



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 - Weekday masses are feria except: Mon 7: St Ambrose Tue 8: Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT Year C - 6th December 2015

Paul's got some encouraging words for us all today in the Second Reading: "I am quite certain that the One who began this good work in you will see that it is finished when the Day of Christ Jesus comes." Then he adds: "My prayer is that your love for each other may increase more and more and never stop improving your knowledge and deepening your perception so that you can always recognise what is best." That seems to me a good way of going day by day through our lives, not just through Advent!

The First Reading and the Gospel are linked in the "flattening" of mountains and "filling" of valleys, preparing a smooth way for the Lord, as John the Baptist made his voice heard in the wilderness. John was echoing the voice of the prophet Isaiah, ending with the words: "And all mankind shall see the salvation of God." You and I are right now continuing that process of straightening and smoothing, bringing others to Jesus.

TODAY COME TO THE PARISH CHRISTMAS FAYRE 10.30am- 1.30pm - VISIT 'FR CHRISTMAS' IN HIS GROTTO & GET A GIFT!!!! Tombolas, Guess the Name of the Teddy, Games, Stalls, Mince minces & refreshments!! **Come along to the Parish Centre - all welcome.**



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION TODAY is the final day for getting completed First Communion Application Forms in to Sandra in our Parish Office. If any parent has difficulties with paying, please contact Fr Denis and he'll sort it.

Please note that the corrected dates of the First Communion Masses are as follows:

Sunday 8th May at 9.30am mass **Saturday 14th May** at 9.30am mass **Sunday 15th May** at 9.30am mass
Sunday 22nd May at 2.30pm Procession, Certificates and Party (This means we finish before the half-term break.)

PARISH CHRISTMAS CARD TODAY Please pick up our parish Christmas card. Note daily times of masses and services over Christmas and New Year. **THREE MAIN CHANGES FROM LAST YEAR**

1. Christmas Eve Children's "Midnight" Mass is at 6.00pm, by parental request! That's an hour earlier than in previous years.
2. "Midnight" adult mass will be at 9.00pm. Please note, as that's an hour earlier than before too.
3. There will be a quiet Holy Hour at 11.00pm to midnight to welcome in New Year. That will replace the first Sunday Holy Hour.

THANKS to all who organised, helped at, and supported the recent social evening with the wonderful singing of Antony Adams. We made £695 profit - £600 donated to charities and £95 to church funds. Thanks again it was a very enjoyable night. Look out for the next one!!!!

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY BEGINS TUESDAY 8TH DECEMBER Usual mass at 10am, followed by exposition of Blessed Sacrament. **There will be an extra Mass at 7.30pm**

CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL will have a special all-school mass at 2pm on Wednesday 9th Dec to celebrate the opening of the Year of Mercy, and to celebrate the new MINI VINNIES!

HOLY HOUR TODAY at 3.30pm- 4.30pm, led by Greg Cook. All welcome.

RCIA/JOURNEY IN FAITH – RCIA Next session Monday 7th Dec at 7.30pm in the Memorial Meeting Room.

PPC meeting this Wednesday 9th Dec at 7.30pm at No 17.

SCHOOL CAROL SERVICES IN OUR CHURCH - All welcome.

This Thursday 10th at 6.30pm St Thomas Garnet's.
Next Thursday 17th at 7.00pm Corpus Christi



HEARTS ON FIRE THANKSGIVING MASS Next Sunday 13th December at 5pm. We will come together to celebrate and give thanks for our Hearts on Fire Week in July. You may not have attended the week but do join us! We welcome all those who worked in any way for Hearts on Fire, for example, providing the wonderful food & hospitality for the many social events, acting as welcomers, providing teas & taking groups on prayer walks. Refreshments inc mulled wine & mince pies in Parish Centre afterwards. For more info contact Siobhan 01202 467246

PARISH FINANCES Michael Kelleher, Chair of our Parish Finance Committee, will speak at all masses weekend 19th-20th Dec, first to thank you all for your generosity, and to give you a simple breakdown of our finances this past year.

