



**TIMES OF MASS AND LITURGIES THIS WEEK**

<b>Trinity Sunday</b>	8.00am	Mass in Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)
<b>THE MOST HOLY TRINITY</b>	10.00am	Mass – Int. People of the parish
Monday Feria (10 <sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time – Year I)	9.30am	Mass – Int. Jude Thangarajah, Spec. Int
Tuesday St Anthony of Padua	9.30am	Mass
Wednesday Feria	<b>NO MASS</b>	
Thursday Feria	6.00pm	Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
	7.00pm	Mass
Friday St Richard of Chichester,	9.00am	Mass
Saturday Feria	9.30am	Mass
	10.15am – 11.00am	Confessions
<b>2nd Sunday after Pentecost</b>	8.00am	Mass in Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)
<b>THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST</b>	10.00am	Mass – Int. People of the parish

**LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH OUR CHILDREN**

During 10am Mass, we invite our younger children (approx. aged 3 to 7) to attend their own Liturgy of the Word in the Guild Room. **Parents are encouraged to join their children.** We welcome more help from those who seek to be leaders and support in this ministry to the children of our parish.



**INVITATION TO CATHOLIC WOMEN: 'BEING APOSTLES'**

A Day to Encourage and Strengthen us As Women in the Church with Tina Beattie, Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2017 St Augustine's Church, Milton Keynes 11am – 3pm. Please bring a packed lunch. See poster on noticeboard.

**About Liturgy**

**The greeting at the beginning of Mass:** The end of the second reading for this solemnity is one of the greetings that the presider may choose to use after the Sign of the Cross at the beginning of Mass ("The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, / and the love of God, / and the communion of the Holy Spirit / be with you all"). The other two choices given in *The Roman Missal* are also taken from Scripture: "Grace to you and peace from God the Father / and the Lord Jesus Christ" (cf. Gal 13) and "The Lord be with you" (cf. Ruth 2:4). Our response ("And with your Spirit") is also from Scripture (cf. Gal 6:18), though it is a paraphrase. GIRM gives us the reason for this greeting: "by means of the Greeting he signifies the presence of the Lord to the assembled community. By this greeting and the people's response, the mystery of the church gathered together is made manifest" (no. 50). In actual pastoral practice, it seems as though the greeting as we hear it in the second reading is the one most often chosen and perhaps this is as it should be. This is the only one of the three greetings that expressly names all three Persons of the Trinity. This emphasises for us not only that the "Lord is present" but that the *Trinity* is present. All liturgy is trinitarian; that is, all three Persons of the Holy Trinity are present and working in our celebration of liturgy. All three Persons of the Holy Trinity help from us into the one Body of Christ, the church. Care must be taken that this greeting isn't something we respond to by rote. It is a reminder that we celebrate liturgy because the Holy Trinity is present and calls us to share in this divine action.

**CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION**

On Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June at St Aidan's Church, Little Chalfont after the 11am Mass. To be led by the First Communicants. Gates to the church car park will be closed at 11.45am for the safety of all. Additional parking at the Gun Club further down Finch Lane on the left.

**WE NEED MORE HELP!**

We *urgently* need more **helpers to clean** the Church on Friday mornings (or at another time, if that is more convenient to you). Could you spare just one hour once a month? We also need a **least two new teams** of two unrelated people to help count the offertory collection once a month after Sunday Mass, this takes approximately 40 minutes. Do you think you are able to help? If so, please speak with Fr Andy

**Pact**, the Catholic charity for prisoners and their families, ([www.prisonadvice.org.uk](http://www.prisonadvice.org.uk)) is offering free training and support for parishioners interested in volunteering with them in prisons or in the local community. No previous experience necessary. To find out more contact [ParishAction@prisonadvice.org.uk](mailto:ParishAction@prisonadvice.org.uk) All enquires welcome.

