

### SHRINE LIGHTS THIS WEEK

The lamp in honour of **Our Lady** is given in memory of Liam and Maureen Greene.

The lamp in honour of **Saint Joseph** is given in memory of Timothy O'Driscoll.

*Bookings for 2025 can be made now – the list of dates still available is in the porch, together with the envelopes for donations.*



*Donations of any long-life products are always very welcome and can be left in the church porch. At the moment, the following items are especially needed:*

**Tins, bottles or jars of:** meat, fish, vegetables, fruit, custard, jam, honey, marmalade, cooking oil, long-life milk and fruit juice (including low sugar).

**Bags or boxes of:** flour, sugar, cereal, biscuits, tea bags.

**Items for personal hygiene & cleaning products:** deodorant, shower gel, soap, shampoo, toothpaste, washing up liquid, clothes detergent (liquid or similar, not too big).

*Please remember in your prayers*

#### **Those who are ill or housebound . . .**

Jackie Burr, Lesley Carroll, Tom Coddington, Pat and Janet Defreitas, Brenda Duke, Gloria Jackson, Ray Lobendhan, Maureen Mongan, Helen Murray, Jim Peters, Stephen Smithers, June and Sue Spelling, Mary Treston, Kate Welcome and Yvonne Wilson.

#### **Those who have died recently . . .**

**Ita Patterson** died on Saturday 2 November; her Requiem Mass will be celebrated here on Friday 15 November at 10.15 am followed by the Service of Committal at Forest Park Crematorium. Ita is the mother of Caroline Langan, Loretta Murphy, Anita McCarthy and Gerard Patterson – we keep all the family in our prayers.

**Robert Dick** died on Tuesday 8 October. We keep him in our prayers, together with his wife Anne and their family and friends.

#### **Those whose memory we keep at this time . . .**

**9-15 Nov:** Eileen Godden, Sheila Browne, Geraldine O'Shea, Mary Donnelly, Albert Hyde, Fran Sherlock, Carole Tabram, Janice Johnston, Antoni Sieroto, Stanley Collins, Hilda Ketley, Bert Smith, Charles O'Neill, Ellen Stride, Kathleen Miller, Kathleen Hart, Margaret Hughes, John and Liam Greene.



### MASS INTENTIONS

#### THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 9 Nov : 6.30 pm Timothy O'Driscoll RIP (O'Driscoll)  
Sunday 10 Nov : 9.00 am The Dempsey family (O'Driscoll)  
11.30 am Members of Our Parish Community

Monday 11 Nov : 9.15 am Joseph Kelly RIP (Jonas)

Tuesday 12 Nov : 9.15 am Fran & Jack Sherlock RIP (Pat)

Wednesday 13 Nov : 9.15 am Pat Langan RIP (Foley)

Thursday 14 Nov : 9.15 am Gerald Presland RIP (Smith)

Friday 15 Nov : 9.15 am David & Daniel McGoay RIP (Mary & Peter)  
10.15 am Requiem Mass for Ita Patterson

#### THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 16 Nov : 6.30 pm MSC Nosegbe RIP (Agbebi)

Sunday 17 Nov : 9.00 am Annie Joy RIP (Donohue)

11.30 am Members of Our Parish Community

# Catholic Church of Corpus Christi

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## Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time 9-10 November 2024



**THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER**

Daily until 6.00 pm

#### SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday : 6.30 pm, Sunday : 9.00 am and 11.30 am

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday : 9.15 am

#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Saturday : 5.30 – 6.30 pm

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday : 6.00-6.30 pm or any other time on request

#### DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Friday : 9.45 am

#### STREAMING

Live and recorded streaming of Mass can be accessed from the Home page of the parish website

#### PARISH WEBSITE

[www.corpuschristicollierrow.org](http://www.corpuschristicollierrow.org)

### PREPARATION FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The programme of preparation for Roman Catholic children in Year 3 or above will begin in January and will involve a series of children's sessions on Saturday mornings (once per month) in the Parish Hall. There will also be meetings for the parents with Father Philip and John; these will take place in the church, the first is on Saturday 14 December at 10.00 am. Application forms and an information sheet with all the dates are now available and can be collected after any of the weekend Masses over the next few weeks. The deadline for returning completed application forms is: Sunday 15 December.

