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YEAR C	ST JOHN'S	ST JOSEPH'S	INTENTION
<b>Sunday 22nd June</b>  <b>CORPUS CHRISTI</b>  <b>White</b>	<b>4.00pm Vigil Mass</b>		Jithin Thomas Titto
	<b>8.30am Mass</b>		Janina & Jerzy Galeza RIP
		<b>10.00am Mass</b>	John Sumner & Trevor Whiting RIP
	<b>11.30am Mass</b>		Michael Day RIP
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>  <b>Feria in Ordinary Time</b>	9.30am - Morning Prayer & Benediction	<b>1pm Funeral Service</b>	John Sumner
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup>  <b>Solemnity of The Nativity of St. John the Baptist</b>		9.30am - Morning Prayer & Benediction	
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>  <b>Feria in Ordinary Time</b>		9.30am Morning Prayer & Benediction	
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>  <b>Feria in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>12 Noon Funeral Mass</b>  6.30pm Evening Prayer & Benediction		Anna – Marie Frenzel
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>  <b>Solemnity of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</b>	6.00pm Holy Hour, Vespers and Benediction.		
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup>  <b>Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary</b>	<b>10.00am Mass of First Holy Communion</b>		Marie Hughes anniversary RIP
<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June</b>  <b>SOLEMNITY OF SS PETER &amp; PAUL</b>  <b>Red</b>	<b>4.00pm Vigil Mass</b>		Monica O' Brien
	<b>8.30am Mass</b>		People of the Parish
		<b>10.00am Mass</b>	Sr. Maureen Murphy
	<b>11.30am Mass</b>		Assumpta Mc Donnell

### **Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Corpus Christi.**

A warm welcome to St John's and St Joseph's to any visitors today. We also welcome Canon David Hartley and Bishop William Kenney who will be celebrating the Sunday Masses this weekend. We are grateful to them for helping out during Fr Philip's convalescence. Thanks also to Fr Craig Davies from Bicester who has celebrated the First Communion Masses. Fr Philip began his physio last Friday, and so hopefully his time of 'confinement' will be drawing to an end!

**Congratulations** to the children at St Joseph's who made their first Holy Communion yesterday, and at St John's last Saturday, and for those being prepared from St John's school who will make their first Holy Communion this Saturday.

**The Feast of Corpus Christi** (The Body of Christ) is a solemnity honouring the Blessed Eucharist. The primary thanksgiving for the Eucharist was always Maundy Thursday where the liturgy of that night focuses our minds and hearts on the gift the Lord gave of himself on that night he was betrayed. However, The Lord's coming betrayal and Passion tempers that sense of celebration.

In the 13th Century there was a great strengthening, understanding and renewal of the Eucharist in the hearts of Christians, and today's feast of Corpus Christi was one of its fruits. Traditionally it was celebrated on a Thursday – the first free Thursday after the Easter cycle – but is often now celebrated on the Sunday following – as it is here in England and Wales.

Today's feast reminds us of the wonderful gift that is the Blessed Eucharist – that the Lord Jesus truly becomes present in bread and wine, which becomes by the power of Christ's word his body and blood. In the Eucharist our Lord is both our Divine food, and the sacrifice we offer.

"What wonderful majesty! O sublime humility!

That the Lord of the whole universe...should humble himself like this in the form of a little bread". (St Francis of Assisi)

"For what you see is simply bread and a cup – this is the information your eyes report. But your faith demands far subtler insight: the bread is Christ's body; the cup is Christ's blood." (St Augustine of Hippo)

**Blessed, praised, hallowed and adored be Jesus Christ on his Throne of Glory, and in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar!**



**Friday Confessions** will be heard in the Parish Office during Holy Hour on Friday. You will find the door at the end of the right-hand aisle in St John's.

**Mary's Meals** – The next lunch will be held on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June. If you haven't already done so, please contact Sue Allen to confirm your place.

**Open Gardens** – Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at Broughton Grange, Wycombe Lane, OX15 5DS. The gardens will be open 6-8pm to raise funds for Agnes Court, Banbury. The home cares for disabled adults, come along and support if you can. Admittance £10 per person, children under 16 free. Light refreshments are available.

**BGN Summer Concerts** – we are delighted to be taking our choir to perform this summer in two highly prestigious concert venues. Our long-established BGN choir will perform a sacred repertoire and would really appreciate your support in promoting and attending these concerts. Entry to both venues is free and there is no need to book.

