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**Corpus Christi Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2025**  
**THERE ARE NO WEEKDAY MASSES NEXT WEEK**

**Fr Thomas is still recovering at home from his operation which will take at least another week**

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<p>Pope Urban IV established the feast of Corpus Christi in 1264 shortly after a Eucharistic miracle occurred at Bolsena in Italy. In1263 a pilgrim priest travelling from Prague to Rome stopped at Bolsena to say Mass. He had been having doubts about his calling and had asked God to strengthen his faith. During the consecration, when he raised the host up high, it started to bleed onto the altar cloth. Today that blood stained cloth is kept in the Cathedral in Orvieto between Rome and Siena.</p> <p>All the readings this weekend featured giving or offering something. In the first reading Abram offered King Melchizedk a tithe of everything, In the second reading from St Paul we are invited to deepen our faith in the Eucharist as God’s ultimate gift, celebrating His love and care for our needs, both earthly and spiritual. Paul tells us to cherish the Eucharist which brings us together as one Body in Christ, reminding us to care for each other and live in harmony. In Luke’s Gospel Jesus feeds a great crowd with a small amount of food. This foreshadows the Eucharist as the “Bread of Life”. The Eucharist is a spiritual banquet where Christ nourishes all who come to Him and we should embrace its power to unite us with God and each other.</p>			
Mass times		Feast Days	
6 pm Confessions 6.30pm Vigil Mass	<b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> 24 Martyrs of Titus Oates fictitious Popish Plot</b> 24 martyrs executed due to fictitious conspiracy invented by the villianousTitus Oates, 1678 to 1681. This disreputable character was expelled from school, rated a dunce at Cambridge University and left with no degree. Anglican vicar. Dismissed for drunken blasphamy. Joined father, a Hastings cleric, as curate. Falsely accused schoolmaster. Arrested for perjury. Escaped to London. Chaplain to a ship in Royal Navy. Arrested in Tangier for sodomy, capital offence, just dismissed due to clerical status. Chaplain to the Protestant members of household of Catholic Duke of Norfolk. Unreliable so lost his position. Joined the Catholic Church and Jesuits for training. Thrown out. Joined Israel Tongue a fanatical anti-Catholic Puritan preacher who blamed Catholics for the Plague of London and Fire of London. Devised the false “Popish Plot” to kill King Charles II. King never believed conspiracy. Titus named more people including Queen. 16 executed for the plot, 8 of them priests. Titus tried and imprisoned for perjury.		
	9.30 am Mass	<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	<b>Corpus Christi</b>
NO MASS	<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> St Etheldreda of Ely</b> Born in 636 near Newmarket in Suffolk to King Ana of East Anglia. The kingdom was gradually converting to Christianity. She married a prince of a subkingdom in the Fens but he respected her vow of perpetual virginity and she lived as a nun. Father was killed in battle with pagan King Penda of Mercia and husband died. Wanted to retire to her estate of Isle of Ely given to her as a gift at her marriage. For political reasons she was made to marry Prince Egfrith, son of King Oswy of Northumbria. He was only 14 and assisted her in good works. Became King Egfrith at 24 and wanted marriage consummated. Queen Etheldreda refused preferring the company of nuns and monks including St Cuthbert, Prior of Lindisfarne and St Wilfred Bishop of York. Bishop Wilfred pretended to help the King but helped the Queen to escape to a Scottish monastery as a nun. Left in 673 to her estate in Isle of Ely and founded a double monastery and became Abbess of Ely. Built church on site of Ely Cathedral. After her death in 679 her sister Sexburga became Abbess.		
NO MASS	<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> St Bartholomew of Farne Island</b> Born in the 12 <sup>th</sup> century in Whitby, Yorkshire of Scandinavian decent. Left home to avoid a marriage. Went to Norway to find his roots. Returned to Durham to become a monk. Took name Bartholomew. Had a great devotion to St Cuthbert of Lindisfarne. Became a hermit who occupied the ancient cell of St Cuthbert on Farne Island and practised a very austere life style. Remained on Farne Island for the rest of his life. He cheerfully enjoying fishing, keeping a pet bird and receiving some guests, but mostly engaging in prayer and manual labour. Forewarned of his approaching death, Bartholomew announced it to some visiting monks from Durham who then stayed with him till he died peacefully in 1193 and buried him on Farne Island. Spent 42 years of his life upon the isolated desolate haunt of birds off the English east coast.		
NO MASS	<b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> St William of Vercelli</b> Born 1085 in Vercelli east of Milan in Italy. Brought up by a relative after the death of his parents who were of a noble family. He was very pious and desired a penitential life. Age 15 he undertook a pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela in Spain, claimed as the burial site of St James. He wore chains under his clothes as a form of penance. Then started a pilgrimage to Jerusalem but was robbed in southern Italy. Decided to stay in Italy as a hermit on Monte Vergine, Mountain of the Virgin, east of Naples. Atracted followers and founded a monastery there which still exists today. Became known for miracles and wisdom. Many sort him for advice		

