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Solemnity of The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ, Year B 1st-2nd June 2024

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FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



Next Sunday 9th June, at the 10am Mass, the parish will celebrate the first Holy Communion of the children who have been preparing this year. Please be aware that the church will be fuller than usual.

First Friday Soup Lunch



On the first Friday of the month, when Fr Joe is available, there will be a Mass at 12noon followed by soup lunch in the Cenacle.

Friday 7th June [this week] there will be a lunch in the Cenacle after 12 noon Mass. Everybody welcome.

200 Club



New members welcome, speak to Helen in the Cenacle after Sunday Mass or complete a form from the noticeboard ... only £20 to be part of the June, July and August draws.

Dates for your Diary

- ❖ 9th June, 10am First Communion Mass
- ❖ Sunday 16 June 5pm – Youth Club vs Dads Father's Day sports evening
- ❖ 30th June, 10am Confirmation Mass
- ❖ 7th July, 4pm Glass Ensemble Concert



WEEKLY INCOME 25th-26th May

C'less:	£	128.00
Loose plate	£	396.35
Candles	£	30.95
Tea & coffee	£	57.10
Building fund	£	33.00
Donation	£	150.00
Weekly S Orders:	£	835.00

"The Church tells us that *"All citizens ought to be aware of their right and their duty to promote the common good by casting their votes."* With the general election announced for July 4th, CAFOD and St Vincent de Paul (SVP) have joined forces to launch 'A Year of Encounter' <https://cafod.org.uk/campaign/uk-general-election-2024-a-guide-for-catholic-voters>

This initiative invites parishes to reach out to their local candidates to find out more about their views on issues that we care about. Some example questions to raise with those seeking our valuable votes might be "What will a future government from your party do to combat global poverty? What will you as a future MP do to tackle homelessness in Reading? How will your party help to protect those without a voice from conception to natural death? How will you as a future MP improve services for the disabled? What are your party's policies on the climate crisis?" We would encourage you to raise concerns close to your heart that reflect our faith - ideally by writing to the candidates, raising at local hustings or as even as local canvassers knock on your door. Be in no doubt that we Catholics are a force to be reckoned with in Reading. Together we can make a difference. Thank you.

Parish Pilgrimage

We are just awaiting the last few bits of information and everyone will be contacted by email in the near future to inform them of the next payment and further details.



Saint Vincent de Paul Society

Thank you for your support of The Weller Centre foodbank. Their store cupboard is very low. **They are especially short of dehydrated meals that just**

need hot water added.

Thanks in advance for your help.



CTC Champions Holiday Club



29th July – 2nd August, 10am-3pm in St Anne's school. For youngsters 5-11 yrs. Bookings now open at <https://buytickets.at/churchestogetherincavershamholidayclub>



Missio supporters, volunteers and the wider Catholic community are invited to come together in prayer for the Global Church at Christ the King Church, Northumberland Ave, Reading on Tuesday 4th June at 7pm. The Mass will be celebrated by Fr Innaiah Maddineni, Diocesan Director for Missio and followed by refreshments and a chance to learn more about the work of Missio and the Red Box. All are welcome.



Today, the second Sunday after Pentecost, we celebrate a second solemnity, which marks our return to Ordinary Time in the liturgical calendar. Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. At one time, this day was called Corpus Christi, the Latin words for “the Body of Christ.” In the most recent revision of our liturgical rites,

the name for this day is expanded to be a more complete reflection of our Eucharistic theology.

In our reading for today, we read the account of the Last Supper found in the Gospel of Mark. It begins with the instructions that Jesus gave to his disciples to prepare their Passover celebration. It then goes on to give an account of the Last Supper. On this Sunday, however, our Lectionary reading omits the verses between these two passages; in those omitted verses we hear Jesus predict his betrayal by one of his disciples.

The Gospel of Mark describes Jesus' Last Supper with his disciples as a celebration of the Jewish feast of Passover. The Jewish celebration of Passover is a memorial to and a ritual participation in the defining moment of Israel's history. It celebrates God's deliverance of his people from slavery in Egypt. The Passover meal includes many ritually important elements, such as unleavened bread, lamb, and bitter herbs. Each food item recalls an aspect of the Exodus event. The instructions for the preparation of this meal are carefully prescribed in the Law of Moses. It is a central obligation of the Jewish faith tradition to celebrate this meal and to give thanks to God for his deliverance and protection.

In the description of the Passover meal found in today's Gospel, however, Mark omits many elements of the Jewish Passover meal. Instead he describes only those elements he believes to be most essential to the Christian Eucharist: Jesus took bread, blessed the bread, broke the bread, and shared it with his disciples. Similar words and actions follow as Jesus shares the chalice with his disciples. This bread now shared is Jesus' own body.

The Gospel for today reminds us that the Eucharist is a memorial of Christ's sacrifice on the cross. We believe that Jesus is truly present to us in the elements of bread and wine. Each time we celebrate this sacrament, we prepare for the Kingdom of God. This celebration, as the Second Vatican Council taught us, is the source and summit of the Christian life.

Mass intentions for Week Nine in Ordinary Time

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

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Saturday	1 st June	4.45pm	<i>Confessions</i>
		5.30pm	People of the parish
Sunday	2 nd June	10.00am	Colin Clark RIP
Monday	3 rd June	9.15am	Private intention
Tuesday	4 th June	No Mass	
Wednesday	5 th June	6.30pm	Private intention
Thursday	6 th June	9.15am	Gerard Lawrence RIP
Friday	7 th June	<u>12noon</u>	Private intention

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

Saturday	8 th June	4.45pm	<i>Confessions</i>
		5.30pm	People of the parish
Sunday	9 th June	10.00am	Int. of Zachary Shabaz-
[First Holy Communion Mass]			Surina Silvia

Evening Prayer followed by the rosary is prayed before Sat Mass, approx. 4.45pm. Everybody is welcome.



OUR LADY'S LAMP

No dedication this week

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is **Julia Feeney**. They can be contacted at: sg.ol.stanne.caversham@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.