

# OUR LADY OF GILLINGHAM



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## 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2025 THE MOST BODY and BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI) - Year C

<b>Reading 1</b>	Gen 14:18-20	<i>He brought bread and wine.</i>
<b>Psalm</b>	Ps 109:1-4 r.4	<i>You are a priest for ever, a priest like Melchizedek of old.</i>
<b>Reading 2</b>	1 Cor 11:23-26	<i>Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming the Lord's death.</i>
<b>Sequence</b>	optional	<i>Lauda Sion salvatorem. Sing forth, O Zion, sweetly sing.</i>
<b>Gospel Acclamation</b>	John 6:51-52	<i>I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.</i>
<b>Gospel</b>	Luke 9:11-17	<i>They all ate as much as they wanted.</i>

<b>Readers this week</b>			
6.30pm Kieran Shannon Joseph Kuruvilla	9.30am Edeji Family	11.30am Titus Eneh Chelsea Atoe	6.30pm Daniella Ibeh Joseph Kuruvilla
<b>Readers next week:</b>			
6.30pm Ann Williams Yolanda Danday	9.30am Sharon Chinwuba Nnamdi Eke	11.30am. Dinah Kansiiime Vincent Obi	6.30pm Chidubem Uche Nidhiya Cicily Joseph

- ✘ Please pray for Juliet Easton† Donald Cavanagh†, Lewis & Danny Lee†, Pope Francis†, Marie & Eric Jones†, Angela Singh†, and Clive and Beryl Brooker†, who have recently died and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:
- ✘ Elsie Adamo, Ellen Rowley, Catherine Mosely, Mary Jones, Vincent John, Violet O'Hare, Elizabeth Szemelak, Bernard Mason, Patrick Ward, John McGregor, James (Jimmy) Brown, Patricia O'Hare, Elizabeth Field, Penelope D'Armenia, Bernard Hall, Mary Brooker, Cyril Field, Daniel O'Donnell, Monica Beer, Nellie Kitney, Kevin Keogh and Mavis Rogers.
- ✘ May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen

**Collections:** Last week's collection in church amounted to £482.13 of which £96.00 was Gift Aided and the retiring collection amounted to £116.87. Thank you.  
**NEXT SUNDAY** there will be a second collection for Peter's Pence.



Use the QR code for your weekly offerings and second collections

## Parish Notices

**HOPE IN ADORATION** - As part of the Jubilee Year, Archbishop John Wilson is encouraging all people to turn to the Lord Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration and have their hopes “fulfilled by Christ”. **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** (Holy Hour) is every **Friday at 6.15pm** here at the Church. Please don't miss the **Holy Hour**.

**NEW SECRETARY** – We welcome Sue McIntyre as our new Parish Secretary. The working office hours are now as follows: 10.30am-1.30pm on Tuesday, Wednesdays and Fridays. The other days shall be shared between the Priests.

**APPRECIATION** – We are very grateful to our Parishioners, who donated the new chalice and ciborium for the celebration of masses in our Parish. May the Lord bless them.

**PARISH THANKSGIVING DAY** – This has been scheduled for **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July**. Envelopes are available at the back of the Church. You can return your thanksgiving donation at any time, so please do not worry if you are unable to attend on the day. Our thanksgiving donation shall help in starting the refurbishing of the Priests' house. The first phase shall cost about £13,508.57.

**MASS INTENTIONS** – a reminder that there are envelopes at the back of the church for requests for Mass intentions or please see the Parish Secretary. As per the Vatican's Dicastery for the Clergy decree, only **ONE** Mass Intention per Mass is allowed unless it is a “collective intention” ie members of the same family.

### **All Nations Retreat - Friday 15 - Sun 17 August 2025 in Brampton,**

**Oxfordshire** -The All Nations Catholic Charismatic Group (ANCCG) is organising a long weekend family and youth residential retreat IGNITE 2025, in Brampton, Oxfordshire. There will be opportunities for private and group prayers, talks on spirituality, family and health and a social/ fun day with barbeque. On behalf of the ANCCG, I extend the invitation to you and your Parishioners. Prices include accommodation, food and transport. There are three options for accommodation and registration is on a first come first served basis. Please see the poster at the back of the Church for contact information.