### YOUR OFFERINGS LAST WEEKEND

Parish Offerings last weekend amounted to £920.08 (£500.05 of this was gift aided). Thank you for your continuing support for the life and ministry of our church and its community.

### MUSIC DURING HOLY COMMUNION

On this, the weekend of Remembrance Sunday, we hear a chant from Kiev: the Kontakion of the Departed:

So sviatymi upokoi, Khriste, dushy rab tvoikh, idezhe nest bolezni ni pechal, ni vozdykhanie, no zhizn' beskonechnaia. Sam edin esi bessmertnyi, sotvorivyi, i sozdavyi cheloveka, zemnii ubo ot zemli sozdakhoms, i v zemliu tuiuzhde poidem, iakozhe povelel esi, sozdavyi mia i rekii mi, iako zemlia esi, i v zemliu otideshi, amozzhe vsi chelovetsi poidem, nadgrobnoe rydanie tvoriashche pesh'. Alliluiia, alliluiia, alliluiia.

*Give rest, O Christ, to thy servant(s) with thy saints: Where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting. Thou only art immortal, the Creator and Maker of man, and we are mortal, formed of the earth. And unto earth shall we return, for so thou didst ordain, when thou created me saying: 'Dust thou art and unto dust shalt thou return'. All we go down to the dust; and weeping over the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

### NOVEMBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

November is the month when we especially remember our dead and their influence on us, the living. We also pray for them and offer Masses for the repose of their souls in the eternal life of God. Our

custom here, for many years, is to leave the names of our loved ones before the altar throughout the month. Envelopes for this purpose are available in the porch; please place them in the offertory baskets, put them through the letter box at Church House or hand them in to the sacristy. Any offerings you make will help to provide Masses for the Holy Souls, celebrated during November and throughout the year.

#### THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR THIS WEEK . . .

Monday is the **Memorial of St Martin of Tours, bishop** – a hard-working bishop in his diocese of Tours; he died in 397. What is possibly the oldest church in England still in use (in Canterbury) is dedicated to him, as is St Martin-in-the-Fields in Trafalgar Square.

Tuesday is the **Memorial of St Josaphat, bishop and martyr** – a saint from eastern Europe (in the area associated with present-day Ukraine, Lithuania and Belarus); he attempted to improve relations between the Catholic and Orthodox Churches. He was martyred in 1623.

Friday is the **Memorial of St Albert the Great, bishop and teacher of the faith** – a Dominican friar and master of many subjects, St Thomas Aquinas was one of his students (St Thomas became one of the most influential teachers in the Church, after St Paul and St Augustine of Hippo). St Albert died in 1280.

#### VOCATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD?

The next "Enquirers' Evening" for those considering or interested in a vocation to the priesthood is on Tuesday 12 November at Brentwood Cathedral. The speaker will be Mgr Gordon Read. For further information please contact Fr Mark Swires: vocprom@brcd.t.org

#### ANNUAL SENIOR CITIZENS' CHRISTMAS PARTY

We have received an invitation from The Campion School for anyone who would like to attend the annual Christmas Party – this year on Sunday 15 December between 12.30 and 5.00 pm, with lunch served at 1.30 pm. Names and contact phone numbers to Father Philip or John to be added to the list in the Sacristy. Places are limited to fifteen people: first come, first served. Final date for booking a place: Wednesday 27 November.

#### BISHOP'S VISIT AND THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Bishop Alan will be visiting our parish on Sunday 6 July 2025; during the Visit he will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for any young people in Year 11 (or older). Information about the programme of preparation will be available soon after Christmas; look out for the announcement in the newsletter.

#### BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Come along to find comfort, support and understanding at our welcoming and informal bereavement support group. Sheila Delander and Liz Hill will lead the group. We invite you to join us as we navigate through grief together. Meetings are scheduled for the first Wednesday of every month at 2pm in St. Anthony's Hall at the Most Holy Redeemer Church, Harold Hill. All are welcome. Tea/Coffee and Cake will be provided.

