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WEEKLY GIVING

Sunday 18th February 2018

Offertory Loose Plate £786.06
Offertory Envelopes £160.00

*Thank you for your continued
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SANCTUARY LAMPS

Sanctuary Lamps

Marie Taylor x1
Members of the Sodality of the
Blessed Sacrament x6

Lady Chapel

Private Intention



CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH

FEBRUARY – MONTH DEDICATED TO
THE HOLY FAMILY

✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – SUNDAY 25TH FEBRUARY 2018
✠ 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

SUNDAY 25TH

✠ 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

9.30am Mass
11.30am Solemn Mass

(Ps. Week 2)
Private Intention - TB
Pro Populo

MONDAY 26TH

LENT FERIA

1.05pm Mass
6.30pm Mass – Extraordinary Form

The Crowe family – Intentions

TUESDAY 27TH

LENT FERIA

1.05pm Mass

The Harwood Family – ill health

WEDNESDAY 28TH

LENT FERIA

1.05pm Mass

Mrs Yvonne Kirby – RIP

THURSDAY 1ST MARCH

ST. DAVID, BISHOP, PATRON OF WALES

1.05pm Mass
6.30pm Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament

Foundation Mass
Sodality Members

FRIDAY 2ND

LENT FERIA

1.05pm Mass
5.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
6.00pm Stations of the Cross

(Friday Abstinence)

Foundation Mass

SATURDAY 3RD

LENT FERIA

9.00am onwards – Church Cleaning
6.00pm Vigil Mass

Henry Gryko RIP - Anniversary

SUNDAY 4TH

✠ 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

9.30am Mass
11.30am Solemn Mass

(Ps. Week 3)
Mick Ryan RIP
Pro Populo

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION: 30 mins before each Mass, except Tuesdays

REGULAR PARISH GROUPS:

Sodality of the Blessed Sacrament: First Thursday of the Month, 6:30pm, Mass, Adoration and Benediction with a different guest preacher each month. All welcome!

Mass in the Extraordinary Form (Missal of 1962): 6.30pm Mondays & Bank Holidays; 6:30pm Second Friday of the month (Contact Latin Mass Society Tel: 020 7404 7284)

Youth Prayer Group: Young Adults Prayer Group each Wednesday 7pm in Church with Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary - Mass first Wednesday of the Month

CaAPA (The Catholic Association for Performing Arts) 020 7240 1221

St. John Paul II Prayer Group (Fraternity of St. Genesius) 7.00pm on 2nd Thursday of each month – Mass, Benediction and Blessing with First Class Relic of Pope St. John Paul II.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Saturday evening after the Vigil Mass.

LENT – LEADING US TO THE HEART OF THE LORD

During this holy season, full of opportunities, we seek to deepen our faith, and our relationship with the Lord. This Lent, during the Homily at the Sunday Masses, we are looking at the broad theme of RELATIONSHIPS. Today we are thinking about how we grow as a family when we gather round the table and have a meal together. This is a very important moment in family life: it's when we share what has happened during the day and find time to listen to each other or to just be with each other. Of course, I realise lots of people don't do this – many eat on the hoof and at different times. This really is to the detriment of family life.

So let's think about that today, and in relation to our Catholic Family too.

LENT IS HERE – HOW'S IT GOING?

We're heading into the Second Week of Lent. How's it going? Are you reading a **spiritual book**? It's a great way to feed your faith. I have two recommendations for you this week – both of which will take you beyond Lent and into Eastertide. But that doesn't matter – Lent isn't a race! Why not read **Jesus of Nazareth: Holy Week** by Pope Benedict XVI? This will enable you to immerse yourself deeply into the events of Holy Week and the Solemn Triduum. Or the **Life of Christ** by Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, which leads us from the Annunciation to the Ascension and the formation of the Church. Both of these books will teach us a great deal about the Lord we try to love and serve faithfully in our daily life. Are you going to an extra **Mass**, during the day if you can or in the evening? That will make quite an impact on your life. When did you last go to **Confession**? How often do you go? We ALL need this Sacrament. Don't think too much – just get there. You might say the **Stations of the Cross** each Friday, or each day. Come here each Friday: Exposition at 5.00pm – Stations at 6.00pm **from this week – 2ND MARCH**. Do you say the **Rosary**? All of it or part? Lent is a great time to revisit this devotion, which has been the favourite of popes and saints over the centuries. What is your particular **Intention** for Lent? Who or what do you wish to benefit from all of the efforts you make? *Fr Alan Robinson*

