

# PARISH OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

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THE MOST HOLY BODY  
& BLOOD OF CHRIST

2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY AFTER  
PENTECOST

## TIMES OF MASS AND LITURGIES THIS WEEK

<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost</b>	8.00am	Mass in Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)
<b>THE MOST HOLY BODY &amp; BLOOD OF CHRIST</b>	10.00am	Mass – Int. People of the parish
Monday <i>Feria</i>	9.30am	Mass
Tuesday <i>St Boniface</i>	9.30am	Mass
Wednesday <i>St Norbert</i>	10.30am	Marriage of Peter Carey and Rosie Carey-Watts
Thursday <i>Feria</i>	<b>NO MASS</b>	
Friday THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS	9.00am	Mass
Saturday <i>Immaculate Heart of Mary</i>	9.30am	Mass
	10.15am – 11.00am	Confessions
SUNDAY 10 <sup>th</sup> June <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost</b>	8.00am	Mass in Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)
<b>TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</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.

The feast of Corpus Christi (The Body and Blood of Christ) is TODAY, and all in the pastoral area are invited to the Procession at St Aidan's, Little Chalfont, which will follow on from the 11am Mass today, at about 11.50am. Everyone is welcome and it is hoped that this year's First Communicants will also join in.

**CAFOD Share the Journey** – Responding to the refugee crisis in South East Bucks Pastoral Area **Sunday 17 June 1 – 3 pm** meeting **St Aidan's Church, Finch Lane, Little Chalfont, HP7 9NE**. In its new campaign, Share the Journey, CAFOD is looking to parishes by holding a walk. Together, CAFOD are aiming for 24,900 miles – the distance around the whole world. CAFOD will use this shared journey to deliver a powerful message to world leaders, who meet in September and December 2018 to agree two global agreements on refugees and migration. These agreements must ensure refugees and migrants can live with dignity. **Come along and Share the Journey with us!**



## Connections to Church Teaching and Tradition

When God established the covenant with his people, the relationship the Israelites had with God changed. No longer was God distant, as were the pagan gods. In Exodus 4:22, God calls Israel, "my son, my first-born." With the establishment of the covenant, the people promised to obey God as one would a parent. As the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 238, states, "In Israel, God is called 'Father' . . . because of the covenant and the gift of the law to Israel, 'his first-born son'" (Exodus 4:22).

Christ gives us himself in the Eucharist. In turn, we bless God for all he has done for us, from providing us with dignity to the gift of faith and the relationship he shares with us. Through the Eucharist, believers are not only united with Christ but also with the community. As Pope St John Paul II states in *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, "By its union with Christ, the people of the New Covenant, far from closing in upon itself, becomes a 'sacrament' for humanity, a sign and instrument of the salvation achieved by Christ . . . for the redemption of all. The Church's mission stands in continuity with the mission of Christ: 'As the Father has sent me, even so I send you'" (John 20:21).

## WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES – DUBLIN – AUGUST 2018

The Congress takes place in Dublin from 22 to 24 August 2018; The Festival of Families on Saturday 25 August and the final Mass on Sunday 26 August. *It would be wonderful for one, or more, families from our parish would attend this World Meeting of Families!* See [www.worldmeeting2018.ie](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie) or posters and leaflets in the porch.

**YOUTH FEST '18:** Join us for live music, games, BBQ and lots more on **Saturday 16 June** from 3pm to 6pm in the paddock behind Our Lady's Church, Chesham Bois HP6 5PE. This **free event** is open to all young people in Year 6 and above as well as young adults 18s to 20s. Hang out with your mates, enjoy some food, have some fun and make new friends. Click the **Book Now** button on the parish website to register your place.

## Vacancy – Parish Receptionist/Secretary

**St Joseph's, Gerrards Cross (21 hours per week)** We are currently recruiting for the above position. For further details please visit [www.northamptondiocese.org/vacancies](http://www.northamptondiocese.org/vacancies) or call 01604 714840. The closing date for applications will be Tuesday 12th June 2018.

