

# PARISH OF THE ENGLISH MARTYRS

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**3<sup>rd</sup> June 2018- CORPUS CHRISTI, Year B**

**10<sup>th</sup> June 2018- 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year B**



Day & Time	Mass or Service	Mass Intention	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat. 6pm	<b>CORPUS CHRISTI</b>	<b>Stanley Ward</b>	Thursdays 6-7pm
Sun. 10.30am	<b>CORPUS CHRISTI</b>	<b>Cornish Family</b>	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confessions</b>
Mon. 7pm	Feria	Linda Grewer	Saturdays 5.20-5.50pm; Thursdays 6.15-6.35pm
Tue. 10am	St Boniface, Bp M	Joyce Ann Beyer	<b>SICK</b> Please pray for: Derek Atkins, Rosemary Broadbent, Christopher Browne, Betty Freed, Kathleen Grice, Jean Halford, Eamon Heslop, Teresa McCann, Callum McKenzie, Manuel Montoro-Blanch, Mary Wallace, Matthew Wilde, Dolores Williams, Christopher.
Wed. 2pm	St Norbert, Bp	Dorothy Lancaster	<b>FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2017-18</b>
Thur. 7pm	Feria	John Hayes	<u>Rehearsal in church</u> 11.40am, Sun. 3 <sup>rd</sup> June
Fri. 10am	Sacred Heart of Jesus	Danny Hirst & Family	<u>Celebration Mass</u> 10.30am, Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> June
Sat. 6pm	<b>Sunday 10, Ordinary Time</b>	<b>For the People</b>	<b>FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2018-19</b>
Sun. 10.30am	<b>Sunday 10, Ordinary Time</b>	<b>Raymond Myers</b>	Application forms in porch. Please complete and return
Mon. 7pm	St Barnabas, Ap.	Special Intention	
Tue. 10am	Feria	Joe Gracey	
Wed. 2pm	St Anthony of Padua Pr Dr	Esther Styan	
Thur. 7pm	Feria	For the Pilgrims	
Fri. 10am	Feria	Terence Daley	
Sat. 6pm	<b>Sunday 11, Ordinary Time</b>	<b>Margaret Richmond</b>	
Sun. 10.30am	<b>Sunday 11, Ordinary Time</b>	Roberto & Raffaella Salsi	

## CONGRATULATIONS CONFIRMANDI

Congratulations to our young parishioners who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on 22<sup>nd</sup> May. May the blessings of the Holy Spirit deepen the faith of them all and equip them for their future vocations in the Church. Great thanks to the parents and Catechists for all their help in bringing the Confirmandi to this happy time.

### Confirmation Celebration Mass

5pm Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> June. Our Lady's Church

After participating in the Mass, the recently Confirmed will be having a shared supper in the Parish Hall. Please bring along a savoury or sweet dish to share, drinks will be provided. Everyone is invited.

**PARISH BAR B Q** 11.30am, Sun. 17<sup>th</sup> June

Donations of cakes, plants and tombola prizes will be very welcome. Thank you.

Tickets: £5 adult. £2 child. £10 family

**PLANT SALE** If you are growing plants from seed/take cuttings and have any extra plants we will be glad to take them off your hands and grow them on. A max of 5 plants per type would be good so that we have a wide variety at the Parish BBQ. Many thanks, Fiona & Micky

**CATHOLIC SINGLES** is an organisation which helps single Catholics of all ages (18+ yrs) meet other single Catholics, either one to one or through social events.

Info. [www.catholicsingles.org.uk](http://www.catholicsingles.org.uk) T. 0161 941 3498

## YORK NEWMAN CIRCLE

Monday 4 June AGM at 7.15 pm followed by talk by Doug Robertson, member of the Sion Community: **The Sion Community and Parish Missions**, at 7.30 pm, Bar Convent. Tea and coffee will be available from 7pm. Members £1.00, non-members £2.00, students free. All Welcome. For further information please contact Judith Smeaton: 01904 704525  
[judith.smeaton@btinternet.com](mailto:judith.smeaton@btinternet.com)

**MAKE HUMMUS NOT WALLS** taking a fresh look at the Palestine and Israel situation, entitled with Anthony Glaister. 7.30pm, Mon 11<sup>th</sup> June St Bede's Pastoral Centre. A York Ecumenical Justice and Peace Group event.

## Living Theology 2018:

**Thy Will be done? Healing God's World**  
14-15<sup>th</sup> July 2018, Bar Convent  
Cost £60 (£30 a day, students half price) incl. Lunches & refreshments. Subjects incl.: Justice & Environmentalism; Religion & peace-building; Medieval Christianity in the North; Supporting Victims of Trafficking; Supporting Asylum Seekers. Info.: T. Patricia on 01642 645 732. E. Brenda at [fazikasbrenda@btinternet.com](mailto:fazikasbrenda@btinternet.com)  
W. [Jesuit.org.uk/living-theology-york-2018](http://Jesuit.org.uk/living-theology-york-2018)

**COLLECTION 20.5.18:** £547.08 (£237.48 Loose, £309.60 Gift Aid) Thank you. **Second Collection 17 June**

**COLLECTION 27.5.18:** £750.44 (£328.04 Loose, £422.40 Gift Aid) Thank you. **Day for Life - Anscombe Bioethics**

**100 Club:** 20.5.18 T. Burton (65); 27.5.18 S. Hardgrave (33)

**GIFT AID:** If you pay tax you can make a Gift Aid Declaration. Tel. Martin Nicholson 868743

**HOSPITAL:** If you or someone you know enters hospital and would like to see a Catholic Chaplain make an explicit request in the hospital &/or also contact Fr John or the SVP Society Tel. 07709 899246. Hospital Chaplaincy number: 01904 631313.

