

# The Catholic Churches in Corby

✠ Our Lady of Walsingham  
Occupation Road, Corby, NN17 1EE

✠ St Brendan & St Patrick  
Beanfield Ave, Corby NN18 0AZ

✠ St John Ogilvie  
1 Copenhagen Road, Danesholme,  
Corby, NN18 9BX

**4<sup>th</sup> WEEK  
OF ADVENT - Yr A**  
**21<sup>st</sup> December 2025**

**Catholic Truth Society Missal Page: 42**  
**Parish Missal Page: 90**

**Sunday Psalm Response:**  
**Let the LORD enter; he is the king of glory.**

*N.B. See overleaf for Missal Page & Psalm Responses for Christmas Masses*

**December is the Month of the Immaculate  
Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**The Holy Father's Intentions for December '25:**

For Christians in areas of conflict.  
Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or  
conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds  
of peace, reconciliation and hope.

## PARISH DIRECTORY

**Parish Priest:** Fr Mark Floody  
**Assistant Priest:** Fr Liam Castle

**Parish Office Hours:** Tel: 01536 203121  
**At OLOW:** Monday, Tuesday,  
Thursday & Friday: 10.00am - 4.00pm  
and on Wednesday: 9.30am - 12.30 pm.  
**At St Brendan's:** Tuesday & Thursday Mornings

**Websites:** [ourladyofwalsinghamcorby.org](http://ourladyofwalsinghamcorby.org)  
[stbrendanscorby.org.uk](http://stbrendanscorby.org.uk)

**Safeguarding:**  
Diocesan Safeguarding: Danielle Dixon 07833050628  
At Our Lady of Walsingham: 07947485935  
At St Brendan's: see Catherine MacLellan  
At St John Ogilvie's: 07956363869

## PARISH CATHOLIC SCHOOLS:

St Brendan's Primary School: Beanfield Avenue, NN18 0AZ  
Tel: 01536 202491 [www.stbrendansprimarieschool.co.uk](http://www.stbrendansprimarieschool.co.uk)

St Patrick's Primary School: Patrick Road, NN18 9NT  
Tel: 01536 744447 [www.stpatricksprimarieschool.com](http://www.stpatricksprimarieschool.com)

Our Lady of Walsingham Primary School: Occupation Rd,  
Corby NN17 1EE Tel: 01536 203805  
[office@olw.cor.olicatschools.org](mailto:office@olw.cor.olicatschools.org)

## Masses & Devotions Celebrated this Week

### 20<sup>th</sup> December SATURDAY VIGIL MASSES THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (O Oriens - O Radiant Dawn)

Our Lady's	5:00pm	Patsy & William Currie RIP
St Brendan's	6:00pm	Sandra Carr RIP

### 21<sup>st</sup> December SUNDAY MASSES THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (O Oriens - O Radiant Dawn)

Our Lady's	8:30am	Charlie Lynn RIP
St Brendan's	9:00am	Emmie and Bill Davey RIP, Darcy Davey-Sutherland RIP and Ian Garvey RIP
Our Lady's	10:00am	Michael Scahill RIP
St Brendan's	11:00am	Joe & Lily O'Donnell RIP
St John Ogilvie's	5:00pm	People of the Parish
Our Lady's	2:00pm	CONFESSIONS

### WEEKDAY MASSES & DEVOTIONS

#### MONDAY of the 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Advent (O Rex Gentium - O King of the Nations)

Our Lady of Walsingham	10:30am	Funeral	Shay O'Connor R.I.P.
St Brendan's	6:00pm	Mass	John & Norah O'Leary RIP; Maggie Crawford RIP
St Brendan's	7:00pm	Penitential Service	

#### TUESDAY of the 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Advent (O Emmanuel - O God with us)

St Brendan's	9:30am	Mass	Theresa Roe RIP & Tina Mitchell INT Confessions (after Mass)
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### THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

#### WEDNESDAY - CHRISTMAS EVE - VIGILS & MASSES DURING THE NIGHT

Our Lady's	4:00pm	Children's Mass	Friel Family RIP
St Brendan's	4:00pm	Children's Mass	Lizzie Doran RIP
St John Ogilvie's	6:00pm	Evening Mass	Steve & Joe McElvanie RIP
St Brendan's	8:00pm	Evening Mass	Dave McAuthur RIP
Our Lady's	8:30pm	Evening Mass	Martine and James



#### THURSDAY - CHRISTMAS DAY



Our Lady's	8:30am	Morning Mass	People of the Parish
St Brendan's	9:00am	Morning Mass	Lois & John Jones RIP, Ella & Benny McGeachy RIP
Our Lady's	10:00am	Morning Mass	Gordon Muldownie RIP
St Brendan's	11:00am	Morning Mass	Margaret Anne Mitchell RIP

#### FRIDAY IN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS - ST STEPHEN, PROTO-MARTYR

St Brendan's	9:30am	Mass	Eve and Tommy Lyons RIP
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#### SATURDAY IN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS - ST JOHN, APOSTLE & EVANGELIST

Our Lady's	9:30am	Mass	Patrick, Agnes & Amos McDaid RIP; Fay Hadden RIP
	10:00am	Holy Hour + Holy Rosary +	Confessions

### 27<sup>th</sup> December SATURDAY VIGIL MASSES

#### SOLEMNITY OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

Our Lady's	5:00pm	Bill, Annie, Patsy & William Currie RIP
St Brendan's	6:00pm	Bernard Hailes RIP

