



CORPUS CHRISTI BOSCOMBE NEWSLETTER

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OUR PARISH MOTTO
IS "ONLY JESUS"

We are part of Pastoral Area 21 (Bournemouth) in the Diocese of Portsmouth - www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/e-news/

CHURCH	PARISH PRIEST/CLERGY	TEL	SUNDAY MASS TIMES
CORPUS CHRISTI	See above		6.00pm vigil, 9.30am, 11.00am, 5.00pm
ANNUNCIATION, Charminster ST EDMUND CAMPION, Castlepoint	Fr Bernardine Nsom Deacon Barry Jennings	513369	11.00am, 6.30pm, 9.00am
OUR LADY IMMACULATE, Westbourne	Fr Bill Wilson	764027	9.00am, 11.00am
SACRED HEART, Bournemouth	Fr John Lavers Deacon Roger Carr-Jones	551013 428451	5.00pm vigil, 8.00am, 10.30am, 4.00pm

Youth Council: bournemouthcatholicyouth@hotmail.com

Churches Together in Boscombe: <http://www.ctib.community/>

Royal Bournemouth Hospital/Christchurch Hospital chaplain: Non-urgent matters, ring Chaplaincy Office directly on 01202 704221. Urgent/out-of-hours, Catholic duty Chaplain contacted via Switchboard on 01202 303626. *Mass 6pm Wed*

Poole Hospital chaplain: Deacon McConville 01202 442167 (leave message) or 01202 665511 (Page RC chaplain) *Mass 6.30pm Thurs*

LITURGICAL CALENDAR - All weekday masses are feria except: Fri 22: St Mary Magdalen Sat 23: St Bridget of Sweden

A WARM WELCOME TO ALL OUR VISITORS

A HAPPY & SAFE JOURNEY TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS TRAVELLING ON HOLIDAY.

16th Sunday of Year C - 17th July 2016.



Hospitality, presence, and being personally attentive. All of these are qualities of character that should be a part of our living in relationships with others.

In today's readings the theme that comes to my mind is that of hospitality, hospitality in the sense of personal presence, an openness of heart that allows guests into the inner home of our hearts and souls. In my years of pastoring souls I have come to recognize that the way we treat others is the way we treat God and the way we treat God is the way we treat others. The Gospel account of Martha and Mary along with the Old Testament account of Abraham meeting God in his three guests give us an occasion to examine the notion of personal presence to others, and our personal presence to God in Jesus Christ.

Presence is a quality of soul, a character trait, a habit of mental alertness, an openness of mind that allows us to integrate our lives and our very selves into the lives and selves of others. It is a prerequisite for intimacy and it is an essential characteristic of discipleship. It is this that Mary chose and that Martha did not understand. Presence means making space for another in your soul, for the person and spirit of another to be whom they really are for you to admire, respect, and for you to receive with hospitality. This demands the active awareness and the mental and spiritual attention of the disciple, the host, the student, or the friend. Some people allow others to come deeply into their presence only upon set pre-conditions. The other is allowed into that inner circle of deep awareness only if the other will meet our requirements or fulfil our needs. Discipleship, on the other hand, just as friendship and the intimacy of love, is unconditional. Martha was all too concerned with the social requirements of polite hospitality.

Another practical application can be discerned in the way family members treat each other. Sometimes I've watched couples talk at each other rather than really listen to each other. While one is attempting to communicate, and the other is only half listening, all the while trying to think of the most compelling response to make. TV talk shows are good examples of that. The talking heads only talk at each other. Sometimes husbands and wives talk at each other as if they knew beforehand what the other was going to say without hearing what was really being said. Parents can treat their children that way and children sometimes treat their parents that way. There's no true presence, no real understanding, only hidden agendas that each side compulsively seeks to get out in the discussion. Presence means withdrawing part of one's self in order that the other can fill in the space created by that self-withdrawal. Attentive presence is real hospitality, the sort of hospitality that allows the other to enter and be healed of the wounds of isolation and loneliness. It is a hospitality that is unconditional and total.

We should always be talking and listening in the presence of the Lord, trying to see Him in the mysterious strangers who come into our lives, trying like Mary to be receptive without conditions and without any attempt to meet our requirements hidden within us. Hospitality, presence, and being personally attentive, all of these are personal qualities that are a part of our living in relationships with others. They are essential to living in relationship to God. The critical question you must face and I must face is how welcoming am I to God? How conscious am I of His presence in my life? How personally attentive am I to God's presence, power, and love in my life? You and I should be challenged by these questions. Out of love God made us to love not only each other but above all to be open to and accepting of His love... and to love Him in return. Hospitality isn't simply "nice." Being personally attentive to God each and every day is essential, something far more profound than good manners. We may feel we are too busy to pay much attention to God. What if God had the same attitude and was too busy to pay much attention to us? How we treat others is an indicator of how we treat God. Something for us all to ponder.

Extracted from reflection by Fr. Charles Irvin, Senior Priest, Diocese of Lansing. <http://www.bigccatholics.com/>



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2017 If you would like to help the children prepare for their First Reconciliation and First Communion, whether as a catechist or in administration tasks, please get in touch with Cathy Barnes (07551457195). We are hoping to start planning in September.

