



Our Lady Help of Christians

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

7th June, 2026

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Sunday, 7 th June Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)	5.30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday 7.45 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 8.45 am Syro-Malabar Community Mass (9.00 am Mass at Sacred Heart with First Holy Communion) 11.00 am Mass 2.00 pm Baptism (6.00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart)	Mary Giblin (Birthday) Private Intention Brian McCann Josie O'Connor (Father's Anniversary) James Kelly Evelyn Mary
Monday, 8 th June	7.00 am Mass 8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (10.00 am Requiem Mass at Sacred Heart)	Leao Rodrigues Michael Murphy
Tuesday, 9 th June <i>Op. Mems. of St. Columba, or of St. Ephrem</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mass, followed by the Rosary 4.00 pm Reception of Patricia Casey	Private Intention (BA)
Wednesday, 10 th June	10.30 am Requiem Mass	Patricia Casey
Thursday, 11 th June <i>Mem. of St. Barnabas, Apostle</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (7.00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart)	Margaret Hegarty (Intentions)
Friday, 12 th June Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 6.00 pm Exposition and Benediction 7.00 pm Mass	Kitty Davies (Intentions)
Saturday, 13 th June <i>Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (10.00 am Mass at Sacred Heart) 10.30 am Goan Community Mass 4.00 pm Marriage Service 5.30 pm Vigil Mass for Sunday	Marion McCarthy (Get Well) Private Intention Brendon and Letisha Pat Murphy (9 th Anniversary)
Sunday, 14 th June Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	7.45 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 8.45 am Syro-Malabar Community Mass (9.00 am Mass at Sacred Heart) 11.00 am Mass (6.00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart)	Private Intention Magdalena Hiceta Tommy Gildea The People of the Parish

Confessions: Friday, 6.00 – 6.45 pm (and at Sacred Heart on Thursday, 6.00 – 6.45 pm and Saturday, 10.30 – 11.30 am).

Saturday 5.30 pm Eucharistic Ministers	Sunday 11.00 am Eucharistic Ministers		Saturday 5.30 pm Readers	Sunday 11.00 am Readers
Agnes	Sandra and Michelle	This Weekend	Naomi	Fletcher and Maria
Henry	Sr. Giovanna and Mabel	Next Weekend	Fallon	Sandra

Welcome to Mass at Our Lady's today, especially if you are new to our parish or just visiting.

Today we are celebrating the solemnity of Corpus Christi – "The Body of Christ". In Holy Communion Jesus feeds us with His Body and Blood and so shares with us His own life.

Our Lady Help of Christians Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity Number: 234216

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We are a parish with a clear identity and purpose: to be a Catholic community, formed by the Holy Spirit in the name of Jesus, for the glory and praise of God the Father and the service of His Kingdom, and also for the mutual building up and support of its members. The core message that we feel called to live is contained in Jesus' words:

I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. (John 10:10)

Our Parish Prayer: Help us, Lord, to receive you with an open heart this day.

May our community receive your grace and deepen its faith in you.

Make us lights to shine forth with your love, giving life and hope to those who have fallen away or who have never known you. Amen.

Please pray for the sick, especially: Bridie Barry, Josie Griffiths, Claire French, Jean Carpenter, Terry Jackson, Mary Cross, Inna, Sheila Cuddy, Maggie Durkin, Tony Davis, John Hudgell, Pat Walsh, Doreen Teagle, Mary Barry, Mary Cairns, Lisa Birch and Julio Madeira Cabral Soares.

Please pray for Beatrice Upham, Michael Murphy, Baltazar L'Quy and Patricia Casey who died recently, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Bishop James Dey, Mgr. Bernard Robinson, Frs. Peter Gallagher, John Arthur McIver, John P. Lane, Timothy Cronin, William Quinn, Gerard McArdle, Cyril Adams and Joseph Lanny, Deacons Peter Phelan and Walter Terry Hum, Sr. Agnes Collett FMA, and also Patrick McLoughlin, Charles McHugh, Orlando Abrunho and Gabriel Ignatius Drumm. May they rest in peace.

The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week for Jeane Simmonds (Anniversary).

The Sacred Heart Candle is burning this week for Tommy Gildea.

Our Lady's Candle is burning this week for Trudy and Jasmine's Intentions.

St. Don Bosco's Candle is burning this week for Kitty Davies (Intentions).

Our Lady Help of Christians Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Andres Guerrero who can be contacted at sg.olhoc.oxford@rcaob.org.uk or the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.



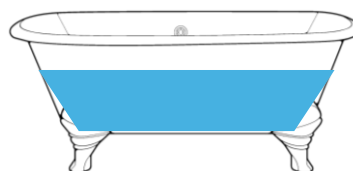
Thank you to everyone for your support, prayers and friendship on the occasion of my being made a Canon last Tuesday at St. Chad's Cathedral. I think the photograph tells the whole story, although you may want to provide a caption!

I hope that you can join me in the Don Bosco Centre after the 11.00 am Mass this Sunday for a little celebration.



If you want to see more photos or watch the whole service: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/two-new-canons-installed-at-st-chads-cathedral

Congratulations to the children who received their First Holy Communion here this weekend. Please pray for them and their families.



Please help to empty our bath!

Our overdraft bath is still very full. Will you help to empty it, please?

Cake Sale. After the Masses this weekend the Salesian Cooperators will be selling cakes, etc., in the Don Bosco Centre to raise funds for the Parish's overdraft fund.

Salesian Cooperators. Thank you to all who supported the Salesian Cooperators' Anniversary Celebration on the 23rd May. The last meeting of this "year" will be a social gathering at Elmthorpe Convent at 7.00 pm this Thursday.

St. Carlo Acutis Youth Group: Craft Materials Donation Appeal. Our group meets every Wednesday, and we hold craft sessions for children and young people. Unfortunately, we do not always have enough materials, so we would like to ask for your help. If you have any wool yarn, craft kits, clay, paints, candles, or any other materials that could be used for arts and crafts, we would be very grateful for your donation. You can leave your donations in the Don Bosco Centre, in the box under the table near the St. Carlo Acutis icon. Thank you very much.

Tailpiece: The World Cup starts this week, so here is a cautionary tale. There were two football-mad friends, and one of them fell ill. The other came to visit him and said, "When you die, do me a favour. I want to know if there's football in heaven." The dying man said, "Alright, I'll let you know." And then he died. A couple of nights later, the man was sleeping when he heard his friend's voice. "I've got some good news and some bad news. The good news is that there is football in heaven." "What's the bad news?" "You're playing in goal next Wednesday."

May God bless you and all those whom you love.

Fr. Harry