

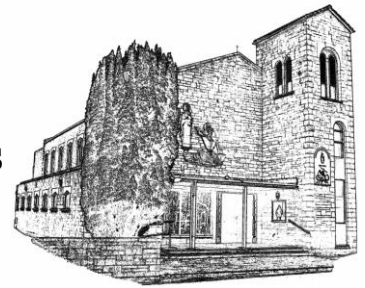
# The Parish of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St Wilfrid

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## **MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (Corpus Christi)**

**6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> June 2015**

### **Mass Times**

Saturday	5.30pm	Ralph Green (anniversary)	
Sunday	10.00am	For the Intentions of the Parish	
Monday		Weekday of the Year	No Mass
Tuesday		Weekday of the Year	No Mass
Wednesday		Weekday of the Year	No Mass
Thursday		St. Barnabas	No Mass
Friday		The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	
	10.00am		
Saturday		The Immaculate Heart of Mary	No Morning Mass

### **11<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

	5.30pm	For the Intentions of the Parish	
Sunday	10.00am		

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 4.45 to 5.15pm.

*[Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ – page 85 in the Parish Mass Book]*

**WELCOME:** Father Charles Jeffries, from Billingshurst, will be celebrating Mass this Saturday evening and Sunday morning while Father John is away for the weekend for a family celebration, followed by a few days of holiday.

**COFFEE AFTER MASS:** There will be refreshments and good conversation in the Hall after Mass – and a chance to visit the plant stall and to top up on supplies of jams and preserves from St. Wilfrid's Kitchen. All will be welcome.

**PLANTS AND PRESERVES:** Our thanks to all who in any way contributed to the success of the Plants and Preserves Fair on Saturday, which was blessed with fine weather – of the kind that encourages many out into their gardens!

**THE MISSIONARY ENDEAVOUR OF THE DIOCESE:** Next weekend there will be the annual retiring collection in support of the Missionary Endeavour of the Diocese. Much of the fund is to support our twinned diocese of Chulucanas, in Peru, which is also celebrating its Golden Jubilee this year. As this is a diocesan collection donations can be Gift Aided using a special purple envelope from the box of envelopes if you have one.

**MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:** Our ministers of Holy Communion will be coming forward during their usual Mass next weekend to renew their commitment to this ministry during a short service of re-commissioning. May we thank all our ministers for the valuable service they give to the parish when assisting with the distribution of Holy Communion and, when required, taking Holy Communion to those who are house-bound?

## “ONE BREAD, ONE BODY”

The definition of a difference between the English and the French – that the English eat to live while the French live to eat – may be an expression of the age old friendly rivalry between our two nations. Behind it, though, there may be a profound spiritual and theological truth! If it true that for the English the primary reason for eating and drinking is to replenish our reserves of energy so we can get on with the rest of life, then the what, when and with whom we eat is of secondary importance. If, on the other hand, it is true that the French live to eat, then the preparation of a meal, its contents and with whom it is shared is of much greater importance.

The teaching of the Second Vatican Council on the Eucharist marked the beginning of a profound change in our understanding of what we are doing when come to Mass and receive Holy Communion. Prior to the Council the main reason we came to Mass was to grow in personal holiness, to replenish our reserves of grace. And so what we did at Mass, and our participation in its celebration, was of secondary importance. After the Council we were encouraged to become much more involved in the action of the Mass and aware of those with whom we are celebrating it: Mass was no longer something we came to watch but, rather, something we came to do.

We still come to Mass and receive Holy Communion in order to grow closer to God but we grow in holiness not alone but within the community with whom we share our faith. Today's feast reminds us that Jesus promised always to be with his followers, and to give his life and love to them, in the context of a shared meal – the Last Supper. At Mass he is present to us in the community as it prays and sings together; in the Word we listen to; in the peace we exchange with each other; and in the Bread we break and the Cup of Wine we share.

**CAR WASH:** It is proposed to hold another “Car Wash” on a Sunday morning in June or July: before finalising a date, John Bradley (603803) would be pleased to hear from anyone willing to give their services free to washing cars in the car park to help raise funds for the Church – a couple more volunteers at least will be greatly appreciated.

**ST. RICHARD OF CHICHESTER:** The local Catholic community will again be able to celebrate the Feast of St. Richard with a Mass in Chichester Cathedral. It is always a moving occasion when the Cathedral Nave is filled with the children from St. Richard's school and with parishioners from many of the parishes of the Cathedral Deanery. It will be on Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> June at 11.00am. All will be welcome.

**CLIMATE CHANGE:** The following note has been received from the CAFOD Diocesan Officer: “On Wednesday, 17 June CAFOD and the Climate Coalition invite you to an event drawing thousands of people to Parliament to ask MPs to tackle climate change. As people of faith, we can't stay silent while millions of people are pushed deeper into poverty because of a changing climate – not least because they've done little to cause the damage. We'll meet our MPs and ask them to take climate change seriously for the love of God's creation and our global neighbours. There'll be an ecumenical service and a rally with music and guest speakers: it promises to be an unforgettable day. Come and join us and put your faith into action.” For full details, and to sign-up to join the diocesan group, contact [www.cafod.org.uk](http://www.cafod.org.uk) or ring 01483 898866.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Jacqui and Michael Brooker; Max Foreshew, Tricia Green, Christina Hackett, Nell Hassett, Peggy Owens, Samantha Phillips, Pat Sherman; Theresa Watson and all in the parish who are sick.

*Please speak to Fr. John if you would like the parish to pray for you, or for someone in your family.*

Collections:	30 <sup>th</sup> /31 <sup>st</sup> May	Offertory Collection	£385.95p
		Church Maintenance Fund	£68.82p