



# SCARBOROUGH CATHOLIC PARISHES



## CHURCHES OF ST PETER, ST JOSEPH, ST EDWARD THE CONFESSOR

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WEEK COMMENCING 6 JUNE 2021– YEAR B (Week 10 in Ordinary Time Year 1) Divine Office: Week 3

### FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI (BODY & BLOOD OF OUR LORD)

*“And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age” Matthew 28:20*

The Feast of Corpus Christi (Latin for "Body of Christ") is the liturgical solemnity celebrating the **reality of the body and blood of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist**, known as **Transubstantiation**. It is celebrated on the Thursday after Trinity Sunday, or the Sunday immediately following this.

#### A Short History of Corpus Christi

Every Mass is a Feast of the Eucharist because, by participating in the Mass, and in receiving Communion, we are honouring and celebrating the Eucharist. At the turn of the 11th Century, the first heresies about the Real Presence of Christ's body in the Eucharist emerged in continental Europe. Great saints like St Norbert and St Anthony and others defended the belief in the Real Presence. The desire for a *specific* Feast began with St Juliana (1192-1258), a nun of Liège, Belgium, who had a strong devotion to the Blessed Sacrament, and who longed for a Feast in honour of the Eucharist. She was led to petition for this and in AD 1264, a bull of Pope Urban IV commanded universal observance of the Feast. Subsequently, at the Council of Vienne in 1311, Pope Clement V made Corpus Christi an obligatory Feast for Roman Catholics. By the 14th century, the Feast was universally celebrated in the West.

**St Thomas Aquinas** (1225-1274) is given credit for many of the customs and hymns associated with Corpus Christi, including *Tantum Ergo* and *O Salutaris Hostia*, sung at Adoration or Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

**Why we have a Corpus Christi Procession** (*sadly this cannot happen this year due to Coronavirus restrictions*)

During the later Middle Ages Processions developed, and were splendid pageants of devotion and honour to the Blessed Sacrament. Processions of great splendour are still held in some countries. When Pope John Paul II declared the "Year of the Eucharist" (**October 2004 through October 2005**) he urged all Catholics to participate in a procession on the Feast of Corpus Christi. Here are some points about the meaning and purpose of the Procession:

- It is a **Profession of Faith**, a public statement of belief that **Christ is truly present in the Eucharist** (Transubstantiation)
- It demonstrates our belief in the **power** of the Blessed Sacrament and its **centrality to our Faith**
- Through it we **pay homage** to Our Lord
- It goes above and beyond the walls of the Church. Christ is taken out into the streets of our town: it is a **public witness**.
- It is a symbol of the truth that Christ became flesh and **accompanies us** on the journey of life. *Walk with me O my Lord ...through the darkest night and brightest day*

#### The Teaching on Transubstantiation

The belief that Christ is truly present in the Eucharist goes back to the earliest Church. Medieval Christians, feeling the need for a clear explanation of this belief, turned to the philosophical language of Aristotle to help explain how the **bread and wine** of the Eucharist were not just *symbols* of Jesus presence but were the **real presence of His body and blood**. They combined two Latin words, "**trans**" meaning "across" and "**substantia**" meaning substance or essence. Thus, the characteristics/form (taste, texture, shape etc.) of the bread and wine remain, but the substance - the underlying matter of the bread and wine - is transformed into Christ's body and blood.

This belief in the true presence of Christ comes directly from the unequivocal teaching of Jesus that we must eat His body and blood: *'I tell you the truth, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life ... For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in him ... so the one who feeds on me will live because of me.'* (There will be a simple Corpus Christi Procession at each of the weekend Masses to honour the Feast)

The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us that the Eucharist is "the source and summit of the Christian life... The other sacraments, and indeed all ecclesiastical ministries and works of the apostolate, are bound up with the Eucharist and are oriented toward it. For in the blessed Eucharist is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ himself, our Pasch" (1324)

**JUNE IS THE MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART (FEAST DAY IS THIS FRIDAY 11 JUNE)**

*O Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you. Immaculate Heart of Mary Pray for us*

**MASS TIMES WEEK COMMENCING 6 JUNE 2021**

**CORPUS CHRISTI**

<b>Saturday Vigil</b>	5	<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>St Peter's</b> (LIVE STREAM)	
<b>Sunday</b>	6	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>St Joseph's</b>	<b>FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI</b>
		<b>9.30am</b>	<b>St Peter's (Polish)</b>	
		<b>11.30am</b>	<b>St Peter's</b> (LIVE STREAM)	
Monday	7	<b>10am</b>	<b>St Joseph's</b> **	<i>St Norbert</i>
Tuesday	8	12 noon	St Edward's	<i>St William of York</i>
Wednesday	9	10am	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)	<i>St Ephraem, St Columba</i>
Thursday	10	10am	St Joseph's	
Friday	11	10am	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)	<b>MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS</b>
		12 noon	St Joseph's – <b>REQUIEM MASS</b>	
Saturday	12	10am	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)	<i>Immaculate Heart of Mary</i>

**MALAYALAM MASS** is monthly - normally **4pm** on the **3rd Sunday** of the month at St Peter's Church

**CONFESSIONS** **Saturdays 10.30-11am** at St Peter's; **Sundays 9-9.20am** and **Mondays 10-10.30am** at St Joseph's, and by request  
**ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT 30 minutes** before each *weekday* Mass in each church

**STREAMED MASSES IN OUR PARISH** <https://www.scarboroughcatholicparishes.org.uk/> link at right of screen

**READINGS AT MASS & Daily Prayer of the Church: QR Code** Links are available on our website & in church porches

**OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL SHRINE** at St Peter's is open (*gate is unlocked,*) take a **free** medal.

