

# *Our Lady*

## *Help of Christians*



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### **MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST 3 JUNE 2018**

(Prayer of the Church Week 1 Parish Mass Book Page )

#### **MASSES THIS WEEKEND**

Saturday	6.30pm	Rod Johnson
Sunday	9.00am	Jack Ashurst
	10.30am	Brian Hurley
Monday	1.15pm	Kathleen Mather (Requiem)
Tuesday	7.30pm	Margaret Winstanley
Wednesday	9.00am	Canon Eugene Dolan
Thursday	9.00am	People of the Parish
Friday	<b>7.30am</b>	Holy Souls

#### **MASSES NEXT WEEKEND**

Saturday	6.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	9.00am	Peter Black
	10.30am	Phoebe Ruane

Novena	Wednesday after Mass
Confessions	Saturday 11 to 11.30am & 5.30 to 6.00pm
Meditation	Saturday 10.15am

**Counters team next Sunday - Team C**

**Hilary & Stephen Shacklady, Peggy Jordan, Marie Wilson**

#### **THANK YOU**

I want to sincerely thank all of you who gave me support during the visitation last weekend. I don't find visitations easy so I really appreciate any support. Thanks especially to all who supported me by responding to the Bishop's request to meet parishioners on Sunday afternoon. Although few in number, you showed off the parish in a very good light. Special thanks to the ladies who did the catering in such a wonderful and cheerful way. You certainly did us proud. Someone asked me if I passed!!!! Well one of his last questions was would I retire at 75 or would I be staying on so I felt that was a good sign. Don't ask me what my answer was.

#### **FAIRTRADE STALL,**

The Parish Fairtrade stall is now back in the Chapel and will be opened after weekend masses. Why not take a peep at all the goodies on sale. By purchasing a bar of chocolate, packet of cookies, jar of coffee, box of tea bags and choosing to buy Fairtrade products, you are helping to make a difference to the lives of the people who grow the things we love. We can do this by changing the way trade works through better prices, decent working conditions and a fair deal for farmers and workers in developing countries. Please support your Parish Fairtrade stall and help to make a difference.

#### **50 PLUS GROUP**

The next meeting of the 50 Plus Group is on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June starting at 1:00pm**, earlier than usual. There will be food and entertainment provided as a celebration for our return to Portico Church Hall.

#### **LITTLE CHAPEL**

I feel that not having the little chapel in use yet has been a real blessing in that we are all together around the table of the lord and that no one is separated. This is how it should be if at all possible. I strongly feel that the little chapel should only be used if there is no room in the main body of the church and that it should be reserved for parents who have little ones who are having a blip.

#### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD**

Children's liturgy of the Word has resumed. Those who lead this have 'awoken from your slumber' after almost 12 months break. If anyone else can help with this wonderful work and help relieve the pressure on the few willing volunteers please have a word with Dave. Still living in hope.

#### **THANK YOU**

Many thanks to the gardeners who have come out of hibernation. The garden is stunning and we all appreciate your efforts. It's the garden in God's House so I'm sure He is pleased and grateful. Thanks too, to whoever tidied the church car park. It has never looked so good. Thanks also to all who have filled in a standing order form. It has made the counting and taking of money to the bank much easier. If you have filled in a form just check that it has been activated. Some found that they filled in the form and nothing happened.

#### **MASS OFFERINGS**

Following recent comments on Mass offerings in the newsletter I would like to draw your attention to a notice on the board in the porch. Mission now asks for a donation of £10 or more. The majority of Mass offerings handed in here have to be sent to the missions. This is a great help to them.