

GOSPEL REFLECTION FOR CORPUS CHRISTI



Living Memory

What if we forgot the sacrifices people have made for us? What if we forgot all about the martyrs who died so that we could have religious freedom? What if we forgot all about the soldiers who fought and died so that we could enjoy political freedom? What if we forgot the grandparents and parents who have sacrificed their own comforts to make our lives better? The answer is obvious. If we forgot the sacrifices others have made for us we would have little or no appreciation of what is important in our world. We would have no understanding of what has made us who we are.

At the Last Supper Jesus charges us to keep his memory alive. We must break bread and drink wine in his name. In celebrating the Eucharist we celebrate the memory of his passion and death. As we break bread and drink wine in his name we recall Jesus' opposition to religious sham, his commitment to forgiveness and inner healing, his determination to overcome sin, his promise to feed us, and his ultimate sacrifice.

When we remember the soldiers who have for died for our freedom we remember how important it is to fight against oppression and injustice. When we remember the sacrifices our parents have made for us we remember to do them credit in everything we achieve. When we come together to share in Holy Communion, we remember that we are offered the sustenance to step out of church and live Christ's memory in everything we do.

PARISH PRAYER - Father, pour out your Spirit upon our parish. Grant us a new vision of your glory, a new faithfulness to your Word, and a new consecration to your service; that your love might grow among us and your Kingdom come. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

PARISH OF THE SACRED HEART AND ST MARGARET MARY

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7 JUNE 2015 – THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI), SOLEMNITY

Weekend Masses – Page 85 of Parish Mass Book

Saturday	6.00 pm		<i>(Angelus)</i>
Sunday	9.00 am		
	11.00 am	People of the Parish	<i>(Angelus)</i>

Confession/Reconciliation - Saturday at 5.30 - 5.55 pm

Weekday Services *[Morning Prayer – Psalter Week 2]*

Mon.	10.00 am	- Feria
Tues.	No Mass today	- Feria
	7.30 pm	Queen of Peace Prayer Group – in Emmaus Room
Weds.	10.00 am	- Feria
Thurs.	No Mass today	- St Barnabas, Apostle
Fri.	10.00 am	UCM - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Solemnity (our patronal Feast)
Sat.	10.30 am	- Feria
	6.00 pm	Tony Hannon - 11 th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Anniversaries this week: William Finn , Desirée Jenkins, Mary Horsburgh, Josephine Reeves, Barry Williams, Francis McCarthy, Arthur & Marguerite Dunkley, Vincent Stewart. *May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

Mission Appeal - We welcome Sister Daphne Norden to make the Annual Mission Appeal at all Masses this weekend. Thanks to Enda Perrin for accommodating Sister Daphne this weekend.

Corpus Christi Procession at Oxborough Hall will be at 3.00 pm this Sunday. Please take a ticket from the back of the church. Everybody welcome.

Money Matters (*O yes, it does!*) – The collection last weekend was £459.88. Thank you very much.

Red Missionary Boxes - Donal Hannon writes: 'It is now over six months since the Red Boxes were last counted and the money sent off to Missio (APF). So please will you bring your boxes to church over the next two Sundays, so that there can be another count and the monies sent to Missio. Thank you.

The Parish Finance Committee meets this Tuesday, 9th June at 7.30 pm in the Presbytery.

SVP Conference meets this Wednesday, 10th June at 7.30 pm in the Emmaus Room.

The Deanery Meeting is on Thursday in King's Lynn this week. I believe that this will be the last meeting for this parish as part of the King's Lynn Deanery (St. Wilfred). I believe that we will be part of the Norwich Deanery hereafter or as it was in the beginning!

Union of Catholic Mothers - This month's meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 10th at 2pm in the Emmaus room. Visitors and those wishing to know more about the work of the UCM are warmly welcomed to join us.

Mass on June 15th at 7.00 pm - This will be a Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart and celebrated by Bishop Alan. Bishop Alan is looking forward to being with us very much. When I was in Poringland last week I spoke with him about it and fixed the time. I would be very grateful if our servers, readers and musicians could be present at this Mass and a good sized congregation too! Refreshments will be available after mass either in the Emmaus Room or outside in the garden if it is fine. I told the bishop that he is not required to 'do anything' such as bless, consecrate or administer Confirmation. It is just a case of him being with us to celebrate Mass and meet the people of Sacred Heart Dereham.

Parish Gift Aid Scheme – Could parishioners who are members of the parish Gift Aid scheme let Rex Baker know if there has been any change in their payment of income tax for the financial year 2014-2015. In the absence of any such information, it will be assumed that you are still tax payers and the parish will reclaim tax from HRMC on the offertory donations you have made over the last financial year. If there are any parishioners who pay tax and are not part of the Gift Aid scheme and are willing to sign up please let Rex know, as this is a great way for the parish to get additional funds from the tax reclaim benefits. Last year the parish reclaimed in the order of £5000. You do not need to commit to an amount you contribute on an annual basis. Contact Rex Baker - telephone number 01362 694801 or email rexandrebecca@btinternet.com

Hospital Visits – If you or family members are admitted to the Norfolk & Norwich Hospital and would like a visit from the Roman Catholic Chaplain, please call St John's Cathedral, Norwich (01603 624615). If you would like to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the sick before going to hospital, please contact Fr. Brendan on 01362 694066.

Month of the Sacred Heart - Since the 16th century Catholic piety has assigned entire months to special devotions. The month of June is set apart for devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. June is traditionally the month when Catholics are urged to show special devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Devotion to the Sacred Heart is the celebration of God's love for us. The Sacred Heart is the symbol of the eternal love by which "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son". (John 3:16)



Environment Sunday - 7th June - The Sunday nearest to World Environment Day is celebrated as Environment Sunday. The Christian Ecology Link suggests we make time to drag our children away from their computers and get them out and about, appreciating the great outdoors and celebrating the environment we need to conserve for the good of all.

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The patriot's blood is the seed of Freedom's tree.

Thomas Campbell