



SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2026 GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH (VOL. 8 ISSUE 324)

**CORPUS CHRISTI (YEAR A)**

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**Reflection:** This Sunday, we have the Solemnity (Solemn Feast) of **CORPUS CHRISTI** - the Body of Christ – the Holy Eucharist.

(**CORPUS ET SANGUIS CHRISTI** – ‘the Body and Blood of Christ’ -

is its fuller title). It follows and concludes a consecutive list of the most major of Feasts – Easter, the Ascension, Pentecost & the Blessed Trinity. (The next Solemnity of Jesus Christ will not be until late November i.e. Christ the King – the final Sunday of the Church’s Year).

The Holy Eucharist is God’s greatest Gift to us – the Real Presence of His Only Begotten Son - our foretaste of the Heavenly Banquet. Receiving Jesus in Holy Communion is the closest we can be to Him, to God, in this life.

This greatest Gift of the Holy Eucharist came from the Last Supper, on the eve of Jesus’ Crucifixion and Death. When He said **“Take, eat, this is My Body”** & **“Take, drink, this is My Blood”**, that is really what they become, there and then, while He is still in the Upper Room with His Apostles. Then, He said **“Do this in memory of Me.”** That was a command to them, and it is the same to us. We obey the command, and He is instantly present in the Holy Eucharist, under both species, at every Mass. The word **‘Eucharist’**, from the Greek, means **‘thanksgiving’**. At the Last Supper, Jesus gave thanks to God the Father for both the bread and the wine, ahead of changing them into His Body and Blood. The priest at Mass calls down the Holy Spirit over the bread and wine, so that He (God) can change them into the Body and Blood of the Lord. Only God can change bread and wine into God. That is the miracle that takes place at every Mass.

On this great Solemnity of **CORPUS CHRISTI**, let us indeed always be profoundly thankful to God for Jesus’ Real Presence at Mass.

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2026 Feria

10am Mass – Tereza Nalongo Sabayinda RIP (24th anniversary)

Confessions 11am-12 noon & 5.45pm- 6.15pm

6.30pm Mass – Thanking God for Nana’s birthday and asking Him to guide her in her career (Faustina)

**SUNDAY JUNE 7<sup>th</sup> 2026 CORPUS CHRISTI (A)**

7.30am Adoration

8.30am Mass – Thanking God for His blessings & asking for His guidance in our lives (Nneka Okeke & family)

11am Mass – For today’s First Holy Communion children & their families

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2026 Feria

8.30am Adoration

9.15am Mass – For the souls in Purgatory, especially those there who have no-one to pray for them (C & M)

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2026 Feria

8.30am Adoration

9.15am Mass – For ongoing good health for all young parents

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2026 Feria

8.30am Adoration

9.15am Mass – For the Holy Souls in Purgatory (AB)

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2026 St. Barnabas

8.00am Adoration

9.15am Mass – Anne Gavigan RIP (Furey family)

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2026 The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

8.30am Adoration

9.15am – In reparation for the coldness, outrages & sacrileges towards Him

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2026 The Immaculate Heart of Mary

10am Mass – For Nancy Bermingham

Confessions: 10.30-11.00am & 5.45-6.15pm

6.30pm–Living & deceased members of the Cabral family (C & M)

**SUNDAY 14<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2026**

**11<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (A)**

7.30am Adoration

8.30am Mass – In thanksgiving (CB)

11am Mass – People of the parish

**“Come, O Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy Faithful, and enkindle in them the fire of Thy Love.”**

**Novena for Exams** available at [praymorenovenas.com](http://praymorenovenas.com)

**On this Corpus Christi Sunday, we congratulate Adriana, Riyana, Freya, Tricia, Nevaeh, Carol, Nyah-rae, Emmanuel, Vincenzo, Mikel, Nana, Nathan, Kioran and Chidera – all children of our parish – for receiving Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time on this Solemnity.**

**Parish Garden Party**

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July**

**12.30pm – 4pm**

**Come along and celebrate the end of another academic year! Let us gather together for some summer fellowship, and to raise funds for our parish. From our cosmopolitan parish, there will be 5 “national dishes” and similar international ‘goodies’. There will be drinks, music, and activities for the children.**

***To prepare for the above event, we would greatly appreciate **DURING JUNE**, the receiving of the following: (1) drinks in manageable sizes (not bottles of wine). (2) small to medium sized bottles of water (e.g. fruited water). (3) cartons & cans for the children (of course, sugar-free especially). (4) cans & bottles of beer & lager (and non-alcoholic drinks). (5) individual-sized small cakes (but not cakes that require cutting). (6) suitable sweets for the children (e.g. individual-sizes, Haribos etc). **PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL DONATED ITEMS WILL STILL BE IN GOOD DATE BY THE 12<sup>th</sup> JULY 2026. **MANY THANKS INDEED!*******

**New Addington Foodbank**: thank you for all your contributions. **CURRENTLY THE FOODBANK NEEDS**: household cleaning products; nappies size 4 & higher; baby wipes; long-life milk; sugar; coffee; squash/fruit juice; savoury biscuits/crackers; rice; cooking oil; meat pies.

**2020 Diamond Fund**: this actually dates from March 2015. 2017 was our 60<sup>th</sup> Year - the Diamond Anniversary as a parish. 2020 marked 60 years of our church being built, before its unveiling in 1962. Details of the 2020 Diamond Fund bank account avail from Fr. Con, for anyone wishing to transfer. Thanks to all contributors.

**Gift Aid Scheme**: Parishioners, not yet members, are encouraged to join. You paid tax on your weekly giving to the parish. It can come back to the parish from HMR & C, at no cost to you.

**Please pray for those with health issues**: Peter Brown, Cyril Ojiemen, Curtis Pointu, Francesco Bruno, Jim Venis, Thomas Gunn, Issy Okwuobi, Divina Ddungu, Michael Onuh, Jason Brewer, Ruddyn Mathiasine, Sebastian Akogun, Vera Arthur, Susan Smith, Izeubokun Ichide, John Kabangue, Roseline Bardo, Teresa Saunders, Joyce Dean, Dorothy & Maria Vassallo, Fred Wye, Trudi Ollivierre, Philomena deSouza, Shirley Pointu, Cyril Green, Patricia Tougher, Kathy and Terry Jobson, Kathleen Sage, Mary Davies, Anjali & Doug Fanthome, Margaret Furey, Bryan and Maria Smith, Edith Mack, Eileen Evans, Tilly Whitmore, Celia Hulbert, Maura Malinoff, Amelia and Georgina Holmes, Ken & Maria Rowland, Anita Gregory, Victoria Kana, Jamie Prince, P. Vaughan, E. Hanks, Pat Enver, Julie Jones, Tyrone Phillips, Saoirse Hennessey, M. Slattery.

May 31st: Attendance: **169** 1<sup>st</sup>Collection: £**386.10** Gift-aided: £**248** Loose: £**138.10**

2nd Collection: £**113.29**

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