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IS "ONLY JESUS"

## CORPUS CHRISTI BOSCOMBE NEWSLETTER

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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](mailto: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 Lent feria except: Mon 22: the Chair of St Peter.**

### SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR C - 21st February 2016.



The Second Sunday of Lent always takes us up the Mount of Transfiguration, and reminds us of our own parish motto ONLY JESUS, as my very first Sunday here on 6<sup>th</sup> August 2006 was the Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord Jesus. The Readings at mass today offer us plenty to ponder upon, starting with the Opening Prayer: "O God, who have commanded us to listen to your beloved Son, be pleased, we pray, to nourish us inwardly by your word, that, with spiritual sight made pure, we may rejoice to behold your glory."

Abram, before his name-change to Ab-raham [which means Father of many], put his faith in the Lord, and had his moment of deep sleep and terror when he was told his descendants would be as many as the stars. Much happened to him when darkness fell. A wise old Jesuit, long dead, once said: "When you realise that darkness is light, everything becomes clear." The same element of fear takes over Peter, James and John when they are in a cloud and in shadow with the transfigured Jesus in our Gospel today. Notice it is whilst Jesus is praying that things happen, and even the sleepy three stayed awake – better than they did in the Garden of Gethsemane! And they heard the voice from the cloud: "This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him." The Psalm speaks of the Lord being "my light and my help; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink?" It goes on: "I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord." Finally, Paul in the Second Reading says the Lord Jesus "will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body". The passage ends with a prayer much in my own heart just now: "So then, my dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I [am going to] miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown."



### YEAR OF MERCY

24 hours of Adoration & Reconciliation  
**12:15 pm Friday 4th to  
12:15 pm Saturday 5th March.**

Pope Francis has requested that there are world wide 24 hour Adoration and Reconciliations on 4th & 5th March 2016.

In our local Pastoral Area this will take place at Sacred Heart, Bournemouth. Parishioners are welcome to attend at anytime but our specific time to cover is Friday 3pm - 5pm. **CORPUS CHRISTI PARISHIONERS PLEASE SIGN UP ON SHEET IN OUR CHURCH PORCH.**

There will be **NO CONFESSIONS** here on Saturday 5th March at 10.30am to 11.30am as there will be a **PASTORAL AREA RECONCILIATION SERVICE** on that day at Sacred Heart, Bournemouth at 10am followed by individual confessions. **See poster for full timetable.**

**LENT EXTRA** booklets still available at back of church only £1.50!!

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON FRIDAY EVENINGS OF LENT** at 7.00pm followed by Mass at 7.30pm.

**CAFOD** Thank you for your generous support of CAFOD & for returning your Fast Day donation envelopes this weekend. "We will be in the porch on 5/6th March after all Masses with bottled water as a symbol of the Cafod 'Turn on the Taps' campaign. Suggested donation £1 a bottle (Please pour out your loose change!). Cafod Team."



**RCIA/JOURNEY IN FAITH – RCIA** Next Session Monday 22nd Feb at 7.30pm in Memorial Meeting room.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS** Next session will be on Friday 26th February in CORPUS CHRISTI CHURCH 8:00pm to 9:00pm, for a SPECIAL RECONCILIATION SERVICE FOR CANDIDATES PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION. (also open to families of the candidates) The service will be preceded by a Parish Mass at 7:30pm to which all Candidates are warmly invited to.



**FIRST COMMUNION NEXT SESSION** is SATURDAY 27th February 4.30pm, followed by Mass at 6.00pm.

**CCTG** **CORPUS CHRISTI TODDLER GROUP** will start again after half term on **Wednesday 24th February** and will run every Wednesday during term time at the **new time of 10.00am until 11.30am**. Can you help? We are looking for volunteers of all ages to help support this valuable ministry. If you would like to find out more, please contact Suzy Cook and Emma Evans [cctoddlers@gmail.com](mailto:cctoddlers@gmail.com) or Aidan Foy 07775 868253