#### PROCLAIM THE WORD: A SERIES OF TALKS FOR READERS/LECTORS

Fr Adrian Graffy, Scripture scholar and member of the Pontifical Biblical Commission, will be giving the first talk in a series planned for readers/lectors. This first talk, entitled 'He stood up to read (Lk 4:16)', will survey how the ministry of reader has developed from the New Testament to the institution of readers at Vatican II. The talk will take place on Wednesday 27th November at 7 pm (refreshments from 6.30) at the hall of the Catholic Church of Christ the Eternal High Priest, 410 Brentwood Road, Gidea Park, RM2 6DH. Entrance is free, and the talk will also be available on-line at [www.whatgoodnews.org](http://www.whatgoodnews.org)

#### ROME & ASSISI OCTOBER 2025

St Joseph's Upminster is organising a pilgrimage for the Jubilee Year, departing Sunday 26 October 2025 for 5 nights. For more information, brochure and booking form please visit [https://www.tailored-travel.co.uk/stjosephs\\_rome\\_2025](https://www.tailored-travel.co.uk/stjosephs_rome_2025) To book, please print and complete the

booking form and return to Rome Pilgrimage, St Joseph's Presbytery, Champion Road, Upminster RM14 2SY, with your deposit (payable to the agent) as soon as possible.

#### CHRISTMAS NIGHT MARKET – Sacred Heart of Mary Girls' School

Saturday 16 November: 4 to 8 pm. £2 entry, children free. Boundary Road Entrance. BBQ, refreshments, Santa's Grotto, Carol Singing and much more. Huge range of craft stalls.

#### from Pope Francis, *Angelus Address*, St Peter's Square, 7 November 2021

The scene described in the Gospel of today's Liturgy takes place inside the Temple of Jerusalem. Jesus looks, he looks at what is happening in this most sacred of places; and he sees how the scribes love to walk around to be seen, greeted and revered, and in order to have the places of honour. And Jesus adds that they "devour widows' houses and recite long prayers in order to be seen" (cf. Mk 12:40). At the same time, another scene catches his eyes: a poor widow, precisely one of those exploited by the powers that be, puts "everything she had, her whole living" (Mk 12:44) in the Temple treasury. This is what the Gospel says, she puts everything she had to live on in the treasury. The Gospel presents us with this striking contrast: the rich who give from their surplus wealth to make themselves seen, and a poor woman, who without seeming to, offers every little bit she has. Two symbols of human attitudes.

Jesus watches the two scenes. And it is this very verb – "to watch" – that sums up his teaching: "we must watch out for" those who live their faith with duplicity, like the scribes, so as not to become like them; whereas we must "watch" the widow, and take her as a model. Let us reflect on this: to watch out for hypocrites and to watch the poor widow.

#### MINISTRY ROTA

The Rota is available on the parish website – in the 'Rotas' section.

There are a few paper copies in the Sacristy.

The newsletter only lists those ministering this week and next. Readers & Communion Ministers should come to church in good time and sign in on the list in the Sacristy.

#### READERS

1 = First Reading and Responsorial Psalm

2 = Second Reading and Gospel Acclamation (at 9.00 am the Acclamation is usually sung by the choir and people).

3 = Universal Prayer

9-10 Nov		GROUP 8
6.30 pm	1. Jean Capps 2. Hanyeolisa Onyekonwu 3. Mick Doolan	Liz Lawrence Lili Garagiulo Thomas Kim Ayling
9.00 am	1. Roger King 2. Kim Pritchard 3. Diane McCarthy	Alison Greene Maria Green Auxilia Rayan
11.30am	1. Oluwajuwon Emmanuel 2. Onyema Agbebi 3. Terence Osuji	Nuala Doherty
16-17 Nov		GROUP 1
6.30 pm	1. Margaret Smith 2. Carleen Heath 3. Ngozi Obiakonwa	Dylan Scott Donna Hector Frank Smith
9.00 am	1. 2. Andrew Shaw 3.	Jacklin De Lima Olivia Paton Noel Foley
11.30am	1. Isabel Hegarty 2. Toke Aina 3. Shirley Hay	Pam Hale Louise Seaton Barbara Binder

#### AFRO-CARIBBEAN SOCIETY

For anyone of African or Caribbean descent; contact: Martha – 07533 340622 or Chi – 07463 247424.

#### SINGING FOR THE BRAIN

Every Wednesday 1 – 3 pm at Tweed Community Hall, Tweed Way, Rise Park RM1 4AZ.

#### OUR LADY'S PRAYER GROUP

Monday evenings (except Public Holidays) 7.30-9.00 pm at 10 Norman Close, RM5 3EJ. Children over First Communion age also welcome. We pray the rosary together, a chance to learn if you are not familiar with it. Contact Eileen Jonas (07442 173956).