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*This parish is part of the WRCDT  
Registered Charity Number 233699*

**WEEKLY GIVING**

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2018  
Offertory Loose Plate **£637.59**  
Offertory Envelopes **£85.00**  
Restoration **£936.27**

*Thank you for your continued  
generous support*

**SANCTUARY LAMPS**

**Sanctuary Lamps**  
Members of the Sodality of the  
Blessed Sacrament

**Lady Chapel**  
Private Intention



# CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH

MARCH – MONTH DEDICATED TO  
ST. JOSEPH

**✠ HOLY MASS FOR THE WEEK – SUNDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2018**  
**✠ 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**

**SUNDAY 4<sup>TH</sup>**

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9.30am Mass  
11.30am Solemn Mass

*(Ps. Week 3)*  
*Mick Ryan RIP*  
*Pro Populo*

**MONDAY 5<sup>TH</sup>**

**LENT FERIA**

1.05pm Mass  
6.30pm Mass – Extraordinary Form

*Private Intention – TB*

**TUESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup>**

**LENT FERIA**

1.05pm Mass

*Dr Harold Leigh – RIP*

**WEDNESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup>**

**LENT FERIA**

1.05pm Mass

*Thomas & Dymna – Intentions*

**THURSDAY 8<sup>TH</sup>**

**LENT FERIA**

1.05pm Mass  
7.00pm Fraternity of St. Genesius

*Benefactors of Corpus Christi*

**FRIDAY 9<sup>TH</sup>**

**LENT FERIA**

1.05pm Mass  
6.30pm Mass – Extraordinary Form

*(Friday Abstinence)*

*Mullally Family – Intentions*  
*Good Counsel Network*

**SATURDAY 10<sup>TH</sup>**

**LENT FERIA**

9.00am onwards – Church Cleaning  
6.00pm Vigil Mass

*Henry Gryko RIP - Anniversary*

**SUNDAY 11<sup>TH</sup>**

**✠ 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT – LAETERE SUNDAY**

9.30am Mass  
11.30am Solemn Mass

*(Ps. Week 4)*  
*Private Intention – TB*  
*Fr. Alan – Intentions*

**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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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. This week, “Getting it right – getting closer to the Lord”

### WHAT DO YOU THINK.....?

Over the last few weeks we’ve seen a good deal of comment in the Catholic press from Cardinal Sarah; the Prefect of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments. He very much came to our notice through his two marvellous spiritual books, *God or Nothing* and *The Power of Silence*: either of which would be an excellent book for Lent spiritual reading. But, over the last couple of weeks, Cardinal Sarah has spoken out courageously and strongly about:

- How the widespread reception of Communion in the hand is part of Satan’s attack on the Eucharist. We all know, receiving Holy Communion in this manner was brought about by the legalisation of an abuse. Individual Bishops Conferences can, with the required majority in favour, grant an Indult for Reception in this manner. But it is undeniable that receiving in this manner has reduced reverence for the Mass and dumbed down belief in the true nature of the Blessed Sacrament.
- He has also spoken out about a crisis of faith in some members of the Church hierarchy and the betrayal of the Church committed by clergy through their lack of faith.

This is much needed strong and straight talking by a Cardinal of the Church. Have a look at the articles online... you’ll find them easily: they are both spot on, and very much merit your reading. *Fr Alan Robinson*

### THE CARDINAL’S LENTEN APPEAL

A few weeks ago, you may have heard the Cardinal’s Pastoral Letter, in which he spoke of the Cardinal’s Lenten Appeal in support of key areas of work in our Diocese. The Cardinal’s Lenten Appeal was set up in 2015 to fund the innovative work of Catholic parishes, schools and charities working within the Diocese, contributing to three fundamental mission areas of the Church: **Marriage and Family Life** – enriching and supporting marriages, the essential building block of society and the Church. **Youth and Evangelisation** – supporting young people, the future of the Church, as they grow in their relationship with God and deepen their Catholic faith. And the **Church’s Social Outreach within Civil Society** – putting our faith into action through projects that serve the poor, the lonely and the marginalised, especially at a time of greater division and inequality in society. These mission areas embody how we live out the Gospel and put our Catholic values into action – in service to others through practical programmes. Please take a Cardinal’s Lenten Appeal donation leaflet as you leave Mass today. During Lent, and in the spirit of sacrifice, sharing and almsgiving, please consider designating your Lenten sacrifice to the Cardinal’s Appeal.

## SODALITY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The next Mass is **6.30pm on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May**, and the preacher will be **Fr. Stephen Willis**, who is the Rector of the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden. 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](http://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](http://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

The work on **the floor** is virtually complete. And now, we’ve begun to lay the **marble** in the sanctuary. On Tuesday the other half of the pews are coming back from Ireland, and then they will be fixed into place. The **Stations of the Cross** should (weather permitting) be installed this week. The **chandeliers** have been installed, and will soon be working. The **sound system** and the **security cameras** are to arrive soon. Thank you for your continuing patience – and please keep us in your prayers: that is most important. *Fr Alan Robinson*

### MASSES THIS WEEKEND

Masses will take place in the Sacred Heart Chapel whilst work to the Sanctuary continues.

### I HOPE THE 3<sup>RD</sup> JUNE IS IN YOUR DAIRY

His Eminence, the Cardinal is visiting us and celebrating Mass here on **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

**O GOD, AUTHOR OF EVERY MERCY AND OF ALL GOODNESS**, who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving have shown us a remedy for sin, look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, may always be lifted up by your mercy. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### 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.