



Parish of Corpus Christi-St. Peter, St. Justus



Corpus Christi

41 Lyons Crescent, Tonbridge
TN9 1EY

St. Justus

Mount Pleasant, Paddock Wood
TN12 6AG

St. Peter

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TN11 0HR

ONE PARISH

ONE FAMILY

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This weekend we start the wonderful season of Advent, in which we await in expectation the birth of our Saviour. These four weeks of preparation are to unite us in prayer, charity and faith, until we encounter the child Jesus. Let's make good use of this time by doing something extra for Christ, i.e. Making a good confession, charitable works, some extra prayers. This weekend we look forward to Corpus Christi church bazaar, with lots of international food, along with games for the children and many Christmas gifts to purchase along with lots of raffles and other entertainments. A big thank you to the bazaar committee for organizing it.

Last Saturday we had a lovely bazaar organized by the parishioners of St Justus at Paddock Wood, it was very interesting with lots of prizes and food and raffles, a big thank you to the ladies that organized it at St Justus.

Hopefully next week we will start the renovation of the Lady altar, it will be a simplified one, concentrating on painting and cleaning, putting in some new lights and generally making it look a lot nicer.

Please put in your diaries Sunday 7th December for the parish carol service, led by St Margaret Clitherow school and the Corpus Christi choir, please come along to this wonderful event, starting at 3.30pm. Thanks. *Fr Philip*

MASS AND INTENTIONS 30th November 2025

SATURDAY 29 th Nov	6.00pm	Intentions Fiona Goff
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)		
SUNDAY 30 th Nov	8.30am	St Justus: Baby Lucien RIP (Parishioners of St Justus)
	10.00am	Lucy Cziraki RIP (Elizabeth Johnston)
	12noon	St Peter: Welfare of Josie Smallcombe (John & Jean) For the People of the Parish
MONDAY 1 st Dec	10.00am	The Curtis family (Suzanne McGoldrick)
TUESDAY 2 nd Dec	10.00am	St Justus: Birthday blessings Sarah, Roger, Elizabeth & Madeleine (Jacqui Shaw)
WED 3 rd Dec		<i>Priest offers Mass privately</i>
THURSDAY 4 th Dec	10.00am	Stuart Hirst RIP (Frances Hirst)
FRIDAY 5 th Dec	10.00am	Marie Reid RIP (Eleanor Smith)
	10.00pm	Corpus Christi: All night Vigil
SATURDAY 6 th Dec	10.00am	Tony Cronin RIP and for the consolation of Brenda & family Elaine Slattery)
	6.00pm	Marian Barlow RIP (Mary Wand)
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)		
SUNDAY 7 th Dec	8.30am	St Justus: Vera & Philip Weston RIP (Barry Weston)
	10.00am	Eddie Lobo RIP (Almeida family)
	12noon	St Peter: For the People of the Parish Special Intentions Spencer & Ekaterina (Christian Slawek)

WEEKLY IN THE PARISH
MORNING PRAYER
CORPUS CHRISTI
MON AT 9.40 AM
CHRISTIAN
MEDITATION
AT CORPUS CHRISTI
TUE 6.30 PM -7.00 PM.
ADORATION
AT CORPUS CHRISTI
THURSDAYS AFTER
10.30AM -10PM
ROSARY
AT CORPUS CHRISTI
9.30 AM
ON THUR, FRI ,SAT &
SUN. FIRST SATURDAY
DEVOTION
CHERUBS
IN THE HALL BEFORE
10AM MASS ON
SUNDAYS
HOLY FACE DEVOTION
AT 10.30AM SATS AND
1ST TUES AT ST. JUSTUS
ROSARY AT ST JUSTUS
ON TUESDAYS 9.20 AM

St. Margaret Clitherow Primary School, Trench Road, Tonbridge Tel. 01732 358000 Principal: Mrs. Fiona Oubridge

St. Gregory's Catholic School, Reynolds Lane, Tunbridge Wells. Tel. 01892 527444 Principal: Mr Mike Wilson

Hall Bookings: Please contact the parish office during office hours 01732 353984 or by email. Not in the evenings or week-ends

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

YOUTH GROUP-Are you in year 7-13 and would like to come and join us for pizza, fun and games? We would love to see you at our meeting in Fisher Hall after Saturday 6.00pm Mass— Stefano. Next meeting dates 13th Dec

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The Lifeboat, parish bereavement support: these supportive monthly sessions for the bereaved of the parish will re-commence after Christmas. If help is needed please contact the parish office who will pass on calls to Isabelle and Sheila.

CONFESSION: Sat 10.30am – 11.00am 5pm-5.45pm at CC; St Justus-after Tuesday morning mass.

BAPTISM: Please speak to Father Philip after Mass to join the Parent's Baptism Preparation session. Once you have spoken to Father, please contact the Parish Office for details to attend the session.

