



THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF
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TIMES OF MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES: TENTH SUNDAY: B

Tenth Week of Ordinary Time: 9th – 15th June 2024 (Weekday Cycle Year II / Psalter Week II)

G	Saturday 8th June: <i>Tenth Sunday of the Year: B</i>
	5:00 pm: Confessions
	5:30pm: Vigil Mass; Ron King RIP (8 th Anniversary) (Margaret)
G	Sunday 9th June: <i>Tenth Sunday of the Year: B</i>
	9:00 am: Mass; Intentions of Lubica, Anton, Marika, Ladislav & Beata (Gabriela)
	11:00 am: Mass (St Francis); Pro Populo; People of the Parish
G	Monday 10th June: <i>Weekday Feria</i>
	10:00 am: Mass; Sister Elizabeth RIP (Breame Family)
R	Tuesday 11th June: <i>St Barnabas, Apostle (Feast)</i>
	10:00 am: Mass (St Francis); Tim Conlan RIP (Curtis)
G	Wednesday 12th June: <i>Weekday Feria</i>
	10:00 am: Mass; Brian Evans RIP (Twomey)
W	Thursday 13th June: <i>St Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor (memoria)</i>
	NO MORNING MASS
G	Friday 14th June: <i>Weekday Feria</i>
	10:00am: Mass; Pro Populo; People of the Parish
G	Saturday 15th June: <i>Eleventh Sunday of the Year: B</i>
	5:00 pm: Confessions
	5:30 pm: Vigil Mass; Nicholas Monaghan RIP (Evans)
G	Sunday 16th June: <i>Eleventh Sunday of the Year: B</i>
	9:00 am: Mass; Jim McLoughlin RIP (Hopkins)
	11:00 am: Mass (St Francis); Deceased Members of the Harvey Family

PARISH FINANCES
1 st / 2 nd June 2024
Envelopes: £ 251. 00
Loose Plate: £ 282. 40
S / Orders: £ 410. 00
TOTAL: £ 943. 40
<i>Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our Parish.</i>
<i>Your Prayers are requested for those who are sick:</i>
Kathleen Anderson, Isobel Alana Barnes, Marica Borsos, Margaret Brown, Des Burrows Ann Harrison, Fr Peter Harvey, Andrea Hoffman, Breeda Keaney, Brenda Lowe, Julie Mortimer, Anne – Marie Reid, Simpson Family, Eileen Thompson Kay Twomey, Evelyn Venning

Items for the newsletter can be given to Fr Christopher or e – mailed to frcathomas@outlook.com by WEDNESDAY of each week for inclusion in the next issue

PARISH PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATION: To mark 70 years of our Parish Church and 40 years of our Parish Hall we will be celebrating with a Mass and a Hog Roast on **Friday 5th July 2024 at 6:30 pm**. Tickets will be on sale for this event priced at £15 per Adult – Children (5 – 16 year-olds) £10. Ticket price includes Hog Roast, various salads, cake, soft drinks and wine, so please put this date in your diary and save for your ticket, to come and enjoy a great evening celebrating our Parish Community. (**NB:** There will be Vegan/Vegetarian options available).

TICKETS NOW ON SALE.

Please note that due to submitting numbers to the caterers, the last date to purchase tickets will be THIS Sunday 2nd June 2024.

PARISH PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATION PLANNING MEETING: **THIS Monday, 10th June 2024 at 7:00 pm** in the Parish Hall – All Welcome.

THE NEW LECTIONARY: The Lectionary which contains the Scripture readings for Mass and the Sacraments, is changing as part of the continuing process of revising Liturgical translations. The process began with the Roman Missal in 2011 and has continued with all the other Liturgical texts. The New Lectionary will use both the English Standard Version – Catholic Edition of the Bible and the Abbey Psalter for the Psalms. These changes are meant to make the Biblical translations more faithful to the original languages, to reflect current Biblical Scholarship and to provide a text for use in Liturgical settings that is more proclaimable and where appropriate more inclusive. The New Lectionary will become mandatory for use in all Catholic Parishes in England and Wales from Advent 2024. In readiness for these changes, a new set of Lectionaries (in four volumes) and a Book of the Gospels will have to be purchased for our Parish at a cost of about **£ 1,500.00**. As with the New Missal, I know that some parishioners like to donate such items in memory of a loved one. However, this is an opportunity for any parishioner who wishes, to consider making a donation of any amount (I would not expect one person to pay the full cost) and the names of your nominated loved ones will be inscribed on the inside cover of the New Lectionaries. If you are interested in doing this there will be sheets available to put names on (much like November Dead List).

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: The next Class for the First Holy Communion course for the Children and their Parents, “*Do this in memory of Me,*” will be on **Sunday 9th June 2024 before Mass at 10:00 am** in St Francis of Assisi Parish Hall; “*Body of Christ,*” will be on **Sunday 23rd June 2024, after Mass** in The Assumption Parish Hall. If for any reason you are unable to attend these classes, please contact me as soon as possible to let me know. There will also be a **Retreat Day on Saturday 15th June 2024** (times to be confirmed). ***Please note that attendance at Mass is very much a part of the preparation for First Holy Communion and not an optional extra.***

THE BISHOPS OF ENGLAND AND WALES: are hosting a National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress, *Adoremus*, on **Saturday 14th September 2024**. As well as being part of the Year of Prayer, this will be a continuation of the Eucharistic Congress held in Liverpool in 2018 and a time of preparation for the Jubilee 2025. Information will be made available over the coming months to help all our Parishes and Communities prepare for this occasion. As we celebrate today the Solemnity of Corpus Christi we are invited to marvel afresh at the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, Jesus who lives with us always.

PLEASE RESPOND TO THE ‘SCRAP THE CAP’ PUBLIC CONSULTATION: The Catholic Bishops’ Conference is encouraging us to respond to the Department for Education’s consultation on the faith – based admissions cap for new free schools. Currently, in England there is a 50% cap on faith – based admissions to oversubscribed free schools with a religious character. This cap makes it impossible for new Catholic free schools to open as it would force schools to turn away some Catholic pupils. Last month the Education Secretary agreed to lift the cap and to allow Catholic special academies, subject to the outcome of a public consultation. The consultation is going ahead, notwithstanding the election, but the results will now go before the new Education Secretary appointed after the election, who may initially be less sympathetic to lifting the cap. It is therefore important that as many Catholics as possible respond to the consultation to show our strong support for lifting the cap. The Bishops’ Conference has prepared an easy e – action tool with pre – prepared responses at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/faith-schools-consultation-response/>. ***The deadline is 20th June 2024.***

GENERAL ELECTION (4TH JULY 2024): some thoughts from the Bishops of England and Wales about **Criminal Justice**. A Catholic understanding of criminal justice has three aims: retribution, rehabilitation and redemption. Criminal justice must always prioritise care for victims while seeking the reformation and rehabilitation of offenders into the community. A well – balanced criminal justice system properly punishes, rigorously rehabilitates and effectively enables the practice of both justice and mercy to serve the ultimate good of victim, offender and wider society. This can help ensure that somebody convicted of a crime both plays a part in repairing the harm done to the victim and takes responsibility for their actions. For more information visit: www.cbcew.org.uk/criminal-justice-election24/