### 28<sup>th</sup> December SUNDAY MASSES

#### SOLEMNITY OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

Our Lady's	8:30am	Frank Maguire RIP
St Brendan's	9:00am	People of the Parish
Our Lady's	10:00am	Mary Mack RIP
St Brendan's	11:00am	Eddie Dunion RIP
St John Ogilvie's	5:00pm	Ela Molik RIP



## Seven Day Candles Burn for:

**Our Lady of Walsingham:** Mary Mack 2nd Anniversary

**Our Lady of Grace:** Julie & Eamonn McAuley & Family INT

**St Joseph Statue:** Eamonn McGrenaghan RIP

**St Joseph Lamp:** John Connachie Anniversary

**St Martin:** Agnes Gallagher RIP

**Sacred Heart Lamp:** Bridie Keenaghan 99th Birthday

**Sacred Heart:** Charles Habib and Family INT



## MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

**Shay (James) O'Connor R.I.P.** Funeral at Our Lady's Church on Monday 22nd December at 10:30am.

**John McGinley R.I.P.** Funeral at St Brendan's Church on Tuesday 30th December at 12:00noon.

*Please pray for their families at this sad time.*

## PARISH NOTICES

### MISSAL PAGES & PSALM RESPONSES FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES:

#### Christmas Eve Children's (Vigil) Masses:

*Catholic Truth Society Missal Page: 81*

*Parish Missal Page: 95*

#### **Psalm Response:**

**I will sing for ever of your mercies, O Lord.**

#### Christmas Eve Mass during the Night:

*Catholic Truth Society Missal Page: 86*

*Parish Missal Page: 98*

#### **Psalm Response:**

**Today a Saviour has been born to us;  
who is Christ the Lord.**

#### Christmas Day - Mass of the Day:

*Catholic Truth Society Missal Page: 94*

*Parish Missal Page: 103*

#### **Psalm Response:**

**All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.**

**FLOWERS:** This year we will be having flowers for Christmas. If you would like to make a donation for Christmas flowers and flowers for the season and beyond then you will have an opportunity to make a contribution as you leave Mass today.

**THE ADVENT APPEAL FOR THE SVP AND BABY BASICS:** Both charities would like to thank you for your incredible response to the Advent Giving Trees this year. Your kindness and generosity will help many families with babies and others who are struggling at this time of year.

**IF YOU ARE TRAVELLING FOR CHRISTMAS:** We hope you have a safe journey and have a wonderful time with friends or family. On behalf of the parish we wish you a very happy and blessed Christmas.

**CRIB OFFERINGS:** This year the Crib offerings will be donated to the St Vincent DePaul Society to help with all the wonderful work they do in the local community.

**CHRISTOPHER COLACO:** Chris is one of our students for the priesthood and visited the parish a few weeks ago. He was ordained a Deacon yesterday at Oscott Seminary. Fr Mark and Fr Liam attended the ceremony. Please remember Chris in your prayers as he begins his Diaconal ministry and for his placement with us here in Corby until his ordination to the priesthood next year.

**CHRISTMAS DAY COLLECTION:** As is traditional the collection on Christmas Day will be the parishes gift to Fr Mark and Fr Liam.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** to Fr Gregory, parish priest of St Edward's, Kettering and formerly at Our Lady's. Fr Gregory has been appointed a Canon and we wish him every blessing in his ministry.

**DISCERNMENT PROCESS:** As we have highlighted in recent weeks The Corby Discernment Group has been meeting regularly since the listening process began earlier this year. The process, led by the Diocesan Pastoral Team, has been reflecting on different sce-

narios for Corby. This process is also happening in Slough and Luton and the whole diocese will embark upon it. at some point. Our group has been made up of representatives from the three parishes and have looked at the Church's mission here in Corby and how best to meet the challenges in the future. WE are now going to have Parish open meetings where different scenarios will be discussed. The first of these meetings will be on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at the following times and venues: 10.00-11.30am at Our Lady's Church, 12.30-2pm at St John Ogilvie's and 7.00-9.30pm at St Brendan's. Follow up meetings will be held 2 weeks later on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2026 at Our Lady's Church 10.00-11.30am and St Brendan's 7-9.30pm. Please come along as we discuss our mission and how we build on the great foundation we have. Please keep the process in your prayers.

### **CORBY PARISHES - REVISED SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE AS FROM 4<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2026:**

#### **Saturday Evening**

5.00pm – Our Lady's

6.00pm – St Brendan's

#### **Sunday**

8.45am – St Brendan's

10.00am – Our Lady's

11.30am – St Brendan's

5.00pm – St John Ogilvie's (unchanged)

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?** If anyone is interested in knowing more about the Catholic Faith, then you are encouraged to join in the RCIA/Journey in Faith Group on Monday evenings in the Parish Room at St Brendan's Church after the 7pm Mass. It is an opportunity for people to come and reflect on the faith in a relaxed setting. If you know someone who may be interested encourage them to come along or offer to come with them.

**THE CROWN OF ADVENT NOVENA:** The support for this Novena which began on 17<sup>th</sup> December and finishes on Christmas Day has been overwhelming with a total of 123 sets of Chaplets and Prayer Cards purchased. Thank you to each of you who is making this prayerful journey towards the Nativity of the Lord and the rising of the true Morning Star. May this Novena guide and prepare us, and our loved ones for whom it is offered, to be ready to welcome the Christ-child into our hearts with renewed faith and joyful expectation at Christmas.