MUSICIANS REQUIRED Children's Holy Communion lessons include 8 Masses at 6pm on Saturdays - Jan to May. **Musicians are required to form a rota**, so that between us we can cover these Masses. If you are interested or need advice and support, please leave your details with the parish office. I will contact you. **Aki Cook**



HEARTS ON FIRE Mission Week Thursday 29th - Sunday 1st October. Thank you to all who attended last week's open meeting. Ideas were shared and the timetable will soon be fixed. We now have a Liturgy Group to prepare an International Mass which will be at 6pm on Saturday 31st September. Names have already been put forward for a Hospitality group and we also have a music group. If you wish to volunteer please email: Siobhan: shiversregan@hotmail.com - Michelle: michelle23ellison@gmail.com - Richard: richard46arthur@yahoo.co.uk or speak to any member of the team.

NEW READERS ROTA COMPILER NEEDED We are still looking for a volunteer to take on this role. If you can help please contact the Parish Office. Next rota is out in Jan 2017 (needs compiling in November)

ACI FUND RAISING CAKE SALE TODAY(17th) after all Masses. The ACI family support the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart, who run the Convent locally and are hoping to return in September.

LINKS OF LOVE - ACI FAMILY PRAYER GROUP. The ACI Family undertake to pray especially in front of the Blessed Sacrament for any intentions that anyone may have. A box for any written intentions can be found on the St Raphaela altar within the Sacred Heart Chapel. The intentions will be burnt after our prayer. This month we pray especially for those who are hurting right now. Our Father in Heaven, place you arms around those who are hurting today. Comfort and guide them and give them your strength.

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN will not take place during the school holidays – we look forward to meeting up with you again in September and wish you a safe, happy and sunny holiday. **Margaret and the team.**

JOURNEY IN FAITH – RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS If you, or someone you know, would like to be considered to take part in this, please contact Fr Adrian by the middle of August. Weekly Monday evening sessions will begin in September, and go on until Easter 2017.



SPECIAL NEEDS DISCO FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE. We are arranging a Disco for our special need young people. Saturday 27th August 7pm to 10pm Parish Centre. Young people £5 to include food Parents / Carers. Free entry If you know any young special need please let them know. **Contact information or tickets Aidan 07775868253.**

FANNING THE FLAME Catholic Youth Camp 2016 St.Dominic's Priory, Sway15th – 19th August. Age range: 10-25. £100 per person. Details/booking forms from the sisters at Dominican.sisters@talk21.com or on 01590 681874 or download form at: www.fanningtheflame.co.uk/web/events/hampshire-camp-2015/ **Deadline for booking is 31st July.**

MASSES IN SPANISH/PORTUGUESE over the Summer, with a visiting Priest, at Sacred Heart - see noticeboard.

ST THOMAS GARNET PRE-SCHOOL Places still available for September 2016 both morning and afternoon sessions. Grant Funding accepted. To organise a visit or for further information about this successful and popular setting please contact Mrs C Hallard on 01202 420172 or email: enquiries@stthomasgarnets.co.uk

MISSIO MISSION ANIMATION DAY for APF-Mill Hill local Secretaries, Promoters and all those who are interested. Saturday 10th September at St Joseph's RC Parish Centre, Maidenhead. RSVP: Catherine Scott, 020 7821 9755 or email: generaloffice@missio.org.uk **See poster for more details.**

SOUTHAMPTON CELEBRATE WEEKEND This year this will be held on the 24th & 25th September. At a new venue of St. George Catholic College, Leaside Way, Southampton, SO16 3DQ. Full details/booking forms can be found on www.celebrateconference.org. **Early booking is recommended to avoid disappointment.**

PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA 2017 Fr. Marcin Drabik is organising a Pilgrimage to Fatima from 15th - 22nd May 2017 for 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions. Cost: £725 per person. This includes flights, coach, guide, accommodation, food, fees etc. A non-refundable deposit of £250 is required for booking. Please contact Fr. Marcin Drabik for the Registration Form either by email : mdrabik@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or telephone: 07479 503813. **(Registration deadline: 22nd October 2016.)**

STANDING ORDERS (Can be Gift Aided) **Setting up a standing order.** You will need the parish bank details, which are: **Sort code 30-93-04. Parish Account number: 01786041.** **("It's so easy to do!!")**

GIFT AID CLAIMED DURING THE MONTH: £1313.15

MONEY BACK FROM THE GOVERNMENT!! If you are a UK taxpayer please consider **Gift Aiding** your donation, so parish can reclaim 25p for every £1 donated eg: your gift of £10 becomes £12.50! To join the Gift Aid scheme, please give contact details to Georgie in the office. Or use the **yellow** GA envelopes (back of church).

MONTHLY SUMMARY: June	STANDING ORDERS/ DD	GIFT AID ENVS	ENVS	LOOSE PLATE	TOTAL	Target
<i>Thank you!</i> Society of Jesus Reg. Charity No. 230165 Diocese of Portsmouth Reg. Charity No. 246871	£ 2466.00	£ 3127.59	£ 336.00	£ 2147.11	£ 8076.70	£9,535.00 -- £ 1458.30

