

# Parish of Our Lady & St. Anne, Caversham

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**Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, Year A**

**3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;  
the God who is, who was, and who is to come.

## SOLEMNITY OF ST JOACHIM AND ST ANNE, PARENTS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Fr Joe will be away from the parish on 26<sup>th</sup> July, the date of the patronal feast, so it will be celebrated on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July instead.

## FR PAUL'S 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION

Fr Paul celebrates his 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination on 10<sup>th</sup> July this year. Mass on 25<sup>th</sup> June will be for his intention.

## PHOTOS FOR THE WEBSITE HOMEPAGE

We need some fresh pictures for the Home screen of the parish website. If anyone has photos in .jpg format that they feel might be suitable, please email them to the parish office

ol.stanne.caversham@rcaob.org.uk and include your name and contact number. Permission must be sought before any pictures of people are used on the website - if your photo contains people we will need to know their names.

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

14 children will receive Holy Communion for the first time at the 10am Mass next week [11<sup>th</sup> June]. Please keep them in your prayers as they complete their preparation.

## LAUNCHPAD PRESENTATION

Launchpad, a homeless charity working in Reading, will give a presentation about their work on 15<sup>th</sup> July in the Cenacle. Watch this space for details.

14/05/23

C'tless: £145.00

Loose plate £381.59

C'less shop £ 5.00

Piety shop £ 55.00

Weekly S Orders:£600

21/05/23

C'less: £100.00

C'less Building fund £15

C'less candles £5.00

Loose plate £317.84

Catholic £139.58

communications

Candles £ 50.85

Weekly S Orders: £600

## 'GLASS ENSEMBLE' CONCERT

Glass Ensemble invite you to a Concert "Of Prayers and Dreams" here in Church. Sunday 18 June at 4.30pm. Featuring Rheinberger's beautiful Mass in E flat and Kirbv Shaw's arrangement of Amazing Grace, plus recent works by Sarah Quartel, Cecilia McDowall and others. Tickets (including refreshments) £12.50 from Maria after Mass or £15 on the door. Retiring collection for Church building fund.

## PARISH MUSIC GROUP

After 25 years, the leaders of the music group are stepping down at the end of July and are looking for somebody to take on the leadership of the group. If you would like to know what this might involve, speak to Cathy or Chris after Mass. They are happy to support anybody who thinks this might be something for them.

**SCHOOL RE-UNION** for former pupils [up to 1975] of St Anne's, English Martyrs Primary, Hugh Faringdon and St Joseph's Convent on Sat 10th June, 6:30-midnight in St Anne's School Hall.

Entry by ticket only, priced at £15 to include buffet (Please notify of any allergies to certain food). Contact: Gabriele Scicluna - tel 07778 340 444

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

11<sup>th</sup> June - First Holy Communion at 10am Mass

Fri 16<sup>th</sup> June - Confirmation Mass @ 7pm

18<sup>th</sup> June Glass Ensemble Concert [choir]

15<sup>th</sup> July - talk from Launchpad about their work with the homeless.



## OUR LADY'S LAMP

This week's lamp is lit for:

**Fr Tom Meagher RIP**

Please remember him in your prayers.

## Background on the Sunday Readings

This week we return to the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. This Sunday and next, however, are designated as solemnities—special days that call our attention to central mysteries of our faith. Today on Trinity Sunday we celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity, one God in three persons.

Today's Gospel is from the beginning of John's Gospel. The passage we read follows Jesus' conversation with a Pharisee, Nicodemus, about what it means to be born of both water and the spirit. Nicodemus approaches Jesus at night and acknowledges Jesus as a teacher from God. Jesus tells him that only those who are born from above will see the Kingdom of God. Nicodemus misunderstands and questions how a person can be born more than once. Jesus tells Nicodemus that no one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. Jesus is essentially explaining Baptism, which we celebrate as a sacrament today. Yet Nicodemus, we are told, still does not understand what Jesus is saying. Jesus continues by testifying to the need to be born from above so that one might have eternal life.

After the dialogue with Nicodemus, the author of the Gospel offers his own explanation of Jesus' words. This is what we read in today's Gospel, John 3:16-18.

In the context of today's focus on the mystery of the Holy Trinity, the reading calls our attention to the action of God, who reveals himself in three persons: God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit. God the Father, out of love for the world, sent his Son into the world in order to save it. Through the death and resurrection of the Son, we have been given the gift of the Holy Spirit. As three persons, God acts always as a God of love; he does not condemn the world but acts to save it.

The Gospel also calls attention to the response that is required of us. God's love for us calls us to respond in faith by professing our belief in God's son, Jesus, and the salvation that he has won for us. This profession of faith is a sign of the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Taken from: Loyola press Sunday connection

## Mass intentions for Ninth Week of Ordinary Time

### Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

### Year A

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>	People of the parish
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	Repose of the souls of Ted Cotter RIP, Stephen Aldworth RIP and deceased of the Cotter family
		<b>12 noon</b>	Baptism
<b>Monday</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	No Mass	
<i>Memorial of St Boniface, Bishop, Martyr</i>			
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>9.15am</b>	Gerard Lawrence RIP
<i>Memorial of St Norbert</i>			
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>9.15am</b>	Private intention
<i>Wednesday of week nine in Ordinary Time</i>			
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>9.15am</b>	Paul Lucien Artiguas RIP
<i>Thursday of week nine in Ordinary Time</i>			
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup> June</b>	No Mass	
<i>Memorial of St Columba</i>			

### Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

### Year A

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>	Norman Shaw RIP
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>11<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	People of the parish
	[First Communion]	<b>12 noon</b>	Baptism

Rosary before Saturday evening Mass.  
Everybody welcome.