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## 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 feria except: Mon 25: The Conversion of St Paul Tues 26: Ss Timothy & Titus Thurs 28: St Thomas Aquinas NOTE: This weekend there will be a collection for Catholic Education Service.**

### **THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR C 24th January 2016.**

There's a vast difference between "hearing" and "listening". The First Reading today shows us the difference. When did you or I last listen all morning to a story being told? Here we have Ezra the priest reading from the scripture "from early morning till noon; all the people – men, women and children old enough to understand – listened attentively to the Book of the Law." Not only that, but "the people were all in tears as they listened". In the end Ezra invites them to go to eat and drink, and to include a portion for those who have no food. Finally he says to them: "Do not be sad: the joy of the Lord is your stronghold."

The Psalm goes on to state: "The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul. The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple." The Second Reading goes on to speak about the Spirit. "In the one Spirit we were all baptised...and one Spirit was given to us all to drink." Paul then speaks of us all together as "Christ's body".

Today we hear from Luke, who is to be our Gospel-writer throughout the Year of Mercy. We start at the very first verse of the Gospel, then jump to chapter four, where Jesus sets out his stall, his mission statement. He opens the scroll at Isaiah chapter 61 where it says: "The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has appointed me. He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives, and to the blind new sight, to set the downtrodden free, to proclaim the Lord's year of favour." [This was the first reading three of us priest friends – David, Malcolm and myself – chose at our ordination mass.] Notice what Jesus says in the last sentence today: "This text is being fulfilled today, even as you listen."

**MEMORIAL MASS FOR SISTER IRENE GIL ACI** Will take place tomorrow, Monday 25th, at 10am. Come along to thank her for her many years of loving service here as our sacristan. Sister Frances and our ACI Links of Love group will be there.

**NEXT SUNDAY ANNUAL APPEAL FOR JESUIT MISSIONS** As we missed out last year, we'll give the whole collection to them! Mr Richard Greenwood, deputy head of Jesuit Missions, will speak at each mass.

**CANDLEMAS DAY, TUESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY** There will be mass and candle at 10am and 7.30pm

**FIRST SUNDAY QUIET HOLY HOUR** Would individuals please volunteer for February, March and April for the First Sunday quiet holy hour at 3.30pm. *Please let me know as soon as you can.*

**ASH WEDNESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> February** Corpus Christi School children will join us at 10am mass. **There will be an extra mass at 7.30pm.**

**FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES** Thursday 11th February **WORLD DAY OF THE SICK** Mass at 10am with opportunity for receiving the Sacrament of the Sick

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON FRIDAY EVENINGS OF LENT** Would individuals please volunteer to lead Stations each Friday of Lent, beginning Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February. Let me know as soon as you can, please.



**YEAR OF MERCY** During mass we are saying the Hail Holy Queen (Mother of Mercy) in place of the Hail Mary. For those not familiar with the words they are printed here (*changed from last week*) and there are copies to borrow at the back of church.

This is a picture of the Year of Mercy Holy Door in St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth.

**Hail, Holy Queen**, Mother of Mercy,  
Hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope!  
To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve.  
To thee do we send up our sighs,  
mourning and weeping in this vale of tears!  
Turn, then, most gracious Advocate,  
thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this, our exile,  
show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.  
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

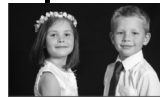


**A MASS IN YOUR HOME THIS LENT?** Fr Ron Hishon writes: This year, Lent begins very EARLY: Ash Wednesday is on Wed 10<sup>th</sup> February. With the encouragement of your Parish Priest, during Lent I am willing to come to your home to celebrate a special House Mass, celebrated simply, prayerfully, and in the spirit of Pope Francis's Year of Mercy in the Joy of the Gospel (*Evangelii Gaudium*). All that is needed is for you to gather between 8 and 12 people. If you would like more information before deciding, or if you wish to agree a suitable day and time, contact me as soon as possible at: [ronhishon@gmail.com](mailto:ronhishon@gmail.com)

**RED MISSION BOXES** Please can you bring your red mission boxes to the mass that you normally attend on the weekend of 6th/7th February so that we can empty them? We will be at the back of church after mass to empty your box. Thank you in advance, Sharon McAndrew

**RCIA/JOURNEY IN FAITH – RCIA** Next Session Monday 25th Jan at 7.30pm in Memorial Meeting room.

**CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME** Next session is on Friday 5th February 7-8.30pm in the Parish Centre.



**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** Next session is Sat 6th February at 4.30pm followed by mass at 6.00pm.

**SIMPLY PERFECT** - Communion wear and Accessories - will be coming to our Parish Centre on **Sunday Feb 14th 10.30am - 2.30pm**. See poster or go to [www.firstcommunionwear.com](http://www.firstcommunionwear.com) for more info.



**SINGERS & MUSICIANS WANTED FOR CHOIR.** More people needed for the choir for Sunday 9.30am Mass. For more information/volunteer, please pop your contact details **FAO Nick Marsden** into the Parish Office.

**WELCOMERS** There are quite a few rotas left - please can all those who volunteered for this ministry please pick up the rota. Thank you.

**REPOSITORY** The Repository has religious books, rosaries, cards & a selection of Baptism, First Holy Communion & Confirmation gifts. Please come in and have a browse. Open Sat 10:30 to 11:30 am; & Sun 9 to 11 am. Fiona Foy

**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. February 20th: Working on our image of Christ.



**ST THOMAS GARNET'S RC INDEPENDENT SCHOOL, PARKWOOD RD** - OPEN WEEK 25th - 29th Jan. Come and visit the school. More information at [www.stthomasgarnets.co.uk](http://www.stthomasgarnets.co.uk).

**STG YEAR 6 TEACHER REQUIRED for April 2016** Applications are welcomed from experienced or newly-qualified teachers. Closing date: 15<sup>th</sup> February 2016 For further details please email: [finance@stthomasgarnets.co.uk](mailto:finance@stthomasgarnets.co.uk) or write to The Headteacher – Mr Craig Lickley including a letter of application and CV. Visits are warmly welcomed. See poster

**CALLING ALL GRANDPARENTS** – Inaugural meeting in St Joseph's parish Centre, Purewell on **Thurs 28th Jan** - Mass at 9.20am, to set local branch of the 'Catholic Grandparent's Association' (CGPA). Bishop Philip to formally inaugurate the association into diocese at Portsmouth Cathedral on 12th Feb at 12.15pm For further info, contact Jane Montague-Smith 01202 020375 or Anne-Marie Bridle 01202 463488 or [info@catholicgrandparentsassociation.org](mailto:info@catholicgrandparentsassociation.org).

**FILIPINO MASS** in honour of Sto. Nino (Holy Infant) on **Sunday 31st Jan** 5pm at Our Lady Immaculate, Seamour Rd. Westbourne, led by Filipino priest Fr. Claro Conde of the Ethnic Chaplaincy of the Diocese. Please bring images of Sto. Nino for general blessings. There will be blessings for children, healing prayers for the sick, a procession and please bring food to share. ALL IS WELCOME. VIVA SENYOR SANTO NINO! For more info contact Fr. Claro 07803191502

**THE WORD OF GOD ALIVE AND ACTIVE** On going **Formation for Readers** led by Fr Bill Wilson **Sat 6th Feb 11am - 3pm** at Our Lady Immaculate Parish Hall, Westbourne. Please sign up **on sheet in porch**, by Thursday 28th Jan.

*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: £1449.10**

**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: December. <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	£ 2516.00	£ 3766.41	£ 351.82	£ 2203.67	<b>£ 8837.90</b>	-- £ 697.10