



# ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, HORSHAM PARISH NEWSLETTER

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi), Year A | 7th June 2026

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## MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Holy Mass Open to Parishioners and Live-streamed

### 6<sup>th</sup> June – Saturday, St Norbert, Bishop (Memorial)

**10:00 am Mass** - Ambi Kochikkat RIP and Paulose Vithayathil RIP

*Followed by Confession, Adoration & Benediction*

**1:00 pm - Signed Mass**

*5:15 pm to 5:45 pm - Confession*

**6:00 pm Vigil Mass** - Antony Leaver RIP

### 7<sup>th</sup> June – Sunday, The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Solemnity)

**9:15 am Mass** - Pro Populo

*(with Eucharistic Procession)*

**11:15 am Mass** - Terry Warwick RIP

*(with Eucharistic Procession)*

**NO POLISH MASS**

**5:00 pm - Italian Mass**

### 8<sup>th</sup> June – Monday, Feria in Ordinary Time, Week 10

**N.B. 10:00 am Mass** - Brian Donoughue RIP

### 9<sup>th</sup> June – Tuesday, Feria in Ordinary Time, Week 10

**NO MASS**

*10:30 am to 3:00 pm – Adoration*

*(Pray for Vocations to the Priesthood)*

### 10<sup>th</sup> June – Wednesday, Feria in Ordinary Time, Week 10

**NO MASS**

**(12:00 noon - Mass at Our Lady of Consolation and St Francis, West Grinstead)**

*6:00 pm - Polish Adoration*

**7:00 pm - Polish Mass**

### 11<sup>th</sup> June – Thursday, St Barnabas, Apostle (Memorial)

**12:00 noon Mass** - In Thanksgiving for Jisha

### 12<sup>th</sup> June – Friday, The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (Solemnity)

**12:00 noon Mass** - Intentions of the Austin and McDonogh Families

*Followed by Confession*

*7:00 pm - Rosary & Adoration*

### 13<sup>th</sup> June – Saturday, The Immaculate Heart of Mary (Memorial)

**10:00 am Mass** - Varghese & Mary Varghese Pookombil RIP

*Followed by Confession, Adoration & Benediction*

*5:15 pm to 5:45 pm - Confession*

**6:00 pm Vigil Mass** - Devassy Kallrackal RIP

### 14<sup>th</sup> June – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

**9:15 am Mass** - Philomena Maguire RIP

**11:15 am Mass** - Geoff Weaving RIP

**1:45 pm - Polish Mass**

**5:00 pm - Italian Mass**

## Useful Contacts

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your generous donations,  
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to donate.



## Last Week's Collection

**£2,892.62**

(£1,142.62 Offertory;  
£1,750 Standing Orders).

## Second Collection

No Collections.

Thank You

You could add 25p to every £1  
you give by joining Gift Aid.

**PLEASE NOTE: VIDEO RECORDING IS NOT ALLOWED DURING MASS WITHOUT PRIOR PERMISSION.**

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It may surprise us to learn that the amazing feast of Corpus Christi (which here in England we currently celebrate on this Sunday) owes its origins to a teenage girl! This remarkable woman was a 13th-century Belgian nun named Juliana. St Juliana, who had a lifelong devotion to the Blessed Sacrament, entered religious life at the age of 13, serving in a hospice for lepers run by her community. From the age of 16 on, she had a series of visions of the full moon obscured by a strange, dark spot. She came to understand that the moon represented the splendour of the Church's liturgical year, a year full of the celebrations of Christ's mysteries - but there was still something missing from it: a feast in honour of Christ present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. After much suffering and toil, Juliana and other faithful women persuaded the Pope, Urban IV, of the importance of such a feast, and he commissioned his friend St Thomas Aquinas to compose the beautiful prayers and hymns we will hear today, such as the hymn *Tantum ergo* and the Sequence after the 2nd Reading, the *Lauda Sion*.

Nothing is missing from God's perfection, but there are many spots and blights disfiguring our world, which is "groaning" as St Paul says in the Letter to the Romans, in anticipation of Christ's coming. In particular, looking out we see disunity, conflict and war. The Eucharist is unique in its power to both represent our unity in the Church, and to create and foster that unity, ultimately revealed in the Kingdom of Heaven. The *Lauda Sion* Sequence we will hear sums up this harmony in its last verse: "*Nothing is beyond Your view and power/Who mortals feed with such food in this hour/Set us at your Table, up above/Co-heirs, companions bound in love/In your Heavenly City.*"

As we adore and process with Jesus's Body today, offered up for the forgiveness of our sins, let us pray for - and be witnesses to - peace in the world.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**HOLD THE DATE – LEAVING PARTY FOR BARNABAS: FRIDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> JUNE** – Barnabas, our Visting Seminarian, will be leaving us on 23<sup>rd</sup> June, to return to the Venerable English College in Rome. On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June, we'll be having a Leaving Party for him in the Parish Hall – a '**Bring a Dish' Shared Supper** - starting at 7pm. Barnabas will be giving us a short talk on his experiences while he's been with us in the Parish. Everyone is welcome, so please do come along, so that we can give Barnabas one of our famous Parish send-offs and **please bring a dish with you, savoury or sweet, for people to share**. Drinks will be provided. There will be an opportunity to donate on the evening to a leaving gift for Barnabas.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** - On the weekend of 13th/14th June Michael Agius the Diocesan Adoration co-ordinator will give a presentation at our masses Saturday 6pm and Sunday 9.15/11.15. We are hoping to extend the hours of Adoration on Tuesdays.

