

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE SOMEONE TO BE PRAYED FOR BY THE PARISH PLEASE LET FATHER DAVID, A PARISH SISTER OR A CHURCH WARDEN KNOW**

**Funerals:** Ted Salt Thursday 7th June 1.45pm followed by burial (Field Rd), reception into Church Wednesday 6th June (4.00pm), Asli Abnoos Friday 8th June 1.00pm followed by burial (Willenhall Lawn)

**Please pray for those who have died:** Asli Abnoos

**Please keep in your prayers:** Baby Rebekah, Melanie Keenan, Len Prothero, Pat O'Loan, Mary McCrank, Bernard Turner, Zofia Przybylko, Margaret David, Cyril Nugent, Peter Partridge, Sister Francis Sculley, Christine Watson, Veronica Raybould, Fr. Tim Burke, Margaret Keogh, Edna Penman, Sarah Smith, Jim Malachy, Jess Pandya, Loiuise Lyons, Fiona McNabb, Alice Plant, Alan Marshall, Irene Lee, Geraldine McCarthy, John & Bridie McDonagh, Jane McDonagh, Margaret Hunt, Alan Steven, Sandra Millard, Mary Hawthorne, Andrew Hughes, Rita Sargent, Mrs. Bloomfield, Carol Price, Tricia Smith, Phyllis Powell, Mary Wright, Peter Ball, John Chapman, Canon Gerry Breen, Cath Fallows

**Pope Francis' May Prayer Intention:** that social networks may work towards that inclusiveness which respects other for their differences.

# St. Peter's Catholic Church, Bloxwich

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PARISH	<b>Saturday 2nd June/Sunday 3rd June</b>	B: Year
NEWSLETTER	<b>SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI</b>	II: Week
HYMN NOS.	Entrance <b>674</b> Offertory <b>870</b> Communion <b>730</b> Recessional <b>72/663</b>	II: EP
		II EUCHARIST: Pref.



Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI has said this about the Feast of Corpus Christi (Body of Christ): "What does Corpus Christi mean to me?...It is a day on which heaven and earth work together. In my mind's eye it is the time when spring is turning into summer; the sun is high in the sky, and crops are ripening in field and meadow. The Church's feasts make present the mystery of Christ, but Jesus Christ was immersed in the faith of the people of Israel and so, arising from this background in Israel's life, the Christian feasts are also involved with the rhythm of the year, the rhythm of seedtime and harvest.... **Here this fruit of the earth, bread, is privileged to be the bearer of him in whom heaven and earth, God and man have become one.** The way the Church's feasts fit in with the seasons of the year is therefore not an accident... [Corpus Christi] is close to the Feast of the Trinity...It is only because God himself is the eternal dialogue of love that he can speak and be spoken to. Only because he himself is relationship can we relate to him; only because he is love can he love and be loved in return. Only because he is threefold can he be the grain of wheat which dies and the bread of eternal life. Ultimately, then, *Corpus Christi* is an expression of faith in God, in love, in the fact that God is love... In one of his *Corpus Christi* hymns Thomas Aquinas puts it beautifully: "love does not consume": it gives and, in giving, receives. And in giving it is not used up but renews itself. Since *Corpus Christi* is a confession of faith in love, it is totally appropriate that the day should focus on the mystery of transubstantiation. Love is transubstantiation, transformation. *Corpus Christi* tells us: **Yes, there is such a thing as love, and therefore there is transformation, therefore there is hope**". After the weekend masses we will have a moment of time to adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

## OPEN DOOR

**PARISH CENTRE on MON JUNE 4TH**  
10am-12pm.

Cheese/Ham toasties, soup, tea/  
coffee served.

Everyone welcome, bring a friend,  
spread the word.

## WALSINGHAM TUES 3rd JULY

**Departs 5:30am : Returns 11:00am**  
from Parish Centre. Total Cost: £43.

Includes coach, ticket to Abbey  
Grounds, meal on return. Bring  
packed lunch. **Booking: via Angela**  
**Wyre 01922 682852 by end of May.**

**CONFESSIONS:** Sat 10.00 to 10.45am      **ADORATION:** Sat 9.45-10.45am

**BAPTISMS:** Sun at 11:45am by appointment      **ROSARY:** 20 mins before mass

**REFRESHMENTS:** After Sat 11:00am and Sun 10:00am Masses. **All Welcome**

**MARIAN DEVOTIONS:** Glories of Mary Prayer Group—Fri 2.00pm Parish Hall

**CHOIR:** Sing at 10.00am mass and all major celebrations. **Anyone can join.**

**\*\* CHILDREN'S LITURGY \*\*:** During Sun 10:00am Mass

**DIVINE MERCY FLOWER TRIBUTE** "Linda Kelly anniversary". Donated by Leisal James and Aurora Lynn. & "Thanksgiving for the 1 year anniv. of Fr. David in the Parish." Donated by Sharon

**PLEASE TAKE AWAY THE NEWSLETTER TO SHARE WITH OTHERS**  
*This newsletter can be received via email—see Parish Website*

## MASS TIMES, FEAST DAYS and MASS INTENTIONS

Mass cards and intention envelopes are available from the Piety Stall and Sacristy

