



CORPUS CHRISTI BOSCOMBE NEWSLETTER

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Jesuits in Britain:
www.jesuit.org.uk

PARISH WEBSITE: <http://www.corpuschristiboscombe.org.uk/>

MASS TIMES: Daily Mass: Mon - Sat at 10am **SUNDAY MASSES:** Sat 6.00pm vigil, Sunday 9.30am, 11.00am, 5.00pm

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays at 10.30 - 11.30am, 3.30 - 4.00pm and 5.30 - 5.50pm

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

OTHER PARISHES	PARISH PRIEST/ CLERGY	TEL (01202)	SUNDAY MASS TIMES
ANNUNCIATION, Charminster ST EDMUND CAMPION, Castlepoint	Fr Bernardine Nsom Deacon Barry Jennings	513369	11.00am, 6.30pm, 9.00am
OUR LADY IMMACULATE, Westbourne	Fr Bernardine Nsom	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 Mass Proper of Lent.

FOURTH SUNDAY of LENT Year A - 26th March 2017.



This is the Fourth Sunday in Lent. Traditionally, this day is known as Laetare Sunday, from the Latin word for the command "REJOICE," the first word in the introductory antiphon for today's Liturgy, (based on the words of Isaiah 66:10). The antiphon and the readings both express the Church's joy in anticipation of the Resurrection.

Today's readings both remind us that it is God who gives us proper vision in body as well as in soul, and instructs us that we should be constantly on our guard against spiritual blindness. By describing the anointing of David as the second king of Israel, the first reading, from the book of Samuel, illustrates how blind we are in our judgments and how much we need God's help. In the second reading, Paul reminds Christians of their new responsibility as children of light: "You were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of the light, for light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth." Jesus' giving of sight to a blind man, reported in today's Gospel, teaches us the necessity of opening the eyes of the mind by faith and warns us that those who pretend to see the truth are often blind, while those who acknowledge their blindness are given clear vision. In this episode, the most unlikely person, namely the blind man, receives the light of faith in Jesus, while the religion-oriented, law-educated Pharisees remain spiritually blind. "There are none so blind, as those who will not see." To live as a Christian is to see, to have clear vision about God, about ourselves and about others.

Today's Gospel reminds us that we are to live as children of the light, seeking what is good and right and true. Our Lenten prayers and sacrifices should serve to heal our blindness so that we can look into the hearts of others and love them as children of God, our own brothers and sisters. www.en.radiovaticana.va/news

CARDINAL NICHOLS, Archbishop of Westminster, "We pray for the victims, their families, for all affected by this terrible attack and those who responded so bravely." We add our prayers to his for all those affected and for peace.



* Today we thank God for the gift of mothers and mothering across the world. Isaiah wrote that God is a *
* mother to us, comforting and carrying us in her arms. "As one whom a mother comforts, so I will comfort *
* you" - Isaiah 66:13. **Gentle, patient God - thank you for your tender care.** *



TALKS ON EVANGELII GAUDIUM & LAUDATO SI BY BRIAN PURFIELD. 8th April 10.30 - 3.00pm in Memorial Room. With information about attending a Jesuit Conference in Swanick, Derbyshire 8-10 June. Please let Sandra, in the Parish Office, know if you are interested in attending. See poster. All Welcome.



REQUIEM MASS for Eugene Kane RIP on Wednesday 29th March at 10am. May he rest in Peace.

REQUIEM MASS for Kevin Peat RIP on Friday 31st March at 10.45am. May he rest in Peace. Main Celebrant will be Fr Tom Grufferty from St Joseph's Christchurch.

REQUIEM MASS for Br William Jordan SJ RIP on Friday 31st March at 12.15pm. May he rest in Peace.

THANK YOU FROM MISSIO Through the RED BOXES, our parish raised **£1,869.00!!** These boxes, for the APF & Mill Hill Missionaries, make a world of difference! Would you like a red box?? Contact Sharon McAndrews via the Parish Office.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS every Friday 7pm during Lent followed by Mass at 7.30pm.

JOURNEY IN FAITH – RCIA Next session 27th March 7.30-9.00pm in Memorial Room.

WELCOME to St Thomas Garnet's School on Fri 31st March at 1.30pm for their Easter Mass in Church.