**POPE FRANCIS MONTH OF JUNE PRAYER INTENTION:** *for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.*

†**RECENTLY DEAD:** Elizabeth Cunningham (*twin sister of Richard Caddy*) Margaret Bainbridge (*Newby Farm Rd*)

†**ANNIVS:** Philomena Doody, Helen Cahill, George Beadle, Ken Barker (b'day), Jim Carson, Fr Ian Stewart

**MASSES RECEIVED** see printed copy

**MASS ATTENDANCE:** Vigil St Peter's **55**; Sun St Joseph's **112**; Polish **77**; St Peter's **98**; **Total 342**

**OFFERINGS** Loose plate **£413**; Gift Aid envelopes **£336**; Polish **£30**; Average Standing orders **£648**; **Total £1,427**

**PLANNED GIVING** To sign up for *Offertory Envelope* or *Standing Order giving*, contact the parish office



**YEAR OF ST JOSEPH MONTHLY THEMES – JUNE:** *Joseph Most Obedient and Head of Holy Family. All authority is borrowed except for the Author himself. One can only be a just head of a family, be it natural or religious, if one is first obedient to the Word himself. Joseph's perfect obedience rendered him the perfect Head of the Holy Family.*

**CAPACITIES:** Weddings - 30; Baptisms – 30; Funerals in line with capacity of church (St Peter's 120, St Joseph's 80, St Edward's 30)

**BAPTISM CONGRATS** to Hayden James Power of *Stepney Grove*, and to Bestin Joseph Jojy of *The Copse*, both baptised 6 June.

**MONDAY MORNINGS MASS 10AM AT ST JOSEPHS** Welcome to **Fr Michael Weidl** and the Madonna House Community. Confessions available also with Fr Michael before/after Mass.

**REQUIEM MASS** of Margaret Bainbridge at **12 noon Fri on 11 June** at St Josephs. **Reception** into church **Thur 10 June at 4.30pm.**

**FEAST OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS is this Friday 11 June.** *Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus* will take place after Mass on the Feast Day. Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus was encouraged by mediaeval mystics and promoted by **St Gertrude, St Margaret Mary Alacoque, St John Eudes** and others, and represents a devotion to Jesus in His human nature, in particular referring to the heart as the seat of the emotions.

**FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY is this Saturday 12 June.** Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary began as early as the *12th Century*. During the *17th Century* in France, **St John Eudes** popularised this devotion, along with that to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. St Luke's Gospel twice mentions that Mary "*kept all these things in her heart*", pondering the Word of God. Mary shows us how to listen to the words the Holy Spirit speaks to us in the depths of our hearts, and how to respond in faith.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION REGISTER** at each church for **children to mark** their attendance at weekend Mass, as is the requirement.

**PARENTS MEETING Tue 8 June 7pm. 1ST COMMUNION DATES Sat 10 & Sat 17 July 12 noon at St Peters church.** 35 children.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** 5 names so far. **Year 9+ are eligible.** Any adult wishing to receive the Sacrament contact Fr Gubbins. **CONFIRMATION INFORMATION EVENING 7pm Wednesday 14 July** at St Peters Church.

**SILVER JUBILEE** Fr Michael Sellers, celebrates on 22 June. Fr Albert Schembri will also celebrate 20 years as a priest on 3 August.

**POSTGATE RALLY & MASS** to take place at **3pm on 4 July** at Ugthorpe. No bus this year from Scarborough

**DAY FOR LIFE is Sunday 20 June.** Theme this year: *End of life care.*

**FAITH & REASON: A CATHOLIC INTEGRATION** A short, residential summer course exploring the relationship of faith with philosophy, science and culture. For catechists, teachers and anyone wanting to deepen their understanding of the Faith: **5 to 8 August.** For more info and registration, <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/faith-and-reason/>

**SPECIAL MINISTERS** willing to continue to minister at Mass and/or to the housebound – add you name to the list at back of church (*even if you were at the meeting as we will use this list to draw up rotas*). **HOUSEBOUND/CARE HOME LIST** is being updated.

**ROTAS FOR SERVING SUNDAY COFFEE/TEA** after Mass on Sundays. Sign-op lists for Rotas at back of church.

**NEARLY NEW PIETY STALL** at back of St Peter's (*prayer books/cards, crucifixes, holy water bottles etc*) - donations to Rainbow Centre.

**CATHOLIC VOICE** paper will return with a summer edition, followed by monthly editions from October.

**PARISH MEETING HALLS/ROOMS** If restrictions are lifted fully on 21 June, as planned by the government, meetings will again be able to take place. **ALL GROUPS AT ALL VENUES** (including refreshments after Mass/cleaning) please contact the parish office with your **meeting times/venues**, so we can enter your bookings in the diary, as we no longer have your original booking details.

**SAFE SPACES** (Supporting survivors of church related abuse. Free and confidential telephone **03003031056**. Free leaflet at the back.

**SUNDAY SMILE:** *During an exam a police recruit was asked what would he do if his job required him to arrest his own mother. His response was 'Call for backup'*