

Parish of Corpus Christi, Bolton

St John, the Evangelist, Bromley Cross, St Columba's, Tonge Moor
and St Brendan's, Harwood

19 June 2022

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ



One of the great privileges in my life is being an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist. It has brought me into a world that, as a child, I could only gaze at from afar and wonder at the mystery. This ministry has led me into so many people's lives as a visitor to the sick and housebound and I never fail to marvel at the strength of the faith of those I have visited. As a lay Leader of Eucharistic services, I have touched the mystery that is God in the form of bread and been part of a celebration of faith that, even after many years, I always find I enter anew, each time I lead a service. Distributing the Body and Blood at Mass I look into the eyes of those who come forward to receive Our Lord and sense a mystical union between Christ and the communicant that cannot be expressed in mere words. It is truly a sacred moment.

Today we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi, a day on which all Eucharistic Ministers renew their commitment to this awesome service. The Gospel passage is so familiar. It symbolises for me the ongoing mission of Christ; the mission of Jesus to the people at that time, and His continuing mission among us today. He begins by welcoming the crowd and then talking to them and healing those who are needy. He then looks beyond his mission to consider the welfare of those who have come to this spot, this hillside, far from the nearest town. He organises the apostles so that the crowd can be fed; He finds that a small, insignificant child is the most important person on the hillside, for he has the loaves and fishes. He then blesses the food, and it is given to the crowd whose hunger is satisfied.

Can you see the resemblance to our Mass? We are welcomed into our church, we are healed, and Jesus speaks to us in the scriptures and then feeds us with his body and blood in the Eucharist. Each time we come to the Eucharist we are that small insignificant child and, each time, the power of God raises us higher than we can ever imagine.

*Will you be as Christ to me, will you help me
when I fall,
Will you answer when I call, will you be as Christ
to me?
Can I be as Christ to you, can I make your day
worthwhile,
Lift your sorrow with a smile, can I be as Christ to
you. David Frank*

Masses & Activities this Week

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Sunday 19 June

9.30am Mass (SJ)

11am Mass (SB)

A Special Collection for Day for Life

Monday 20 June

No Mass Today

Tuesday 21 June - St Aloysius Gonzaga

9.30am Mass (Holy Infant's)

Wednesday 22 June - Ss John Fisher & Thomas

More

9.30am Mass (Holy Infant's)

Thursday 23 June - The Nativity of St John the Baptist

9.30am Mass (SB)

4.30pm Baptism (SJ)

6pm First Communion Mass for St John's Yr3 (SJ)

6.30pm Confirmations at Thornleigh School

Friday 24 June - The Sacred Heart of Jesus (No Abstinence)

10am Mass for the Sacred Heart (SJ)

Saturday 25 June - Immaculate Heart of Mary

11am Exposition & Adoration (SJ)

11.30am Mass (SJ)

1pm Baptism (SB)

5pm Mass (SB)

A Special Collection

Sunday 26 June

9.30am Mass (SJ)

11am Mass (SB)

For Peter's Pence

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We pray for all the sick and housebound in our parish, and other relatives and friends: Jackie Harte, Moya Fau-Goodwin, Anne Killeen, Fred & Joyce Heywood, Emily Martin, Pat Margiotta, Frances Skemp, Kathleen Banks, Penelope Booth (poorly infant), Colin Markland, Joan & Edwin Rankin, Philip Anderson, Vincent Hopkinson, Irene Clappison, Dorothy Killoran, Frank & Pat McDowell, Richard Crichton, Josephine Ward, Lily Joyce, Wynn & Michael Latham

Lately Dead: Jacky Citarella, Eddie Loughran, Gerard Loughran, Sr Margaret Quayle, Mary Holland, Les Gaidy, Agnes Maguire

Anniversaries: Denis O'Toole

May They Rest in Peace

Mass Intentions: Agnes Maguire, Jacky Citarella, Eddie Loughran, Gerard Loughran, Sr Margaret Quayle, Denis O'Toole, A sick person

During Ordinary Time (Summer); we pray for:

A deeper understanding between Christians and Jews; those who suffer persecution, oppression and the denial of human rights, Europe, Seafarers, Human Life.

As we celebrate Father's Day, we pray for all fathers who are expecting a child. That they would find peace in their changing circumstance, and would be a source of support for the child's mother as they prepare for their child to enter the world. Lord hear us

At this present time, we pray for peace and an end to the conflict in Ukraine Holy Michael the Archangel, defend us in this day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil, and do thou prince of the Heavenly Host by the Power of God thrust down to Hell Satan and all wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of soul. Amen.

Hope In The Future: We pray for the people of the parish of St Mary, Heaton Norris, and for Fr Geoffrey Marlor, their parish priest. We pray for their parish primary school, St Anne's High School, and for the Sacred Heart Fathers. May they always draw life and strength from the Eucharist.

Offertory: We are always extremely grateful for all you do to help us financially. Thank you

Cheques: Please make all cheques payable to **Corpus Christi**. Thank you

Prayer Resource - For those at home the best resource for Sunday worship at home is through the **Universalis website**

(<https://universalis.com/mass.htm>)

Happy Father's Day!



Wishing all Fathers a lovely day. Let us pray that the Lord will watch over and support all Fathers today and always, living or deceased.

Christian Meditation 7.30pm: The last date for June is:

Thursday 30th at St Brendan's

NB: The 21st June Meditation has been cancelled.

July dates are as follows:

Tuesday 5th at St John's

Thursday 14th at St Brendan's

Tuesday 19th at St John's

Thursday 28th at St Brendan's.

There will then be a break for August and resume in September.