**BEREAVEMENT CAFÉ** - The next meeting of our Bereavement Cafe will take place in the Parish Hall on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June, from 11am. Please do mention this to people you know who may benefit from an informal chat over tea and coffee. There are leaflets at the back of the church with more information.

**WAR HORSE AT THE NATIONAL THEATRE ON WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JUNE** - The coach will leave from the church at 11.30am. This should allow time to enjoy your packed lunch or visit the cafe before the performance at 2.15pm.

**GRANDPARENTS PILGRIMAGE AT THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION & ST FRANCIS, WEST GRINSTEAD, WEDNESDAY 17 JUNE 11AM – 3PM** - A day of sharing and prayer with other Grandparents with Mass, Benediction, Rosary, tours of the secret chapel and lots of chat. Please bring a packed lunch. To register: [Grandparents' Pilgrimage to West Grinstead \(17-Jun-2026\) · ChurchSuite Events](#). If you have any questions about the day please contact Deacon Simon South, Marriage & Family Life Adviser E: [simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk).

**CHURCH CLEANING** - The church is cleaned weekly usually on Wednesday morning when there is no Mass. We are in need of more willing hands. Can you spare half an hour or an hour alternate week? Depending on the response to this appeal it may be monthly!! If you can help please give your name and contact details to the Parish Office. Thank you in anticipation.

**DAY FOR LIFE (Sunday 21 June)** - Please pray for life! The Bishops' Conference invites us to publicise and join in the Novena in preparation for the forthcoming Day for Life. The Novena will run from Saturday 23 May to the Feast of the Visitation (Sunday 31 May). The full Novena is available via their website: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/novena-for-life/> The intentions of the Novena are: Day 1: Expectant Mothers; Day 2: Expectant Fathers; Day 3: The End of Abortion; Day 4: Unborn Children; Day 5: Healing after Abortion; Day 6: Mothers Choosing Adoption; Day 7: Civic Leaders; Day 8: For All who Support or Participate in Abortion; Day 9: For All who Defend Life.

**MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES MASS - Saturday 3 October, 11.30am at Arundel Cathedral.** Whether you are celebrating a special anniversary or simply giving thanks for your marriage this year, come and join us for our annual celebration of the joys and grace of sacramental marriage. Mass will be celebrated at 11.30am. There will also be a wonderful opportunity to renew your wedding vows during Mass. This will be followed by a small drinks reception in the Cathedral Centre. Family and friends are very welcome. To book your free place go to the Events page of the Diocesan website W: [www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events](http://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CYMFED FLAME CONGRESS 2027 AT THE OVO WEMBLEY ARENA ON SATURDAY 6 MARCH 2027 - early-bird ticket cost is £30 per person** You are invited to join the Youth team from the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton at CYMFed's Flame Congress. Flame Congress is organised by the Catholic Youth Ministry Federation (CYMDFed) and is designed for young people aged 14 and over to share their faith with over 10,000 others! If you are interested in attending, please speak to your Parish Priest or Youth Ministry leader. The early-bird ticket cost is £30 per person; this includes the price of the ticket and an A&B T-shirt. Ticket price will increase to £35 per person (including pass and T-shirt) after Monday 23rd November 2026. This event is 14+ and under 18's must be accompanied by an adult at all times. As you can imagine, the event is very popular so booking asap is essential. Any questions or concerns please contact our Youth Projects Officer, Bex Driver E: [bex.driver@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:bex.driver@abdiocese.org.uk).

## HEALING MASS

**On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June at 12 noon**, we will be holding a Mass of Healing, with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. As in previous years, the SVP is organising this celebration, providing transport to some of our parishioners and a reception in the Hall afterwards. All are very welcome! Fr Tristan would like to invite anyone who is needful to receiving the Sacrament of Anointing at this Mass, but to do so **you must register in advance to make sure we can accommodate numbers**. Not everyone can or needs to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, so before getting in touch, please read the following guide carefully.

