**FATHER JOHN'S 40th ANNIVERSARY: Saturday/Sunday 20th/21st June**

Father John celebrates his 40th anniversary of the Priesthood (Ruby) on Sunday 21st June, which he will celebrate at all the weekend Masses. A reminder for those coming to Father John's party after the Saturday evening Mass on 20th June - Father John will:

- provide a welcome drink, wine and nibbles - please bring your own food.
- would like the dress code to be something from across the past 40 years (if it still fits you!!)

Also, envelopes are available at the back of church for your donations towards Father John's gift. Or, if you prefer, you can donate via Dona.

**GROUND COVER PLANTS NEEDED**

Our Secret Gardener has cleared the front by the low fence of weeds, but they are looking to reoccupy! We must prevent them!! I want as many ground cover plants as possible, the commoner and more ruthless the better. I tried to plant up this area last year but 4 months without rain defeated me. I promise to keep them watered this year – whatever the weather.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES**

The First Communion classes re-start in September, but there is a change to our structure.

The course will be just for **ONE YEAR**, and children must be **7 years old and upwards, i.e. School Year 3 or upwards**. As ever, regular attendance at the classes throughout the year, and at weekend Mass, is essential. The classes run on Saturdays, during term time, in the Parish Hall from 11.30am to 12.30pm.

The programme asks you, the parents, to be generous with your time and your commitment, staying with your child for the sessions, and following up at home, so that they receive the maximum benefit from the course. It is a great time to be involved in the parish and the Church, so please make the most of all the opportunities that are offered for you and your child.

**Enrolment forms are available on the entrance table. Please take one and return to Theresa or Fr John before the end of this school term.**

**'WORKAID' COLLECTION: Weekend of 27th / 28th June ONLY**

Following last week's appeal, please have a sort out and see if you have any unused tools and equipment. Find a full list of what can/cannot be accepted at: workaid.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/Accepted-Not-Accepted-Items-List.

**POWER HOUSE: Thursday 11th June, Library Theatre**

A positive and humorous film as part of the Big Green Week: https://www.greatbiggreenweek.com/totallyleightonbuzzard/film_screening_of_power_station?

**WORLD BLOOD DONOR DAY: Sunday 14th June**

Donating blood is a powerful expression of solidarity, compassion and collective responsibility. There are regular blood donation sessions in Leighton Buzzard. Give blood. Save lives Find out more at: http://www.blood.co.uk

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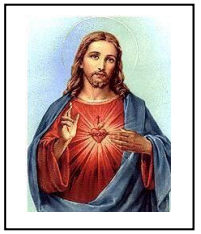

**Corpus Christi, Year A**
**7th June 2026**

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| Saturday | 6th | Corpus Christi | Mass | 6.15pm | Colin Crowfoot anniversary |
| Sunday | 7th | Corpus Christi | Mass<br>Mass | 9.00am<br>11.00am | Carmina Bucciero RIP<br>Maria Ciccone anniversary |
| Monday | 8th | Feria | Mass | 10.00am | Celia Quinn RIP |
| Thursday | 11th | St Barnabas | Mass | 10.00am | Henry Byrne RIP |
| Friday | 12th | Sacred Heart | Rosary<br>Mass | 9.30am<br>10.00am | <br>P & A Allen RIP |
| Saturday | 13th | No<br>11th Sunday | Benediction<br>Confessions<br>Mass | today<br>5.45-6.00pm<br>6.15pm | <br><br>Michael Donaghue RIP |
| Sunday | 14th | 11th Sunday | Mass<br>Mass | 9.00am<br>11.00am | |

**LIVE-STREAMING of MASS**

We are currently unable to live stream Mass on Sunday. We apologise for this inconvenience, especially to those who rely on it, and are working to resolve the problem as soon as possible. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

**100 CLUB JUNE DRAW**

The draw for this month, which includes the bi-annual "big" prize of £200, will be taken in the hall after the 11 o'clock Mass today. Jackie will invite anyone who would like to join the current members, and try your luck each month!

**CONFIRMATION CLASSES**

The next Confirmation course is due to start in September. As yet, we cannot give a definite date for the Confirmation itself, but classes will begin in September and will extend over a year, with meetings about once a month. The course is for 11 to 15 year olds, School Years 7-10. Enrolment forms are available at the back of church. Please return these as soon as possible, and certainly before the **initial meeting which will be for candidates and their parents on Wednesday 8th July, at 7.00pm, in the Parish Hall.** Any queries, please contact Theresa on 01296 688839 or email: t.short705@btinternet.com