Day for Life: Is the day in our calendar set aside to celebrate life from conception to natural death. This year the focus is on caring for and valuing the elderly. For more information and support initiatives which work to uphold the dignity of every human life, from conception to natural death, please visit

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/dfl22>

Urban Outreach - Bolton Lunches: The summer holidays are almost upon us - once again we are looking for an army of volunteers to help us make sandwiches and to make up packs for *Bolton Lunches 2022*.

Please see the poster (in each church) which gives you details of dates, times, and venue. If you are able to help out for a day, set days per week, a whole week or the whole 6-week period please email Jeanette on admin@urbanoutreach.co.uk advising when you can help.

This year we are also needing volunteers at 3 of our distribution centres, to ensure that lunches can be distributed in those areas and to reach as many children as possible. These centres being:

Farnworth Library, Market Street, Farnworth BL4 7PG

High Street Library, Daubhill BL3 6SZ

Brightmet Library, Brightmet Health Centre, Brightmet Fold Lane, Brightmet BL2 6NT

We are looking for 2 volunteers, for each of the 3 venues, each day. If this appeals to you, please let us know, again by emailing Jeanette at admin@urbanoutreach.co.uk advising which days/ weeks you are available and which venue(s) you could volunteer at. *Thank you*

Congratulations: To George Patrick William Sarsfield who was baptised last weekend. We pray that both he and his family continue to grow in faith.

SVP Events

SVP Coffee Mornings: The next date is Wednesday 29 June. All most welcome.

Annual Sponsored Walk: Takes place next Sunday (26 June) to raise funds to provide support for individuals and families in need at Christmas time. A donation will also be made from the proceeds to the Caritas Ukraine appeal for displaced families.

If you would like to join us on the walk, then please contact an SVP member for a sponsorship form.

You can sponsor an SVP member (who will be available after each Sunday Mass) or via the online just giving app: www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/svp-walk-2022

Afternoon Tea (with Benediction): Sunday 3 July (2.30pm) for our housebound and elderly at St John's church. There is a list in each church for names of people who wish to attend. If you would like transport, please state on the form. Thank you

Savio House, Macclesfield: Is recruiting Retreat Team Volunteers to join the community in early September to work through until July. They can come directly from 6th form or from graduation, but anyone 18+ will be considered. Volunteers will need to have enthusiasm to work with young people, good listening skills, as well as a broad Christian background and a sympathetic approach to the catholic tradition. They will receive training in first aid, food handling, health and safety, safeguarding, and youth work skills, among many others. They will also work with a supervisor to monitor progress and reflect on their learning. It is an excellent interim step to work with young people in schools, in youth work or social work. It is also a fast track to maturity and spiritual growth.

As it is a voluntary role, successful candidates will live within our religious community and will receive free accommodation and food which will be provided by our organisations. A weekly allowance of £50 will be provided to each successful candidate.

Closing date for applications: 31 July 2022

If you're interested in becoming a volunteer at Savio House, then please download an application form from

<https://www.saviohouse.org.uk/volunteering>

Summer 2022 Courses at The Christian Heritage Centre, Stonyhurst

Catholicism & Contemporary Culture, 4 - 7 August. Explore the themes of truth, sacramentality and the symbolic in Catholicism and the challenges from contemporary culture. The second in our Faith & Reason series, this course offers a practical approach to fundamental themes of the Catholic faith. Of particular interest to senior leaders, teachers and catechist seeking a deeper knowledge of the Catholic vision in today's world. <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/faith-and-reason-2/>

The Search for Happiness, 26 - 29 August. Explore the four pillars of the good life - the Cardinal virtues - and how they structure our search for happiness, through the philosophy and theology of St Thomas Aquinas. In partnership with CEPHAS, this course offers a fascinating engagement with this foundational theme for the Christian life through the thought of the Church's greatest theologian.

<https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/the-search-for-happiness/>

Certificate in Pastoral Ministry - Information Evening: Are you involved in ministry in your parish or deanery? Or perhaps you would like to be but don't feel you have the skills? In any case, the Certificate in Pastoral Ministry could be just what you need. To find out more, please join us for an online information evening on Wednesday 22 June (7.30pm - 9.00pm). To register your interest and receive the link, please email formation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

Caritas' Bishop's Fund: As the cost-of-living increases continue to force families and individuals into making difficult choices, please do not forget that the Caritas Bishop's Fund is available for one off crisis grants for people in need. For further information and to apply, please go to

<https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/news/caritas-bishops-fund/>

Join us for World Youth Day 2023: Next year our diocesan Youth Ministry Team travels to Lisbon for *World Youth Day*. Taking place between 31 July - 7 August, World Youth Day will see young people from across the globe meeting in Lisbon to celebrate Mass with the Holy Father. Applications to join our diocesan trip are now open. You can find out more and apply by visiting <https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/youth/how-to-get-involved/>

Caritas Job Vacancy

Advocacy, Policy & Research Coordinator
Appointment Type: Full-time, 37.5 hours per week, with the opportunity to work flexibly.
Location: Caritas House, M4
Salary: £33,241-36,863
Closing Date: 10am on Thursday 7th July 2022
 To find out more and apply, please visit www.caritassalford.org.uk

Thought for the Week....

“If faith is to be strong and healthy, it must be consistently nourished by the Word of God.”

Pope Francis

Readers For (25/26 June 2022)

5pm Vigil (SB)	9.30am (SJ)	11am (SB)
L Lamoury	J O'Connor	K Wilkinson

200 Club Winners June:

£50 M Mariner (58)
 £25 K Edwards (127)
 £15 A Ginns (28)



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