**PARENTS:** Please ensure your children are supervised when they go to the hall.

## POPE FRANCIS - GENERAL AUDIENCE - Paul VI Audience Hall - Wednesday, 3 January 2018

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*Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning!*

Resuming the catecheses on the Eucharistic celebration, let us consider today, in the context of the Introductory Rites, the *Penitential Act*. In its sobriety, it favours the attitude with which we are prepared to worthily celebrate the holy mysteries, that is, by acknowledging our sins before God and our brothers and sisters, acknowledging that we are sinners. In fact the priest's invitation is addressed to the whole community in prayer, because we are all sinners. What can the Lord give to one whose heart is already filled with self-importance, with one's own success? Nothing, because a presumptuous person is incapable of receiving forgiveness, as he is satisfied by his presumed righteousness. Let us consider the parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector, where only the latter — the tax collector — returns home justified, that is, forgiven (cf. Lk 18:9-14). One who is aware of his own wretchedness and lowers his gaze with humility feels God's merciful gaze set upon him. We know through experience that only one who is able to acknowledge his mistakes and apologize receives the understanding and forgiveness of others.

Quietly listening to the voice of our conscience allows us to recognize that our thoughts are far from divine thoughts, that our words and our actions are often worldly, guided, that is, by choices contradictory to the Gospel. Therefore, at the beginning of Mass, as a community, we perform the Penitential Act through a formula of *general confession*, recited in the *first person singular*. Each one confesses to God and to his brothers and sisters to having "greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do". Yes, even in omissions, that is, in having neglected to do the good I could have done. We often feel that we are good because — we say — "I did no harm to anyone". In reality, it is not enough to refrain from doing harm to our neighbour; we must choose to do good, by seizing opportunities to bear good witness that we are disciples of Jesus. It is good to emphasize that we confess to being sinners *both to God and to our brothers and sisters*: this helps us understand the dimension of sin which, while separating us from God, also divides us from our brothers and sisters, and vice versa. Sin severs: sin severs the relationship with God and it severs the relationship with brothers and sisters, relationships within the family, in society and in the community: sin always severs; it separates; it divides.

The words we say with our mouth are accompanied by the *gesture of striking our breast*, acknowledging that I have sinned through my own fault and not that of others. Indeed, it often happens that, out of fear or shame, we point a finger to blame others. It costs us to admit being at fault, but it does us good to confess it sincerely. Confess your own sins. I remember an anecdote that an elderly missionary used to tell, of a woman who went to confession and started speaking about her husband's failings. Then she moved on to talk about her mother-in-law's failings and then the sins of her neighbours. At a certain point, the confessor said to her: "But, madam, tell me: have you finished? — Very well: you have finished with the sins of others. Now start telling your own". Tell your own sins!

After the confession of sins, we ask the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Angels and Saints to pray to the Lord for us. In this too, the *communion of Saints* is valuable: that is, the intercession of these "companions and life examples" (cf. Preface of 1 November) supports us on the journey toward full communion with God, when sin will be abolished once and for all.

In addition to "I confess", the Penitential Act can be performed with other formulae, for example: "Have mercy upon us, O Lord, / for we have sinned against thee. / Show us thy mercy, O Lord, / and grant us thy salvation" (cf. Ps 123[122]:3; Jer 14:20; Ps 85:8). Especially on Sundays, the blessing and sprinkling of water may be performed as a reminder of Baptism (cf. *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 51), which washes away all sins. It is also possible, as part of the Penitential Act, to sing the *Kyrie eleison*: with the ancient Greek expression, we praise the Lord — *Kyrios* — and implore his mercy (*ibid.*, 52).

Sacred Scripture offers us luminous examples of "penitent" figures who, coming back into themselves after having committed sin, find the courage to take off the mask and open themselves to the grace that renews the heart. Let us think of King David and the words attributed to him in the Psalm: "Have mercy on me, O God, according to thy steadfast love; according to thy abundant mercy blot out my iniquity" (cf. 51[50]:1-2). Let us consider the prodigal son who returns to the father: "God, be merciful to me a sinner" (Lk 18:13). Let us also think of Saint Peter, of Zacchaeus, of the Samaritan woman. Measuring ourselves with the fragility of the clay of which we are molded is an experience that strengthens us: as it makes us take account of our weakness, it opens our heart to invoke the divine mercy which transforms and converts. And this is what we do in the Penitential Act at the beginning of Mass.