THE TRANSFIGURATION

This enlightening glimpse of Christ's future glory—a glory in which they would share—was given to these Apostles to strengthen and encourage them in the terrible test of their faith which the passion and death of Jesus would be for them very soon. It is for a similar reason that the Church orders this story of the Transfiguration to be read to us during this season of Lent. We are mortifying ourselves during this season. This mortification can earn for us a glorious and unending future life. To encourage us to continue it, we are reminded that the One we are following, the One whose voice we listen, is none other than the Son of God. There are the voices of many false prophets shouting around us, telling us to enjoy ourselves in this life, to "eat, sleep, drink and be merry for tomorrow we die," but there is the rub—tomorrow we shall die, but where shall we go then?

SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Mass is **6.30pm on Thursday 1st March**, and the preacher will be **Fr. Sean Thornton**. He is a well-known and much loved priest in the Diocese of Westminster. Following the article in the Catholic Herald last week, another 50 plus people joined the Sodality within 24 hours. Were YOU one of them? goo.gl/vcgvT3 Each month Mass is offered for the intentions of the members. The confraternity meets on a monthly basis for Mass, Adoration and Benediction, adoring Jesus truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. Leaflets containing application forms are available at the back of the church, or you can join online at sodality.co.uk

7 DAY VOTIVE LIGHTS

If you would like to leave a 7 day votive light burning in the church for a particular intention, they are available from the back of the church after each Sunday Mass at £5 each, or from the Presbytery during the week.

THE RESTORATION – IT'S FULL STEAM AHEAD

I know the church looks a little like a building site – but a great deal is happening. The work on **the floor** moves ahead on Monday, when we begin laying the marble floor in the sanctuary. Half of the pews have been brought back from Ireland – the rest in two weeks' time. People keep asking whether these are indeed the old pews. They are – but they have been taken to pieces and restored – plus, they now have new and usable and very comfortable kneelers. By the time you read this, the **Stations of the Cross** will have started going up. And this coming week, the chandeliers will be installed – then we can turn the glaring spot lamps away from your eyes. Thank you for your continuing patience – and please keep us in your prayers: that is most important. *Fr Alan Robinson*

MASSES THIS WEEKEND

As I write this, I understand that we will be using the Sanctuary this weekend – and sitting in the restored pews. Monday, it will be all change... but nearly there. ☺

I HOPE THE 3RD JUNE IS IN YOUR DAIRY

His Eminence, the Cardinal is visiting us and celebrating Mass here on **Sunday 3rd June, at 11.00am**. This is the official "re-opening" of the church after all of the work that has taken place. But there will be lots happening during the preceding week. Let me assure you, there is still much to do – and 3rd June is not far away. So please be prepared to help us with any preparations for that great day in the life of the parish.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

If you'd like to come and talk about your spiritual life, as a one-off or a possibly ongoing relationship, please have a word with Fr Alan, or send him an email.

MASS INTENTIONS

To avoid disappointment, request your Masses as soon as possible to guarantee a date. Envelopes are available at the back of the church – please post through the Presbytery door. If you use these to request a Mass or Sanctuary Lamp, PLEASE make sure we can read your writing. Best to use CAPITAL LETTERS, especially if it's not a very common name.

Our sick parishioners and friends

David Jordan, Bill Tomlinson, Fr. Michael Durand, Christopher Browne, Margaret Griffith, Pascal James, Jean Bernard, Brian Keenan, Sid Shepherd, Terry Miles, John Hughes, Warren Peterson, Nicholas Pollock, Jack Ward, Traute Pollock, Noël Tobin, Geoff Smale, David Michael Barrett, Christopher Browne, John Lynch, Peter Georgeson, Colin Folan, Ann Gorman, Janet Seeley, Margaret Hopley DGCHS

Of your charity – please pray for those who have died recently: Dennis Gunn, Bishop Francis Walmsley, Joan Cook, Sergio Alves, Julia Teresa Morgan, Fr Norman Brown, Monsignor Augustine Hoey, Fr. John Bruce Elliott, Mary Josephine (Maisie) Rebello DCHS, Carlo Cardinal Caffara, James Johnson.