	including King Roger II of Sicily who became his patron. Supported him to build other monasteries including one opposite his place at Salerno south of Naples. Founded the Order of <i>Hermits of Monte Vergine</i> , or <i>Williamites</i> . A wild wolf killed his donkey which he used to carry his belongings. William spoke to the wolf and told him he now had to carry his load which he did. His life as a hermit was compromised so moved to plains of Goieto nearby and founded the Abbey of San Gulielmo al Goieto which still exists. Died there on 25 <sup>th</sup> June 1142 aged 57. Initially he was buried there but in 1807 his remains were moved to Monte Vergine, which has now become a popular place of pilgrimage.	
NO MASS	<b>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> St Anthelm</b> Born 1107 into nobility in a castle near Chambéry, south east France. He was ordained a priest but got entangled in Church politics. Aged 30 he renounced his prestigious offices and became a Carthusian monk at nearby Portes. After 2 years he was made prior of the Motherhouse, Grande Chartreuse in Grenoble which had recently been badly damaged. He was a great administrator. Carried out repairs, constructed a defensive wall and an aqueduct. He reformed the Order, standardised the rules and allowed women to join the Order. He brought other houses into closer alignment with the Motherhouse. The monks under his direction included Hugh of Lincoln who expressed great fondness for Anthelm. The Carthusians flourished and deepened their spirituality. During the Schism of 1158 he supported Pope Alexander III against the antipope Victor IV. He was then made Bishop of Belley, the local area. He was fearless and uncompromising in reforming the clergy and regulating the affairs of the diocese. He excommunicated Count Humbert of Maurienne for taking one priest captive and murdering another priest. When reversed by the pope, Anthelm resigned as bishop. Pope Alexander the sent him to England to reconcile King Henry II and Thomas Becket but due to ill health he returned to Belley to care for the poor and lepers in the area. He died there on 26 <sup>th</sup> June 1178 aged 71. On his deathbed Count Humbert repented and asked forgiveness.	
NO MASS	<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> St Cyril of Alexandria</b> Born in 376 in Egypt. His uncle was Patriarch of Alexandria a powerful position. Attended with his uncle Theophilus the <i>Synod of the Oak</i> in Constantinople. Succeeded his uncle as Patriarch of Alexandria. Controversial theologian who had strong opinions and made impulsive decisions. Quarrelled with civil authorities and antagonised people. Eventually mellowed, controlled his temper and developed humility. Very able theologian. Wrote against heresies and gained the title “Doctor of the Incarnation”. He died on 27 <sup>th</sup> June 444 aged 68.	
6 pm Confessions 6.30pm Vigil Mass	<b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> St John Southworth</b> Born in 1592 to a family who lived in Samlesbury Hall in Lancashire who stayed staunchly Catholic through many years of persecution. Impoverished by heavy fines for not attending Church of England services. Aged 21 in 1613 went to the English College at Douai in France to train for the priesthood. Returned to England in 1618 on his first mission in the London area for 6 years but returned to Douai due to ill health. Recovered and returned on his second mission to Lancashire in 1626. Arrested after 1 year and imprisoned in Lancaster and “The Clink” in London. Released and deported to France due to Queen Henrietta Maria, Catholic wife of King Charles I. Back to England on third mission in 1636. Helped plague victims and but arrested after 1 year and imprisoned for 3 years. Released and carried out his ministry for 14 years. Then arrested and condemned to death. Martyred at Tyburn on 28 <sup>th</sup> June 1554. Body saved by Howard family at Arundel Castle. Finally buried in shrine at Westminster Cathedral	
9.30 am Mass	<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>St Peter and St Paul</b>
PLEASE PRINT IN BLOCK CAPITALS WHEN RECORDING NAMES FOR MASS INTENTION		
Your prayers are needed for the following people		
Sue Chandler	Hazel Sale	Mary Light
Trevor Delves	Fr Shaun Budden	Ann Drumgoole

### NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### The Requiem Mass for Pauline Lawrence will be on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July at 11am at St Vincent de Paul

Pauline died on 7<sup>th</sup> June and was a long time parishioner at St Vincent de Paul and would have reached the age of 86 this month. She has been ill for some time but regularly attended the 9.30 Sunday Mass up to four weeks ago. After the Requiem Mass the funeral of Pauline will be at Holybrook Cemetery at 12:15. The family ask for any donations to be made to the charity "*Sands*" that supports anyone affected by the death of a baby in memory of the great grandson of Pauline, Dylan. Please remember the family in your prayers.

#### Important notice from church cleaners: DO NOT LEAVE CHEWING GUM IN THE CHURCH

Chewing gum can damage the pews, floors and other surfaces. It is also very difficult to remove. Please can we all work together to keep our sacred space clean and welcoming for everyone.

#### Next SVP Social is on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – 1pm to 3 pm

This is another opportunity to meet for refreshments and a chat. Please come along with your friends. No need to stay for the whole time, a few minutes of two hours, whatever suits you. Renee and Pat

#### Parish collection for last weekend 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> June

Parish Gift Aid Envelopes	Gift Aid	Parish Loose Collection	Direct debits, standing orders	Gift Aid	Total of Offertory Collection	Other money	Gift Aid	Loose	TOTAL of all money
£82	£20.50	£182.73	£242.54	£51.98	£579.75				<b>£579.75</b>