CONFIRMATION tonbridge@rcaos.org.uk

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION tonbridge@rcaos.org.uk

RCIA If you are interested in the Roman Catholic Faith and would like to become a Catholic or need adult Sacraments, please speak to Father Philip.

FAMILY SUNDAYS Faith in the Family group meets on the 1st Sunday of the month. You are invited to the Fisher Hall after 10am Mass for a fun, faith-filled, craft activity along with biscuits and a cuppa.

MUMS/DADS NIGHTS- Taking time to feed our own faith by exploring an aspect of Christianity with other parents in the parish. We meet in someone's home, watch some input to get us thinking and chat over pizza and drinks. All are very welcome. Contacts Isabel (07851062232 or Nick (07851609097)

COMMUNITY STOREHOUSE, PADDOCK WOOD have a Christmas Wish List, please see parish noticeboards Donations can be left in the Narthex at St Justus. If you'd prefer, here are the details for an online bank transfer: Community Storehouse, HSBC Bank Sort code: 40-36-35Acc No: 11298410 Ref: St Justus member. Waitrose and Tesco gift cards are welcome as an alternative.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL are extremely grateful for your past support. We are renewing our appeal for large size nappies, baby food, sanitary wear, soap and other toiletries. As our donations go to a school please **DO NOT** donate anything that is **PERISHABLE!** Thank you.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY at St Dunstan's Church (TN4 0QA) – Saturday 6th Dec 2-4pm – All primary school aged children and toddlers and their parents are invited to join in the fun. For catering purposes, please contact southborough@rcaos.org.uk or 01892 529 158 by 1st December with the name and age of all children attending.

FAMILY SUNDAY Sunday 7th Dec - All families welcome in the hall after Mass. There'll be tea, biscuits and a family Advent craft activity.

PARISH FINANCE Thank you to everyone who contributes to the Parish for your generosity. For those eligible not registered for Gift Aid please do consider signing up so that your cash contributions to the Church can be increased by 25%. Please email or speak to Tony Mahoney for further information or use the QR code in the narthex to sign up electronically. Bank Transfer details are OFF for Offertories, ST for Mass Stipends, MT for Malawi Twin. MT Solar. Thank you for your generosity.

Account name RCAS Tonbridge

Sort Code 60-21-28 Account 71367780

Gift Aid:- Tony Mahoney (01732 773 531) Gift Aid email:- tonbridgegac2@rcaos.org.uk

Weekend 22/23 November Offertories:-

Gift Aid Envelopes:- £173.00 Cash:- £365.54

Card Machine (Oct): ££269.00SO Online (Oct): £5,640.00

2nd Collection:-MT Solar Lights £1,956.28 (incl GA)

Catholic Youth £278.04

PARISH NOTICES COFFEE IN THE FISHER HALL AFTER SUNDAY MORNING MASS. With no take-up from the repeated appeals for more volunteers to serve coffee and biscuits in the Fisher Hall after Sunday Morning Mass, this weekly occasion will likely come to an end soon. There is a notice in the Narthex, requiring a positive response, asking for names to come forward.

ST JUSTUS CHRISTMAS BAZAAR held on the 22nd raised £1055.00. £915.00 on the day, £40 in after sales, a donation of £20 & £80 which we have been accumulating from sales by John Murphy. We are so grateful to all our helpers who work so hard in the background & of course to all who attended.

'CALLED TO BEAR FRUIT' the Report on the Consultation is available at the back of our three churches.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES SHEETS are available this weekend. Please take one and keep handy to keep abreast of the times of the Advent & Christmas services.

PARISH FINANCES Thank you to all of you who contribute to our church and for your generosity. However, our regular monthly income has fallen back over the last year or so as a result of some parishioners falling away. We have made every effort to cut back on our regular expenditure but inflation has seen many expenses increase and this is beyond our control. Please would all who attend our church consider increasing your monthly/weekly contributions if you are able and have not done so recently. This is most people! Also, if you are a taxpayer please do sign up for Gift Aid. For those who attend our church and do not contribute please will you consider doing so? It is our Christian responsibility to contribute to our church if you can afford to do so. Thank you. Parish Finance Committee.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION 6th December.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND OF THE PARISH: Bob King, Nicky Byrne, Richard Perry, Ronnie Brown, Mary Girdlestone, Martyn Bowman, Frank Moffatt, Brian Bayross, Rachel Branch, Gloria Gorringer, Christi Morgan, Rena Pope and Rosemary Rowley. HOLY SOULS: Please remember in your prayers, those who have died and for those whose anniversaries fall at this time Honora Read, Joseph Annalls, Connie Bell, Patricia Marston, Betty Fraser, Michael Shanahan, Monica Gryzb, Stuart Hirst, Peter Pointet, Joseph Millard and Amelia MacDonald.