### **A BRIEF GUIDE TO THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK**

#### **1. Who can be Anointed?**

*The Sacrament of the Sick is spoken about in the New Testament by St James (cf James 5:14-16) and is of special help to Catholics who are suffering bodily illness. According to the Church, its effect is to **strengthen the faith the sick person already has in God against the temptations** of the Evil One that he or she may experience during his/her suffering, and to **heal him/her from anxiety** over death.*

#### **If you or your loved one is all of the following:**

- A) a believing Catholic, over the age of seven, able to receive Holy Communion **and**
- B) has health seriously impaired by either sickness, or old age, or is about to undergo a serious operation, **and**
- C) is able to make their own decisions; or if not, would have certainly asked for the sacraments when they could

**...then they can and should receive this healing Sacrament without delay.**

#### **2. What if I cannot be Anointed on this occasion?**

*If you have read the above, but are unable to attend the Healing Mass, don't worry; Fr Tristan is happy to come to you and anoint you in your home at any available time; please don't hesitate to get in touch with the parish office.*

*Perhaps instead you have also read the above and feel that while you do not meet the criteria (A, B & C) you have a great need for healing in your life (perhaps through depression, grief, bereavement, family troubles and so on), then remember that the Church also provides two other great sacraments of renewal: the Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation) for the forgiveness of sins and the Sacrament of the Eucharist, which is the greatest sacrament of all, an encounter with Jesus Himself present in His Body and Blood. It is for the Eucharist that Reconciliation and Anointing in fact prepare us, and that complete those other sacraments. The Eucharist prepares us for heaven.*

**To register in advance to be Anointed, please contact Felicity Harrington at [PresidentA010810@svp.org.uk](mailto:PresidentA010810@svp.org.uk) or on 07765 778413 by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June. Many thanks!**

## LIVE SIMPLY "Live simply so others may simply live"

**"PEOPLE'S EMERGENCY BRIEFING" FILM SCREENING JUNE 26<sup>TH</sup>** - On Friday June 26th there will be a screening of this film, followed by group discussion, at Brighton Road Baptist Church, Horsham, RH13 5BD, from 7:30 until 9:30pm.

The film features leading UK experts on climate science, food security, health, economics, national security and nature. The film is designed to encourage a national conversation about the Climate Emergency. There are many other community screenings of this film if you can't make this one. More info at: <https://www.nebriefing.org>.

**Email [livesimply\\_stjohnshorsham@yahoo.com](mailto:livesimply_stjohnshorsham@yahoo.com) with your Live Simply questions and ideas.**

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

## THE COLLECT

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

## FIRST READING (Book of Deuteronomy 8:2-3,14b-16a)

Moses spoke to the people: You shall remember the whole way that the LORD your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD.

Do not forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrifying wilderness, with its fiery serpents and scorpions and thirsty ground where there was no water, who brought you water out of the flinty rock, who fed you in the wilderness with manna that your fathers did not know.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R: O Jerusalem, glorify the LORD!**

O Jerusalem, glorify the LORD!  
O Sion, praise your God!  
He has strengthened the bars of your gates;  
he has blessed your children within you. **R**

He established peace on your borders;  
he gives you your fill of finest wheat.  
He sends out his word to the earth,  
and swiftly runs his command. **R**

He reveals his word to Jacob;  
to Israel, his decrees and judgements.  
He has not dealt thus with other nations;  
he has not taught them his judgements. **R**

## SECOND READING (First Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 10:16-17)

Brothers and Sisters: The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SEQUENCE: *Lauda, Sion***

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia. I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live for ever. Alleluia.

## GOSPEL (John 6:51-58)

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

At that time: Jesus said to the Jews, 'I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live for ever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, 'How can this man give

us his flesh to eat?'

So Jesus said to them, 'Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like the bread the fathers ate, and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live for ever.'

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant your Church, O Lord, we pray, the gifts of unity and peace, whose signs are to be seen in mystery in the offerings we here present. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, O Lord, we pray, that we may delight for all eternity in that share in your divine life, which is foreshadowed in the present age by our reception of your precious Body and Blood. Who live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen**

## LET US PRAY FOR

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK INCLUDING

Celia Longley, Paul Wycliffe, Charlotte Curson, Edwina Slater,  
Tony Sefton, Baby Ruby, Sheila Pike, Bill Hughes,  
Geraldine Garvley, Ashley Elliott, Robin Sherfield, Helen Daly,  
Pat Danielian, Anne Mullarky, Vilma Marshall,  
Carolyn Whitefield, Sheila Budgen, Zoe Keane,  
Mark Wiesner, Brian Harris, Shane Campbell,  
Laura Rawlinson (Walshe), Grace Khushi, Amanda Molloy,  
Jarad Nunns, Gina Partridge, Margaret Georgeson,  
Jan Davies, Alan Frendo-Cumbo,  
and Katrina Sharpe.

### WE PRAY FOR

Josie Kennedy RIP, Craig Boswell RIP, Rosina Ricca RIP,  
Geoff Weaving RIP, Bruno Francisci RIP, and ALL HOLY SOULS.

## COLLECTIONS ANNOUNCEMENTS

**NO SECOND COLLECTIONS THIS WEEKEND.**

## OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THIS FRIDAY IS THE SOLEMNITY OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS.  
NO FRIDAY ABSTINENCE.**

## COFFEE AFTER 9:15 AM MASS HOST

**NO COFFEE AFTER MASS.**

## READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

**Reading 1** - Book of Exodus 19:2-6a

**Psalm** - Ps 100(99):1-2. 3. 5. R:3C

**Reading 2** - Letter of St Paul to the Romans 5:6-11

**Gospel** - Matthew 9:36-10:8