**Wed 9<sup>th</sup> July, Merton College Oxford, OX1 4JD. 1pm.**  
**Mon 14<sup>th</sup> July, Wimborne Minster, BH21 1EB 12:30pm.** We would love to see you there.

**Junior Youth Group** - Meeting at St Joseph's on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June at 6.30pm - 8pm. School Yr5 - Yr8.

**Senior Youth Group** - Meeting at St Joseph's on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 6.30pm - 8.30pm. School Yr9 - Yr13.

New members are most welcome to join our Junior and Senior Youth Groups.

**Youth & Family Adoration - today at St Joseph's, 6pm - 6.30pm.** Music, prayer, meditation and silence. Come and rest in the presence of the Lord whilst we reflect on our theme of:

**The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus in this Month of the Sacred Heart.** Music Ministry led by Youth Chaplain; Christian Fitzgerald.

**Padre Pio Prayer Group** - meeting on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 10am in the Wall Room. (Upstairs).

**Monday Lunch Club** – Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July. If you are no longer able to attend please let Marilena know so that we can offer a place to someone else.

**Good Grief Café** – The next café will be held on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July at 10am in The Brabazon Room, Dupuis Centre. For anyone who has suffered a bereavement, join us for support and refreshments.

**SVP Contact Number:** If you or anyone you know needs to contact the SVP for help and support, please call 07395 471662 and we will happily phone you back. Please leave a name and contact telephone number clearly. Thank you for the support and prayers you give to the parish SVP which is very much appreciated.

**Next weekend's second collection is for Peter's Pence.**

**Please pray for the dead ...**

*Of your charity, pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently,  
Particularly Andrew Fern, Trevor Whiting, John Sumner & Anna Marie Frenzel.  
Pray also for those whose anniversaries occur this coming week:*

- 22 Pier Cuneo 2020; Thomas Febers 2010; Martin Egan 2001; Agnes Stringfellow 1995  
23 Len Sibthorpe 2020; Maureen Alborough 2018; Joan Chequer 2003  
24 Margaret Bowman 2015; Roy Pace 2013; Edward Tallon 2006; Victor Biddicombe 1986;  
Thomas Kiely 1986  
25 Gus Davies 2018; Stephen Manning 2016; Timothy Power 2004; James Farrell 1999; Donald Clifton 1995; Richard McNally 1993  
26 Brian Boscott 2024; Hubert Ford 2013; Edward Clarke 1998; Evelyn Knight 1992  
27 Lucy Mannion 2018; Teresa Holt 2005; Elisah Zawiswa 2004; Margaret Colfer 2003; John McArdle 1995; Cylla Wiggins 1994;  
Pearl Mold 1994; John Foley 1992  
28 Lil Townley 2017; Kathleen Bolland 2010; Marjorie Daly 2007; Austin Beal 2007; Henry Chilton 2006; Joseph Chartier 2004;  
Terri Snelling 1996; Michael Long 1995

***Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace. Amen.***

**Please pray for the sick of our Parishes ...**

*Julie Aikenhead, Vicky Aikenhead, Deacon Henry Allen, Edward Andrews, Audrey Anthistle, Ruth Aris, Cora Barnard, Peter Barton, Marianne Balazs, Douglas Bond, Brenda Brennan, Eileen Bristoll, Christopher Browne, Clifford Browne, Sue Davis, Nick Davies, Oliver Davies, Michael Evans, Alan Fitchett, Barbara Fleming, Carl Gill, Diane Greenwood, Pat Heritage, Gwen Ingham, Roger Johnson, Michael Jordan, Teresa Kurszewska, Catherine Ley, Iris Jean Lloyd, Liam Malone, Anne Nolan, Harry Rhodes, Eileen Shea, Nicky Smith, Elaine Steer.*

**PARISH FINANCIAL MATTERS**

<b>Weekly Income:</b>	<b>15<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b><u>ST JOHN'S</u></b>	<b><u>ST JOSEPH'S</u></b>
Gift Aid		£75.00	£ 41.00
Non – Gift Aid		£643.05	£ 199.25
Contactless Card		£-----	£ -----
April Standing Orders		£ 3109.00	£ 774.00
Day for Life		£ 255.67	£ 93.70

***Thank you for all your support.***

**GIFT AID** – If you pay tax on your income, please consider completing a Gift Aid form and the church can claim the tax you have paid. It does not cost you anything extra. For every £1 donated, we will receive another 25p