**Sacred and Eucharistic Heart of Jesus: model for Catholic men** - Men of the parish are invited to a special holy hour on Friday 27th June, solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Eucharistic adoration, Rosary, Sacred Heart devotions, and presentation by Alan Ashfield, Kent chairman of The Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration. Food and drinks served. 7.30pm onwards, St Michael's parish, Chatham ME4 6PU. Contact: [medwaycatholicmen@outlook.com](mailto:medwaycatholicmen@outlook.com)

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY** - Fr Dennis would like to meet the Gillingham Parishioners, aged 70+, at a meeting on Sunday 13th July 2025 at 3.00 pm in the McMahan Hall or the Church garden (weather permitting). Those able to come please leave your name & telephone number on the form at the back of the church.

**LEGION OF MARY** - You are invited to join the Legion of Mary in our Parish; the Catholic lay faithful serving the person of Jesus Christ under the leadership of Mary, Queen and Mother. See poster at the back of the church or speak to Deacon Michael.

**ALTAR SERVERS TRIP TO WESTMINSTER PASTORAL CENTRE: 6<sup>th</sup> August – 9<sup>th</sup> August: £189. For those aged 11-16.** We commend this excellent residential trip for altar servers and those who regularly attend mass on the weekend. In an event that has now gone on for more than 20 years, it is a few days for deepening one's Catholic faith, in a great social atmosphere, including football, sports and visit to Thorpe Park. For more details of how to get to the venue, with a coach laid on at St. Anselm's Dartford, see your parish priest for a form, or contact Fr. Stephen Boyle, chaplain to the Guild of St Stephen, [Dartford@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:Dartford@rcaos.org.uk), [Tel:01322220075](tel:01322220075)

**A DAY WITH MARY SATURDAY 12 JULY AT ENGLISH MARTYRS, STROOD. –** The day begins at 9.45am and finishes after Benediction at 5.15pm. Information at the back of the church.

**Message from the Diocese:** Following the retirement of the current post holder, the Education Service are looking to recruit a person to support its schools and academies. Details for the Trust Relationship Officer available at <https://www.rcaoseducation.org.uk/trust-relationship-officer-education-service/>

**CATHOLIC SAFEGUARDING STANDARDS AGENCY** - The Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency are seeking feedback from anyone who may have information regarding the safeguarding function in Southwark Archdiocese. Please follow on the below links if you wish to contribute. Thank you.

[Do you have information to help our safeguarding inspection in Southwark?](#)  
[Survivors' Work With Us](#)

**HEALTH & SAFETY – FIRE MARSHALS** - We require RESPONSIBLE ADULTS to VOLUNTEER to be trained as a FIRE MARSHALL. You will be needed to be present at Masses especially on Sunday. Volunteers please put your Name, Telephone number, and the time of the Mass you attend on Sunday. on the form at the back of the church. Thank you.

**PLEASE** could parents of young children not allow them into the toilet on their own as it has been left in a terrible mess.

**FREE GIFT:** A slimline dishwasher has been donated to the Parish, in full working order, and with the instruction manual. If anyone is in need of a dishwasher, please see the Parish Secretary. Donations always welcome.

## Mass intentions for the week

Saturday <b>St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious</b>  <b>Vigil Mass</b>	10.00  6.30pm	Intentions of Anthony Meade  Repose of the soul of Danny Lee
Sunday <b>The Most Holy Body &amp; Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)</b>	9.30am 11.30am 6.30pm	Wellbeing of Philip Cross Repose of the soul Vincent John Repose of the soul of Violet Smith
Monday	10.00am	Repose of the souls of Patrick & Bridget McEvoy
Tuesday <b>The Nativity of St John the Baptist</b>	10.00am	Repose of the soul of Elizabeth Szemelak
Wednesday	10.00am	Repose of the soul of Joseph Hannon
Thursday	10.00am	Requiem Mass for Donald Cavanagh followed by his burial
Friday <b>The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</b>	10.00am 6.15pm 6.30pm 7.30pm	Repose of the soul of Morris Gaghan Exposition Adoration Repose of the souls of Fred & Freda King
Saturday <b>The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr, &amp; Doctor of the Church</b>  <b>Vigil Mass</b>	10.00am 12.30pm 6.30pm	Repose of the soul of Nicholas A Osakwe Fillipino Mass Repose of the soul of Carmen Davie

**Mass intentions:** Please use the Mass Offering envelopes or see the Parish secretary if you wish to book a Mass. We will endeavour to meet your requests but **no** other person should use the Parish diary. Only **ONE** Mass Intention per Mass.