

St Clare's Catholic Church

## CORPUS CHRISTI

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus

18<sup>th</sup> June 2017



Today's feast celebrates the greatest gift that Jesus left to His Church: the Eucharist. This gift contains everything that Jesus is and does for us: in this sacrament, He is present with us until the end of time, as He promised; here at the altar, we celebrate His life-giving sacrifice on the cross; here He feeds us with His very own life, so that He dwells within us, and we are drawn into union with Him. Here He calls us into communion with



Him and with each other. In the Eucharist He feeds us with the food which helps us on our journey to eternal life. In the words of Pope Pius X: "Holy Communion is the shortest and safest way to Heaven. There are others: Innocence, for instance, but that is for little children. Penance, but we are afraid of it. Generous endurance of the trials of life, but when they come we weep and ask to be spared. The surest, easiest, shortest way is by the Eucharist."

## FOCUS ON... Day of Renewal

The Days of Renewal are a great opportunity to spend time in prayer, listening to inspiring speakers and praising God through music. This coming Saturday the guest speaker is Gary Stephens, a full time Catholic Lay Evangelist with over 25yrs experience in speaking and healing ministry. The theme of the day is: "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness" (2 Cor 12:9). The day starts with the Parish Mass at 10am, followed by a time of praising God through music, inspiring talks, adoration and an opportunity for healing prayer and reconciliation. Bring a packed lunch, refreshments provided. All welcome.

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## MASSES THIS WEEK – Mass Book Page 83

Office: Psalter week 3; Sundays: Year A; Weekdays: Year I, Week 11

Date	Time	Occasion	Intention/Details
Saturday	6pm (vigil)	<b>CORPUS CHRISTI</b>	Baby Martha McLoughlin
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am		Fr John Donlan RIP
	6pm		For the Confirmandi
Monday	9:15am		Richard Anderton RIP
	5:15pm		<i>Mass in hospital chapel</i>
Tuesday	7pm		For treatment & healing
Wednesday	9:15am	St Aloysius Gonzaga	Ann & Bill Rowland
Thursday	9:15am	<b>St John Fisher &amp; St Thomas More</b>	Jack Burton RIP
Friday	12noon	<b>The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</b>	Jim Morris RIP
Saturday	10am	<b>Nativity of St John the Baptist</b>	Eddie Sinnott RIP
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup>	6pm (vigil)	<b>Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	Mary & Ronald Airey RIP
	7pm (vigil)		<i>NeoCatechumenal Way</i>
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am		People of the Parish
	6pm		Peter Cassidy RIP

**LATELY DEAD:** Please keep in your prayers **Fr Fabien (Brian) Cunliffe O'Car**m, and all who have died recently.

### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday-Friday 7-8am; Saturdays 10:30am-noon (for vocations).

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 11am-12noon.

**ROSARY:** Mysteries of Light prayed after 9:15am Mass, and before 12noon Mass on Fridays. These prayers are offered for the protection of life at all stages.

**ANGELUS:** Said at 12noon on Fridays, at the start of Mass.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Irena Iavertino, Ella Smith, James Morgan, Doreen Dewhurst, Bill Byrne, Mary Morgan, Monica Sharpe.

**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JUNE:** That a culture of dialogue, listening, and mutual respect may prevail among peoples, and that where secularization is strongest, Christian communities may effectively promote a new evangelization.

**CONFIRMATIONS** take place this Sunday at 6pm Mass. We welcome Bishop Campbell, who will celebrate this sacrament with our young people. Please keep in your prayers all those to be confirmed, and their families.

**COMPANY OF ST URSULA:** Congratulations to Sue Lawrenson, who made her first vows in consecrated life, as a member of the Company of St Ursula, on Friday evening. Please pray for Sue, and for all who are discerning their vocation.

**DAY OF RENEWAL:** taking place this Saturday, beginning with Mass at 10am. The day is led by Gary Stephens. All welcome. See front page, and poster in porch.

**SACRED HEART:** this coming Friday is the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (Mass at 12noon). This Friday is **not** a day of abstinence, but a feast day.

**SUMMER FAIR RAFFLE TICKETS:** please return these to the box in the porch.

**DEANERY CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION:** This Sunday, 2pm beginning at St Walburge's. This procession is for all the Preston churches. There is plenty of parking available in the church car park, and also at the UCLAN car park on Pedder Street. This procession is a great opportunity for prayer and also an important act of witness to our faith in the Real Presence of Jesus. Please make every effort to attend. More about eucharistic processions on the front page.

**ANOINTED** is not meeting at St Clare's this week, due to the confirmations. The group is on again as normal from next Sunday.

**LOURDES YOUTH PILGRIMAGE:** There are still vacancies for young people (school year 11+) who wish to travel to Lourdes with the Diocesan Pilgrimage (19-29 July). The parish may be able to help with funding. If interested, please speak to Fr Andrew. There is also a **vacancy in the Youth Service** for a retreat leader – could it be you? Details at [www.castleriggmanor.co.uk](http://www.castleriggmanor.co.uk)

**LARK HILL ASSOCIATION:** Annual Meeting for Past Pupils of Lark Hill House School held at Cardinal Newman College, on Saturday June 24th at 2pm. A chance to meet with friends.

**LADYEWELL:** Diocesan Annual Pilgrimage with Bishop Campbell. Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July starts 11am with Mass at St. Mary's Church followed by Procession to the Well.

**SPUC MEETING:** 'Stopping Abortion in the UK', 26<sup>th</sup> June 7-9pm at St Wilfrid's.

**CTFB:** pilgrimage to Liverpool Anglican Cathedral, Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September. Cost £26 including transport and lunch. Book early – forms available in the porch.

**FAIRTRADE TALK:** 'Keeping hope alive with olive oil and soap', Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June, 7:30pm at Fulwood Methodist Church. All welcome. See poster for more details.

**LAST WEEK:** Attended: 480; Collection: £1074.85. Thank you.

## **This Week** (one-off/occasional/new events are listed in bold type)

<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>What?</b>	<b>Where?</b>
Sat/Sun	At Mass	<b>Food Bank Collection</b>	Garage
Saturday	9am	Pilates	Parish Hall
	10:30am	Spanish Class	Parish Hall
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	9:30am	Children's liturgy	At Mass
	4:30pm	Young Adults Group	Church
Mon -Fri	9am	Pre-school	Parish Hall
	3:20pm	After-school club	Parish Hall
Monday	6pm	Cubs	Parish Hall
	7:30pm	Scouts	Parish Hall
Tuesday	7:30pm	Prayer Group	Chapel
Wednesday	6pm	Seekers (years 4-6)	Parish Hall
	7.30pm	NCW Liturgy of the Word	Chapel
Thursday	6:15pm	Beavers	Parish Hall
Saturday	9am	Pilates	<b>School</b>
	10:30am	Spanish Class	<b>School</b>
	10:30am	<b>Day of Renewal - Gary Stephens</b>	Parish Hall
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	9:30am	Children's liturgy	At Mass
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### **Advance Diary Dates**

26 June: Parish Council, 7:30pm

29 June: Feast of Saints Peter and Paul, Holy Day of Obligation

30 June: Parish/School Summer Fair

11 July: St Clare's school summer production, 2pm

12 July: ACN Portraits of Faith exhibition at St Clare's

13-16 July: 40 Hours Eucharistic Adoration (Quarant'ore)

### **National Catholic Youth Survey**

For young people aged 13-29. The Church wants to hear your views! Visit <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/parish-youth-poll> to participate. Feedback will be helpful to the Pope and bishops meeting for a Synod on youth next year.