**GENERAL TIMES FOR SACRAMENTS AND OTHER CELEBRATIONS**

<b>St. John's:</b>	Reconciliation	Friday, 6.00-7.00 pm; Saturday, 10.30-11.00 am
	Adoration	Friday at 6.00-7.00 pm
	Baptisms	Sunday from 12.30 pm
	Weddings	A minimum of six months' notice is required
	Legion of Mary	Saturday at 10.45 am (Wall Room, Dupuis Centre)
<b>St. Joseph's:</b>	Adoration	Wednesday at 9.30am – 10.30am
	Baptisms	Sunday at 11.30 am
	Weddings	A minimum of six months' notice is required
	Legion of Mary	Wednesday at 6.30 pm
	Youth Group	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday, 6.30 – 8pm for children Yr 6 & 7 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday, 6.30-8.30pm, for children Yr 7 & above.

**DONA CARD READER:**

Remember to use our contactless card reader for all your donations. Donations can also be made by scanning the QR code.



**PARISH OFFICE** [The office is situated at St John's Presbytery; office hours Tuesday – Thursday, 9.00am – 3.00pm]

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**SAFEGUARDING:** The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative for St John's is Nicola Mollard; for St Joseph's, Eileen Bristoll. They can be contacted at: [sg.stjohn.banbury@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stjohn.banbury@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.

**Entrance Antiphon****Cf. Ps 80: 17**

He fed them with the finest wheat  
and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

**Collect**

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament  
have left us a memorial of your Passion,  
grant us, we pray,  
so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood  
that we may always experience in ourselves  
the fruits of your redemption.  
Who live and reign with God the Father  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

**First reading****Genesis 14:18-20**

In those days: Melchizedek king of Salem brought out  
bread and wine. He was priest of God Most High. And he  
blessed Abram and said, 'Blessed be Abram by God Most  
High, Possessor of heaven and earth; and blessed be God  
Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your  
hand!' And Abram gave him a tenth of everything.

**Responsorial Psalm****Ps 110(109):1. 2. 3. 4. 4bc**

*You are a priest for ever, according to the order of  
Melchizedek. R/.*

The LORD's revelation to my lord:  
'Sit at my right hand,  
until I make your foes your footstool.' *R/.*

The LORD will send from Sion  
your sceptre of power:  
rule in the midst of your foes. *R/.*

With you is princely rule  
on the day of your power.  
In holy splendour, from the womb before the dawn,  
I have begotten you. *R/.*

The LORD has sworn an oath he will not change:  
'You are a priest for ever,  
according to the order of Melchizedek.' *R/.*

**Second reading****1 Corinthians 11:23-26**

Brothers and Sisters: I received from the Lord what I also  
delivered to you; that the Lord Jesus on the night when he  
was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks,  
he broke it, and said, 'This is my body, which is for you. Do  
this in remembrance of me.' In the same way also he took  
the cup, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant  
in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in  
remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread  
and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he  
comes.

**Gospel Acclamation**

I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says  
the Lord.  
If anyone eats of this bread, he will live for ever.  
Alleluia.

**Gospel****Luke 9:11b-17**

At that time: Jesus spoke to the crowd of the kingdom of  
God and cured those who needed healing. Now the day  
began to wear away, and the Twelve came and said to him,  
'Send the crowd away to go into the surrounding villages  
and countryside to find lodging and get provisions, for we  
are here in a desolate place.' But he said to them, 'You give  
them something to eat.' They said, 'We have no more than  
five loaves and two fish — unless we are to go and buy  
food for all these people.' For there were about five  
thousand men. And he said to his disciples, 'Make them sit  
down in groups of about fifty each.' And they did so, and  
made them all sit down. And taking the five loaves and the  
two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing over  
them. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the  
disciples to set before the crowd. And they all ate and were  
satisfied. And what was left over was picked up, twelve  
baskets of broken pieces.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Grant your Church, O Lord, we pray,  
the gifts of unity and peace,  
whose signs are to be seen in mystery  
in the offerings we here present.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood  
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

**Prayer after Communion**

Grant, O Lord, we pray,  
that we may delight for all eternity  
in that share in your divine life,  
which is foreshadowed in the present age  
by our reception of your precious Body and Blood.  
Who live and reign for ever and ever.