



ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PARISH BREWOOD

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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Saturday 11th	4.30 – 4.45pm 5.00pm	Confessions Vigil Mass	Frank Coyle RIP
Sunday 12th	9.00am 11.00am	Sunday Mass (in Penkridge) Sunday Mass	Sean Henry (Ordination to the Diaconate) People of the parish
Monday 13th St Anthony	9.00am	Holy Mass	Mary Crowe RIP
Tuesday 14th Feria	9.00am	Holy Mass	Martin Kennelly RIP
Wednesday 15th Feria		No Mass	
Thursday 16th Feria	9.00am	Holy Mass	The Orr family RIP
Friday 17th Feria	9.10am	Holy Mass	Michael Coen

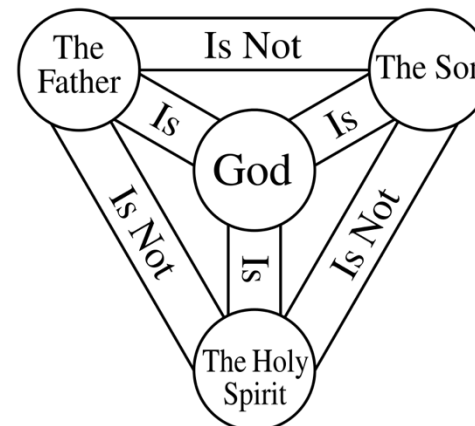
Corpus Christi

Saturday 18th	4.30 – 4.45pm 5.00pm	Confessions Vigil Mass	Anne, George, Kathleen & Janie Ferguson RIP
Sunday 19th	9.00am 11.00am	Sunday Mass (in Penkridge) SUNDAY MASS (FOLLOWED BY CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION)	People of the parish Michael Bates RIP

Please pray for the sick of the parish: Chris Rauchmann, Philip & Christine Elson, Bill Baker, Bernard Boyes & Gerald Kierans.

Dear Parishioners

Even though Easter is over and we're back in Ordinary Time, it will take a couple of weeks before we see the colour green back on Sunday. Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity as we remind ourselves of one of the most fundamental teachings of the Christian faith - that the one God has revealed himself to us as three person.



Please welcome to the 11am Mass the children who are to be preparing for the Sacraments of Confession and Holy Communion. We also welcome their parents. The children and their parents will be making a commitment at the end of the Mass to embark together on this journey of faith by coming to Mass each Sunday and supporting each other along the way. It's lovely to have them with us!

Corpus Christi – Please join us for the Corpus Christi Procession next Sunday after the 11am Mass through Brewood. This will be followed by a 'bring-and-share' celebration in the presbytery garden with Pimm's, cream teas, soft drinks and Pig Racing! You are all warmly invited with your friends and families.

Rose Petals – Would you please bring **rose petals** from your gardens on Saturday or Sunday morning to be used for the procession?

'The Leaning Paschal Stand of Brewood' – You might have noticed that our beautiful paschal candle stand is in need of some serious refurbishment, especially given that the candle in it can't sit straight and therefore it drips all over the place. The lion feet are also very unstable. On Tuesday I took it to Anvic Silver in Birmingham and it has become apparent that it will need some extensive work - the socket has been soldered on and parts of it have rusted. The restoration will cost £900! Any donations towards this, however small, will be greatly appreciated!

Receiving Holy Communion – Now that most restrictions have been lifted and people are free to choose which way to receive Holy Communion, it's good to remind ourselves what these options are and how to do them properly, especially as we are nearing the celebration of Corpus Christi.

- a) Receiving the Sacred Host on the tongue is the normative way of receiving Holy Communion in the Latin Rite. It reminds us that we aren't eating mere bread but indeed Our Lord Jesus himself who feeds us like mother hen feeds her chicks. When receiving on the tongue it's important, that, after saying 'Amen', the communicant opens the mouth and extends the tongue far enough so that the Sacred Host can be placed upon it without the danger of falling.
- b) Before the pandemic some countries, such as the UK, have also been given a special permission to receive Communion on the hand. During the pandemic we were asked to receive this way as a safety precaution. When receiving on the hand it's important to show due reverence to the Eucharist. Upon approaching the minister please extend the hands in the middle of the chest. The left hand is extended, over the right hand (unless you are left handed) and, in essence, a throne is formed in the sign of an X-cross to receive the Sacred Host. The response of "Amen" is given and the Host is received. It is essential that the communicant doesn't walk away with the Sacred Host but rather places it carefully and reverently onto one's mouth with his/her right hand (again unless lefthanded).

Social Committee – We hoping to start a parish Social Committee in order to bring together ideas and organization skills to look at how we, as a parish, can grow together not only in faith but also in friendship to one another. It would be great to have representatives from different age groups from parishioners who attend St Mary's and St Michael's. Please come along to our meeting in the Parish Hall on Thursday 7th July at 6.30pm.

Tony Stevens RIP – Please pray for the repose of the soul of Tony Stevens. The requiem Mass for the repose of his soul will be celebrated here at St Mary's on Monday 27th June early afternoon. Exact time to be confirmed.

Tea & Coffee – Come and join us after the 11am Sunday Mass for refreshments and chat!

Bell Ringing – It would be great to have the bells rung at our Sunday Masses. Would people be willing to take that upon themselves, please?

Mass Booking Envelopes are available at the back of the church. If you would like to book a Mass please fill in the envelope and give it to Fr Tomas or drop in into the presbytery.

Help for Ukrainian Refugees – Many people want to help by offering accommodation in their homes and Fr Hudson's Care can help to coordinate this. If you wish to offer accommodation, please contact Father Hudson's on 01675 434000 between the hours of 8:30 – 5:00pm Monday to Thursday, and 8:30 - 4:30pm on Friday.

Altar Servers – It's wonderful that we were able to welcome some new servers over the last several weeks! It's my firm hope to increase our number of altar servers even further. If any children or adults are interested please speak to me. Don't worry – training will be provided.

Food Bank – There is a basket at the back of the church where you can leave non-perishable items that will then be given to the Food Bank.

Opening St Mary's for private prayer – It would be good to see our church open during the day. For this we would need a team of volunteers who would be happy to lock the church at some point in the evening each day the church is open. There is a sign-up sheet at the back.

Interested in being Catholic? – If you are thinking of becoming a Catholic or know of someone who is please speak to Fr Tomas. We would be glad to accompany you on your journey of faith.

If you are going into hospital please contact Fr Tomas in order to receive the sacrament of the Sick before you go. When you are admitted to the hospital, you will have to explicitly ask for the catholic chaplain to be informed you are there.

<p style="text-align: center;">Collection for weekend 5/6/2022</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Loose: Brewood £123.84 Penkrige £62.60</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Gift Aid: £67.00</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Total: £253.46</p>
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