

Holy Trinity Catholic Church

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Sunday 22 June 2025 – Corpus Christi Readings: Year C

Dear Friends

Twice in my life I have met the Sovereign, both times the late Queen Elizabeth of blessed memory. Both occasions filled me with awe, excitement and happiness. I felt honoured and that my life had been enriched.

Today we are celebrating Corpus Christi, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, King of Kings and Monarch of the Universe. This is the feast proposed by the great St Thomas Aquinas and for which he wrote such beautiful music: Pange Lingua gloriosa, Salutaris Hostia, Panis Angelicus and more, still sung today across the Church. It is a Feast when we remember that not only is Christ the eternal King, but that He descended to our lowly state, as a man first and under the forms of Bread and Wine in perpetuity. "This is my Body...this is my Blood". At the Passover meal, which we call The Last Supper, Christ took the basic elements of bread and wine and transformed them into His living sacrifice which we offer daily on our altars, the Holy Eucharist. How blessed are we in this part of the world to enjoy a daily Mass when in so many others there is such a scarcity.

Today in Holy Trinity, 12 young people will be making their First Holy Communions. We must all pray for them, that they too will feel awe, excitement and happiness as they welcome the Saviour into their sacramental lives.

And what about us? Do we feel the same or have we grown a little dull of spirit? Let us ask the Sacred Heart to enliven our hearts too so that we feel enriched by our reception of Christ's Body and Blood.

God bless everyone Fr Clive

Parish Notices

Weekday Masses – Holy Trinity 9:15am Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Holy Rosary for Peace Friday 9:15am

St Teresa's Weekday Masses – 9:15am Wednesday and Friday – the Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Our Second Collection last weekend for Day for Life raised £180.33 – thank you.

On Saturday we have the wedding of Patricia Williams and Ian. Patricia is the granddaughter of Felicity Williams.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret Dewar. Please also keep Stuart and all the family in your prayers. Margaret's Requiem Mass will be at the Oxford Oratory on 1 July at 1230.

Look ahead to July...**Parishes Mission Saturday 12-Friday 18th**! There will be a talk every evening in Holy Trinity and two day-time talks in St Teresa's.

Pope Leo's intention for June 2025 is that the world might grow in compassion: Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

Please continue to pray for our sick, housebound and frail parishioners of both our Parishes. **In addition to your own daily prayers please remember:** All those who mourn the loss of loved ones: The repose of the souls of those who have died: People whose anniversaries occur at this time: The people of the Middle East, Morocco, Ukraine, Turkey and Syria.

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is <u>Tammy</u> <u>Lawson</u>. Alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