Sat 2 Jun	11.00am	Our Lady on Saturday	The suffering Church
Sat 2 Jun	5.30pm	<b>CORPUS CHRISTI (Vigil)</b>	Ted Salt RIP/ Tess Coussens Thanksgiving
Sun 3 Jun	10.00am	<b>CORPUS CHRISTI</b>	Ken Thanker (very poorly)
Mon 4 Jun	6.30pm	Ordinary time <i>feria</i> ( <b>Mass in Church</b> )	Peter Doughty (anniv)
Tue 5 Jun	10.00am	Memorial of St. Boniface	Angela Cox RIP
Wed 6 Jun	8.40am	Memorial of St. Norbert ( <b>Mass in St Thomas More School</b> )	Len Prothero
Wed 6 Jun	10.00am	Memorial of St. Norbert	Bes Du Cille RIP
Wed 6 Jun	4.00pm	Reception into Church	Ted Salt (RIP)
Wed 6 Jun	6.00pm	Memorial of St. Norbert ( <b>Mass in Convent</b> )	Sister Norbert (IHM) Ints.
Thu 7 Jun	9.30am	<b>Mass in St. Peter's School</b>	Sick of the parish
Thu 7 Jun	1.45pm	Requiem Mass	Ted Salt RIP
Fri 8 Jun	10.00am	<b>THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS</b>	Les Jones anniv.
Fri 8 Jun	1.00pm	Requiem Mass	Asli Abnoos RIP
Sat 9 Jun	11.00am	Immaculate Heart of Mary	Joseph Hugh Mahon (1st anniv).
Sat 9 Jun	5.30pm	<b>10th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)</b> Baptism in mass — Lena Nena Mistry	Irena Bocian (birthday) Josef (birthday anniv)
Sun 10 Jun	10.00am	<b>10th Sunday in Ordinary Time (First Holy Communion)</b>	Children making their First Holy Communion

### Question: Why are there 2 Eucharistic Species, the Host and Chalice, instead of just 1?

Answer: Jesus, His body, blood, soul and divinity, is present in both the chalice and host. Therefore, when you receive the Host you receive both the Chalice and Host and *vice versa*. However, God gives us His body and blood in distinct forms because the Eucharist is a sacrifice. As a sacrifice, the body and blood are separate on the altar just as Jesus' blood was shed from His body on the Cross.

Last Sunday's Collection		Counting Team	<b>PARISH CENTRE BOOKING</b> Please contact George Pitt 07926 636159 or <a href="http://www.stpetersbloxwich.org.uk/booking.html">www.stpetersbloxwich.org.uk/booking.html</a>
Gift Aid	<b>£170.00</b>	This week <b>M</b>	
Non-Gift Aid	<b>£290.52</b>	Next week <b>Mck</b>	
2nd Collection	<b>None</b>	<b>May</b> Standing Orders	
		<b>End of month</b>	The value of your donation is increased <b>25%</b> if Gift-Aided - forms available from sacristy

**DATA PROTECTION FOR GIFT AID:** The information you give will be held securely and only used for making Gift Aid repayments. It will not be used for marketing nor shared with, or sold to, any other organisation.

**PIETY STALL:** Rosaries, Mass Cards, Statues, Prayer Cards etc (Also available from sacristy)

## THANK YOU SISTER NORBERT

Thank you to Sister Norbert for preparing the weekday service of Word and Communion. Sister Norbert convenes the Glories of Mary Prayer Group every Friday at 2.00pm in the Parish Centre. Please come along. **Also on Wednesday 6th June it is Sister Norbert's Feast Day and we will celebrate mass for her in the IHM Convent at 6.00pm. All welcome.** Saint Norbert (1080 - 1134) came from a noble family and lived a worldly life at the courts of the Archbishop of Cologne and the Emperor Henry V. At the age of 35 he had a narrow escape from death and his life changed. He became a priest and was full of reforming zeal, which so antagonized the clergy that they denounced him as a hypocrite. So he sold or gave away all his possessions and made his way to the Pope Gregory VII who gave him permission to preach wherever he was. He angered the clergy who lived a lax life and also the laity that had taken over Church buildings. Attempts were made to murder him. He died of natural causes in 1134 as Archbishop of Magdeburg. Our Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mother of Christ Sisters (IHM) will also be renewing their vows on the **Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (11:00am Mass Saturday 9th June)** in Church. All welcome.

### SACRED HEART OF JESUS

**Friday 8th June 10.00am.** Devotion to the Sacred Heart, promoted by St. Margaret Mary, represents a devotion to Jesus in his human nature, in particular referring to the heart as the seat of the emotions.

## PILGRIMAGE NEXT SUNDAY

Pope Francis has said: "how many of you pray for persecuted Christians?" Christians are the most persecuted people around the world. **Next Sunday (June 10th)** a speaker from Pakistan will tell of her experiences as a Catholic in that Country at Our Lady of Lourdes in Hednesford (WS12 1DB). In addition there will be rosary, benediction and evening prayer (**time 3pm-5pm**).

### UCM

**Meeting: Monday 4th June 7.00pm.** They are still collecting **USED POSTAGE STAMPS** - for the Beacon Centre for the Blind. **USED COMPUTER CARTRIDGES** - for the Walsall Samaritans. **OLD MOBILE PHONES** - for *Missio* (Red Box) The Mill Hill Missions **USED SPECTACLES** - for overseas developing countries. If you are a woman and would like to help the UCM with the charitable activities please come along to the meeting.

### RED BOXES

It is time to 'swap' over our 'Red Boxes'. New boxes are available in the sacristy. Just leave your old boxes and take a new box. If you would like to sign up for a box and take one there is a sign-up sheet too. *Missio* is the Catholic Church's official charity for overseas mission where there is poverty in the world. Sue Kennedy is our *Missio* promoter.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Next Sunday: The children of Saint Peter's School and the Parish will be making their First Holy Communion. Please keep them in your prayers that they will develop a personal relationship with our Lord in the Eucharist.