**St Francis Ramblers** invite you to join them on their walk on Sunday 18 June. Meet Wendover station (walkers' train due in at 0945). Distance 12.5 hilly miles with lunch stop (at The Red Lion, Whiteleaf, HP27 0LL), finishing at Wendover. Please call Paul on 07847 282626 for more details. More information about St Francis Ramblers Club: <http://www.stfrancisramblers.ukwalkers.com>

**READERS COURSE AT ST COLUMBA** The Liturgy Commission of the Diocese are leading a Readers Course at St Columba's Church on Tuesdays 7.30 – 9pm St Columba's Church Hall.  
**June 6** - The Scriptures – *Monsignor Kevin McGinnell*  
**June 13** - The Lectionary – *Alex Heath*  
**June 20** - Proclaiming the Word of God – *Liz Clark*  
Readers from the parishes in our pastoral area are very welcome to join - please see booking leaflets on the noticeboard.

**Lectionary for Mass**

**About Today's Solemnity:** Today's solemnity commemorates the central dogma of Christianity: the Trinity. One of the greatest gifts of the Christian faith is the dogma of the triune God: God is three (tri) in one (une). The Christian God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – is relational. How amazing and wonderfully mysterious at the same time!

**First Reading:** Moses has begged to see the glory of God, and God grants his request. On Mount Sinai, God proclaims his name, and lets Moses glimpse his glory as he passes by. But most revealing of all is what God cries out about who God is: "merciful and gracious . . . slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity." This solemnity does not explain God, but gives us a glimpse of God as a community of love and a fountain of mercy.

**Canticle:** Today's text comes from the Book of Daniel and the song of the three young men cast by Nebuchadnezzar into the fiery furnace. Miraculously preserved from death, they sing in praise of God. The canticle expresses God's sublimity, transcendence, and omniscience.

**Second Reading:** The simple words of St. Paul to the Corinthians come in sharp contrast to the splendid imagery of the first two readings. God does not confine himself to a throne, high above the cherubim: wherever his people live in peace, reforming their lives, encouraging and supporting each other, God dwells there also. The last sentence in this passage is a clear expression of the Triune God, and one that echoes almost verbatim in the greeting at the beginning of Mass.

**The Gospel** In these famous words from John, we meet the same God of overflowing love that Moses encountered on Mount Sinai in today's First reading. This reading is full of contrasts: perish/live, condemn/save, disbelieve/believe. God's will is always for our life and salvation, and Jesus comes to be saviour, not judge. Through faith, we enter into this relationship of love. The third person of the Trinity, the Holy Spirit, is not explicitly mentioned, yet we know that it is through the Holy Spirit that we come to faith in God.

**Brightlights Festival** is an annual event for Catholic young adults (ages 16-30) taking place June 23<sup>rd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> in the beautiful grounds of Alton Castle in Staffordshire. Come and join us for a weekend of live music from artists including One Hope Project, Guvna B & Written In Kings. To journey together in Faith through liturgy & worship and to hear stimulating input about the possibilities of living life: UNLIMITED. To find out more information or book tickets, visit our website: [brightlights.org.uk](http://brightlights.org.uk), call 0300 075 0115 or find us on social media: T/FB/IG: BLFestival

**Money Matters**

Last Week's Offertory Collection - £225.70

**NEXT SUNDAY – SECOND COLLECTION – DAY FOR LIFE**

Thank you for your generosity

New Offertory Envelope Boxes are available in the porch. Please take the box with your name printed on the label. If you would like to begin supporting the parish through envelopes please speak with Fr Andy.

**JUNE 2017 edition of The Vine**

The Diocese of Northampton newspaper is available. **It's free of charge!**

**Are you new to the parish?**

If so, you are very welcome! Do introduce yourself to Father Andy after Mass, and please complete a parish registration form.



Tea, coffee and cold drinks are served in The Guild Room after both of our Sunday Masses. All are welcome!

**Infant Baptism and Marriage.** By appointment with Fr Andy after completing the necessary preparation. **The Church requires** notice of at least six months prior to the Sacrament of Matrimony being celebrated.