10.30 am	Aoife Dungan Anni.	Friday 17 th
			Saturday 18 th
Confessions at 4.15 pm before the 5.00 pm Mass and on request			

<u>Summary of Year Ending 31st December 2022 – A very short summary will be on</u> <u>a separate sheet with the Newsletter.</u>

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Ministries for the weekend of Saturday/Sunday

<u>Saturday 4th March</u> Reader: M Miles Eucharistic Minister: J Brown

<u>Sunday 5th March</u> 9.00 am Reader: G Maloney Eucharistic Minister:

10.30 am Reader: Anderson Eucharistic Minister

Deanery Lunch- We are hosting the Deanery Meeting & Lunch on Tuesday 14th, I will need a couple of people to help me with setting up and serving coffee and tea around 10.30 am. Please let me know if you can help.

<u>Tuesday 7th during Lent</u>-Evening Lenten Prayer Group- 8.00 pm – 9.00 pm. If anyone is interested in attending in person or via Zoom please e-mail <u>margaret.donnelly@hotmail.co.uk</u> or call her on 07767770505. I want to apologise to Margaret as I thought I had put this on last week's newsletter but it was missed out.

<u>Wednesday Evening during Lent 8th</u> – Fr Sean is going to run the Sycamore Course by Stephen Wang, as it was recommended by one of his priest friends. This will be held in the Sacristy from 7.30 pm to 8.30 pm please let either Fr. Sean or myself if you can join us.

<u>Churches Together Lenten Lunch on the 15^{a_v} at 12.00 Noon to 2.00 pm please join us if you can and put your name down on the list at the back of the Church. We are hosting the lunch in the Hall.</u>

<u>Sunday 12th - Sausage Sunday</u> after the Sunday Masses, please put this down in your diary.

<u>St Patrick's Family Quiz Night 18^{a_v} at 7.30 pm (after the rugby)</u> – Please put your name on the list at the back of the church this weekend if you would like to join us. Please bring your own drink – tickets will be £5.00 per adult & £2.00 per child. We need to work out if we have enough numbers to go ahead with the evening.

Ring – 2 Ring Cameras have been installed in the Church, this is because the Church is now open during the day. There will also be 1 installed in the body of the Church, and 1 outside the main door into the Church and 1 outside the Front door to the office extension.

<u> Parísh Safeguardíng Representatíves (PSRs) –</u>

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.



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.

<u>Mass Intentíons</u>

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 Díary in March

Tuesday 7th 8.00 pm – 9.00 pm Lenten Prayer Group

Wednesday 8th 7.30 – 8.30 Sycamore Course by Stephen Wang with Fr. Sean.

12th Sausage Sunday in the Hall after the 9.00 am & 10.30 Masses

15th Lenten Lunch – we are hosting in the Hall – Soup & Rolls

18th St Patrick's Day Family Quiz Night – 7.30 pm (after the Ireland England Game)

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

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