**DAYS FOR PRAYER and REFLECTION** St Joseph's Hall, Purewell, Christchurch. Led by Fr Tony Horan SJ. Every third Saturday (except Aug & Sept) 10.30am for 11.00am until 4.15pm. Please bring a packed lunch. **Next one is 19th March - Praying the Passion.**

**ACI Family (Links of Love) Monthly Meeting Monday 29th February** at the Convent 6 Parkwood Rd. Coffee from 10.45am. Meeting starts at 11am. *Everyone welcome.*

**URGENT APPEAL BY 'LIFE'** "Dear Friends, The LIFE House, a purpose built ten flats, in Bournemouth has lost government funding and LIFE HQ are determined to close it down. They are not willing at the moment to keep even a four-bedroomed house going, run by volunteers plus minimal paid help. I am determined that it is not too late to save something, whatever they say. We had exactly the same thing happen in Bracknell, and just saved our house, which is now running well, but its existence was on a knife-edge until two parishes had a collection and then we got lottery funding. Have you any local contacts, or anyone who could be asked for help? It seems to be entirely a financial problem. At LIFE HQ the man in charge is **StephenSharpe@lifecharity.org.uk** who thinks it is too late, but I hope it is not. All good wishes, Dominica Roberts"

**BOSCOMBE ANGELS REQUEST.** Sincere thanks for the support that has been given by this parish to rough sleepers this winter. Basics like socks, hats and underclothing are always a sign of care and compassion when they are handed out to those in need. **If anyone can offer male size thinsulate gloves we would be most grateful.**

**BOSCOMBE COMMUNITY DAY – Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb** from 10am with Dorset Police at the Sovereign Centre - see poster.

**ST PETER'S SCHOOL PTA QUIZ NIGHT** St Peter's School, Holdenhurst Avenue. Friday 11th March @ 7.30pm Entrance only £2.50pp. Entrance & fish/sausage & chip supper only £6.50 pp (pre-order only) For **more info, late bookings or queries please phone: Michelle on 07795 568750**

**STABAT MATER** - Music for Lent. Sat 12th March at 7.30pm in St. Ambrose Church, Westbourne by University Music Choir and Orchestra. Tickets £12.50 (students free) available at the door. More details [musicadmin@bournemouth.ac.uk](mailto:musicadmin@bournemouth.ac.uk)

**MILL HILL NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH** 10-18th March in Maidenhead & Liverpool. To send prayer requests see poster in porch or email [novena@millhillmissionaries.com](mailto:novena@millhillmissionaries.com)

**SIGNIFICANT WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES MASS** for those celebrating a 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or anniversary over 60 years at St Bede's church in Basingstoke on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July. To book complete form on the diocesan website <http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/anniversaries/> or send an email to [anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk).

**CALAIS MIGRANT CAMP** Caritas Diocese of Portsmouth is establishing formal links with Caritas Secours Catholique which has a large presence in the camp: with a fixed base within the camp, facilities in the nearby town & about 150 volunteers. Secours Catholique will control all Catholic aid to the camp, financial and voluntary. Could any Parish financial be sent to the Department of Administration, marked for migrant camp. Info [caritas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:caritas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

**LOURDES PILGRIMAGES 19th-26th August 2016.** Catholic Association Lourdes Pilgrimage local contact: Hugh Parry 07971071571 - see poster for more details. Diocesan contact is Mgr. Vincent Harvey V.G. Tel: 023 8033 3589. Email: [vharvey@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:vharvey@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

**PLEASE COLLECT SAINSBURY'S SCHOOL VOUCHERS** and put them in box in the church porch. Thank you.

Love and God bless.

Father Denis

**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: £1531.81**

**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: January. <i>Thank you!</i>	STANDING ORDERS/ DD	GIFT AID ENVS	ENVS	LOOSE PLATE	TOTAL	Target £9,535.00
Society of Jesus Reg. Charity No. 230165 Diocese of Portsmouth Reg. Charity No. 246871	£ 2681.00	£ 3642.23	£ 349.85	£ 2280.31	<b>£ 8953.39</b>	-- £ 581.61