ACI Family (Links of Love) Monthly Meeting Monday 27th March at the **Convent 6 Parkwood Rd.** We will commence with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 10.45am.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENT EVENING on the subject of the *Eucharist*. - **Thursday 6th April at 7.30pm** in Parish Centre. It is essential that a representative from your family attends this evening meeting, which will last approx 1 hour. **Next children's session** in Parish Centre 4pm on Sat 1st April, followed by 6pm Mass.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Corpus Christi Friday 7th April 2 - 5 pm. A time to sit and rest in quiet contemplation of the Eucharist...a time to allow our hearts to be opened... a time to give thanks. We pray especially for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon our families and upon the world.

FROM the SVP. "Dear Parishioner, Would you like a home visit by a member of the SVP? Do you have a relative or a friend who would welcome a visit from the SVP? Do you know of someone in hospital or a care home who would appreciate a visit from the SVP? If the answer is 'Yes' to any of these questions, then please pick up a Request Form, a leaflet and an envelope from the back of church & return it to Parish office and a member of the SVP will contact you shortly. **Thank You.**"

BIG LITTLE THEATRE SCHOOL 2 day "Willy Wonka" workshop on 11/12 April 9.30am - 3.30pm in our Parish Centre. Total cost £55 To book call 01202 434499 or email: info@biglittle.biz See poster

'PREPARING OURSELVES FOR EASTER' - Retreat 11th -17th April at Cold Ash Centre of Franciscan Spirituality. Directed by Sister Margaret Taylor. Find more, Website: www.coldashcentre.org

ST PETER'S SCHOOL 80TH ANNIVERSARY REUNION, St Catherine's Road, Bournemouth BH6 4AH on Saturday 29th April 2pm Mass 3pm Cream Tea in new building. Annual Dinner in the evening. For more information/book space go to: www.st-peters.bournemouth.sch.uk/80th-anniversary-reunion **Book today!**

CELEBRATING 10 YEARS OF SPRING CONCERTS Vintage Brass, **St Peter's Community Choir** & Christchurch U3A Singers will be in concert on Saturday 22nd April at 7.00pm at the Boscombe Salvation Army Citadel, Palmerston Road, Boscombe. Tickets £8 (to include programme) Call 01425 650015 for tickets. See poster for more details.

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE 2017 Mon 10th to Thurs 13th July. Led by Fr. Chacko Panathara CM, of Holy Family Parish, Kinson. Coach with half board accommodation in Walsingham: cost £220. To book please contact Madeleine Hemsley on 01258 480778. See poster and forms in porch.

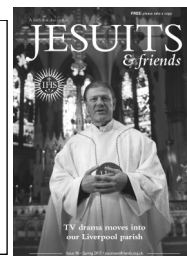
PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE 2017 (16 – 23 Sept 2017). From Gatwick South. Cost for 7 nights is £589 per shared room on half board basis at Santa Maria Hotel. Trip includes full religious programme, airport and local taxes, luxury coach and local guide. Single Room supplement is £130. Contact Barry & Jo Henwood (01202 398216) or email: josephinehenwood@virginmedia.com **See poster.**

SOUTHAMPTON CELEBRATE WEEKEND 30th Sept and 1st Oct at St. George Catholic College, Southampton, A "Faith Filled" weekend with Teachings, Praise & Worship, Seminars, Daily Mass, Dramas & Mimes and Reconciliation. Full details are available on www.celebrateconference.org or phone Peter & Lynda on 02380292058

PARKING: There will be work at Corpus Christi School until July. The school says "The construction company has begun to fence off areas so there is restricted parking currently on the playground at the weekend." *Please park sensibly.*

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPE BOXES for the new tax year are now available for collection at the back of the church. If your circumstances have changed contact the Finance Administrator. If you regularly use a **YELLOW** visitor envelope, for your convenience, you will have been allocated a box of envelopes. Please check at the back of church. If you would like a box or can not find your named box, please contact the Finance Administrator, **Georgie Lockyer**, on: ccfinance@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Please take home your free copy of Jesuit and Friends. In it is an article by Fr Denis on the new BBC drama series "Broken", that was filmed in SFX Liverpool (Fr Adrian's previous parish!)



MONTHLY SUMMARY: FEBRUARY	S/O & D/D	GA ENVS	ENVS	LOOSE PLATE	TOTAL
<i>Thank you!</i> Society of Jesus Reg. Charity No. 230165 Diocese of Portsmouth Reg. Charity No. 246871	£ 2226.00	£ 3,003.69	£382.50	£2,096.98	£7,709.17

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!!")

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 Finance Administrator in Parish Office. Or use the **yellow** GA envelopes (back of church). If you want a box of annual envelopes please contact Finance Administrator.