ACI FAMILY (Handmaids of the Sacred Heart) A basket for prayer petitions has been placed on altar of St Rafaela Mary and will be collected on the last Monday of each month, placed on the altar in the Convent, and all intentions will be prayed for during Adoration. They will then be destroyed, unread, at the end of the month.

CAFOD CAKE SALE on weekend of 12/13th Dec after all masses.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION and the opening day of **THE YEAR OF MERCY at St Thomas More's, 8th December** 5.30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Priests available for Confessions. 6.00pm Rosary. 6.30pm Mass Fr Darryl Jordan, OLW. Concelebrants: Fr Francis Preston, SDB and Monsignor Ron Hishon. **See poster**

CAROLS FOR ALL Thursday 10th Dec 7:00pm at ST. GEORGE'S METHODIST CHURCH Portman Road Boscombe with King's Park School Choir, St. James School Choir, St. George's Church Choir & St. George's Singers **ADMISSION FREE** Collection for Charity

AVON STOUR PA ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE at St Joseph's, Christchurch on Thursday 17th Dec at 7.30pm.

MARRIAGE CARE is a national Catholic charity which seeks to promote healthy happy marriages. One aspect of our work is the provision of a professionally trained counselling service for couples experiencing difficulties. **Bournemouth and Poole Centre** is urgently seeking a **volunteer counsellor**. You need to be fully qualified, & willing to train further with Marriage Care in Emotionally Focused Couples Therapy. For further info contact: Deacon Roger or Jackie Carr-Jones on 01202 428451, or email: marriagecare@hotmail.co.uk. **Closing date for applications - Wed 16th December.**

CAROLS ON THE PRECINCT. Saturday 19th December at 11.00am. Outside the old Evans shop (No 595) on Boscombe Precinct. Please join this popular event organised by Churches Together in Boscombe with Vintage Brass Band. Carol sheets provided and we hand out booklets of all the church Christmas, Services, sweets, plus free Christmas Story books for children. We usually manage 50 carollers from across the churches lets show our commitment to Boscombe by increasing the number.

MESSIAH Sat 12th Dec 7.30pm at St Ambrose Church, Westbourne. Ent: £12.50 call 01202965018 **see poster**

CHRISTMAS CHEER CONCERT Sun 13th Dec 7.30pm St Peters Church Poole Ent: £10 call 01202552571 **see poster**

POETS, PIKELETS AND PETTICOATS An afternoon of words & music with a Scottish themed afternoon tea at 2pm **Sat 23rd Jan** at St Joseph's Catholic Church, Purewell in aid Of Kabanana Care (Zambia), Tickets £5 (inc afternoon tea) Email annie.winiecki@hotmail.co.uk or phone 07986625087

37TH BOURNEMOUTH SCOUT GROUP Do you want to join the Scouting movement? . Come along & discover what the fun is all about. Friday evenings at the Annunciation Church Hall, Charminster. Beavers: 5:15 - 6:30pm, ages 6 - 8: Cubs: 6:30 - 8:00pm ages 8 - 10.5: Scouts: 7:45 - 9:30pm , ages 10.5 - 14. If you would like to know more about the adventure please contact us by email: enquiries@37thbournemouth.org.uk or email: austyngreenfield@gmail.com

PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS Completion of 'CONFIRMATION OF RELIGIOUS PRACTICE' or SIF Forms
Please put your completed form (complete attendance box & contact details) into an envelope with a **separate covering letter** that states your regularity to Mass, how long you have worshipped at Corpus Christi and if you do any activity in the parish. All St Peters forms will be sent directly to the school - forms for *Love and God bless.*
other Primary schools will need to be picked up from the Parish Office. *Father Denis*
Please check the return date for your school application.

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: £ 1609.65

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: October.	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	£ 2655.00	£ 4038.61	£ 350.90	£ 2457.07	£ 9501.58	£9,535.00 -- £ 33.42