## Lectionary for Mass

Today's readings focus on the themes of blood and covenant. The Exodus passage (24:3-8) takes us back to the people wandering through the wilderness. When Moses writes down God's commandments, the people accept them as the guide for their lives. To seal this covenant-bond between God and the Israelites. Moses takes the blood of the sacrifices and sprinkles it upon the altar (symbolising God) and upon the people. The people believed that life itself was in the blood, and life was sacred because it came from God. (Thus, the people of Israel would not eat meat that contained blood.) So through the sprinkled blood, the life element, God and Israel become bound in a sacred bond, a covenant.

In the Gospel account (Mark 14:12-16, 22-26), just prior to his death, Jesus shares his last meal with his disciples. There he blesses bread, gives it to his disciples, and tells them "Take it; drink of it for this is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many." Through the shedding of his blood in his death, Jesus establishes a new covenant between God and his people. The Letter to the Hebrews (9:11-15) explains the significance of Jesus' action by contrasting it with the first covenant is not that of Jesus' action by contrasting it with the first covenant that Moses established. The blood used to seal the covenant is not that of goats and calves, but the very blood of Christ himself. "For this reason he is mediator of a new covenant."

These readings tell us what we celebrate around the altar. Like the disciples in the room with Jesus, we drink the blood of the Lord, and through his blood we are united to the Lord in a new covenant-bond.



## LAY MINISTERS of the EUCHARIST

**ANNUAL REFLECTION MORNING** for all ministers will take place on **16<sup>th</sup> June** in **Luton**. An opportunity to pray and reflect together, it offers a chance to people in a busy life to stop and think about how their service is indeed part of their vocation as baptised Catholics. See leaflets.

## LIVERPOOL 2018 – ADOREMUS

**NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE & CONGRESS**  
I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE – 7 - 9 September 2018  
For more details, see the poster and leaflets in the porch, click on webpage: [catholicnews.org.uk/adoremus2018](http://catholicnews.org.uk/adoremus2018)

## Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes – 24 - 31 August 2018

Lourdes theme for 2018: "Do whatever He tells you"  
See poster, brochures and booking forms in the porch. For up to date pilgrimage information, please visit: [www.catholicassociation.co.uk](http://www.catholicassociation.co.uk) or [www.tangney-tours.com/CA](http://www.tangney-tours.com/CA) alternatively, please call: 01732 886 666 or 0800 917 357

## Money Matters

**Last Sunday's Offertory Collection – £294.13**

**New Boxes of Offertory Envelopes** are awaiting collection in the porch. Please take your named box. If you would like to begin using envelopes, please speak with Fr Andy  
**Thank you for your generosity**

## The JUNE 2018 edition of The Vine

The Diocese of Northampton newspaper is now 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.

## DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Bishop Peter will celebrate his Golden Jubilee of Ordination to the priesthood during the **Diocese of Northampton Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday 9 June**. Fr Bob Davies OCD will lead a pilgrimage group from the South Bucks Pastoral Area. A coach will depart St Joseph's Church in Chalfont St Peter at 7:30am. In this Year of Prayer and Vocation, this is an ideal opportunity to celebrate the ministry of Bishop Peter and offer prayers of thanksgiving for him on this special occasion. The cost is **£20 per person, children 15 and under go FREE!** Please register your interest at St Joseph's Parish Office by Monday 4 June. Cheques payable to "St Joseph's Parish". Pilgrims will need to bring a packed lunch.

## SUMMER REFLECTION DAY In the Diocesan Year of Prayer and Vocation TALKING OF LOVE With tasters in prayer

**30<sup>th</sup> June 2018 10.15am coffee for a 10.45am start, 3.45pm close**

**Monastery of Christ Our Saviour Jack's Lane, Turvey, Bedfordshire.**

Keynote address Bro John OSB, Mass, Prayer of Stillness and Time with Prayer Places.

Places limited so booking is essential via [admin@nores.org.uk](mailto:admin@nores.org.uk) or ring 01582 723312

Cost of Day £15 with booking, tea, coffee available all day, please bring a packed lunch