



OUR PARISH MOTTO
IS "ONLY JESUS"

CORPUS CHRISTI BOSCOMBE NEWSLETTER

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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 feria except: Tues 14: Ss Cyril and Methodius
Wed 15: St Claude La Colombière SJ**

SIXTH SUNDAY of Year A - 12th February 2017.

All of us know people of good character, people who have a reputation of being decent, respectful of others, law-abiders who lead good lives, or so they appear. We also know of some who, even though they enjoy a good reputation, turn out to be a whole lot less than we thought, some of them going on to bring terrible hurt to others and inflict real damage upon them. As the old saying goes, appearances are deceiving. Looking good does not mean that our hearts are filled with goodness. The scribes and Pharisees had a certain kind of goodness, even holiness. Jesus did not condemn them for the goodness they sought, rather He condemned them for what they did not have in their hearts. They had no depth. They governed their thoughts and actions by their external observance of the Jewish laws and how they appeared in the eyes of others. The love of God and the love of others that flows from our love of God never filled their inner selves, never filled their hearts where they really lived. Sure, they did not murder others, but they allowed themselves to hate. Sure, they did not commit adultery, but they allowed themselves to regard women merely as objects for the pleasure of males. Wives were merely useful. That attitude adulterates genuine love and demeans women.

Jesus wants His Holy Spirit to dwell deep within us, in our hearts and souls. It's from there that our actions should begin. It's from there that our motives are formed, motives formed in generosity and in the unlimited love and care of God, for ourselves, and for others.

Jesus, however, is looking for something far deeper than legal observances. He wants us to be motivated by love, to live loving lives, to care and to unselfishly give of ourselves to others and to our Father in heaven. This is a way of living that no law can motivate or impose on us. This way of living puts greater demands on us.

God gave us a tremendous gift, the gift of freely choosing. This is because love isn't truly love unless it is freely given – and freely received. After all, a gift isn't a gift unless and until it is received. God has paid us a tremendous compliment in that He respects our decisions. That is why He never forces our decisions. He offers and then He waits for our response. His love for us is unconditional. His only law is love, a love within us that governs our choices and the actions that flow from our choices. We all know full well what we do or do or don't do. And we all know what others do or don't do. God, however, is more interested in what He finds in our hearts. Do we simply obey rules, or do we choose to live in love and concern for others? That's a question the answer to which can only be found deep down in your heart – where you really live.

Extracted from reflection from Fr. Charles Irvin, Senior Priest, Diocese of Lansing

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY Comfort for the Afflicted. That all those who are afflicted, especially the poor, refugees, and marginalized, may find welcome and comfort in our communities.




LENT IS COMING!! Ash Wednesday will soon be here on March 1st. We have bought some **Walk With Me** Lenten journey booklets - only a £1 from the back of church. **Buy yours today.** (We have also bought Lent calendars for our children in Children's Liturgy - look out for their free copy soon!)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS every Friday 7pm during Lent followed by Mass at 7.30pm. (3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st March & 7th April) **If you would be able to lead Stations, please contact Sandra in the Parish Office.**

REQUIEM of Juozas Gavemas RIP will be here at 10am on Tuesday 14th February. May he rest in peace.

NEW HYMN BOOK DEDICATIONS If you wish to have a small dedication put into one of our new hymn books, please write it clearly (BLOCK CAPITALS) and put it, with a donation of £5, in an envelope marked "Hymn Book Dedication", (please include your contact details), and pop it in to the Parish Office or give it to Aidan Foy.

HELP WANTED FOR ESSENTIAL MINISTRY: YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOU. Can you spare one hour every five/six weeks to join our dedicated teams who count the weekly collections? We currently have vacancies due to one of the team stepping down after 41 years service and another due to ill health. Please contact John on 01202 426072 or johnfallon1@msn.com.

 **IMPORTANT: FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATE CHANGES:** The date of the **RECONCILIATION SERVICE** will now be on **SATURDAY 11th MARCH at 11.30am** (not the 4th as advertised). Therefore Session 5 will also move to Saturday 18th March at 4pm. Next Session 4, is still on Saturday 25th February at 4.00pm followed by Mass at 6pm.

JOURNEY IN FAITH – RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS No session on 13th February, back on 20th February.

TEA & NATTER Wed 15th Feb at 2.30pm in the Coffee Room in Parish Centre.

SVP MEETING next Thursday 16th February at 7.00pm in the Memorial Room.

DAY OF REFLECTION AND PRAYER, Saturday 18th February Led by Fr Tony Horan SJ in the Memorial room at Corpus Christi, will focus on "Putting Together An Image of Jesus, from the Gospels". We will begin with teas and coffees at 10.30 for 11.00 am and finish at 4.15 pm. Please find details on the poster in porch.


FLAME 2017 Saturday 11th March 2017. To book, get in touch with Will Hince on whince@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

WOULD YOU LIKE TO TRAIN TO BE A PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHER? Do you already have a degree? You could train locally with the Primary Catholic Partnership either for a PGCE or through Schools Direct. Why not come along and find out more? Paul Haslam, the PCP Director will be holding a short open afternoon at St Walburga's Catholic Primary School in Malvern Road, on Thursday 2nd March at 1.30pm. As well as hearing about potential routes into teaching, there will also be an opportunity to meet with current students, and teachers who have completed the course and our now working at St Walburga's. If you would like to attend, please contact the school office on 01202 528811

ALPHA TASTER SESSION: Tuesday, 21st February at St. Joseph's Parish Centre, Christchurch BH23 1EH. Free. The Alpha Course is open to all: whether you are regular churchgoers, occasional visitors, atheists or just curious. In fact, the Alpha course is for anyone who's curious. Further information: Richard at www.alphavonstour@gmail.com

LATIN MASS The Franciscans of Gosport will celebrate the next Holy Mass in the Extraordinary form at Sacred Heart church, Bournemouth on Monday 27th February at 7:15pm.

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK Fully escorted St Patrick's Week Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, **13th March 2017.** £599 per person sharing. Contact Patricia on 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. Knock Pilgrimages is Travel Trust Association member & is fully ATOL protected.

 **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.**

BOYS' CAMP This year Fr Mark Hogan will again be leading a camp for boys of secondary school age at St. Cassian's, Kintbury, from **Sun 23rd to Sat 29th July.** There will be plenty of sport, outings, competitions and fun and games to ensure that boys will have a fantastic few days, also includes daily Mass & morning prayer. The cost of the camp is £200 (full/part bursaries may be available). To find out more or to reserve a place, please contact c/o Mr and Mrs Mulkerns, 23 Pardown, East Oakley, Basingstoke, Hampshire RG23 7DY or dbcamps@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk


PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST JOHN PAUL II: 19th-24th April 2017. Led by Fr John Lee. For information contact Pilgrimage People on 0800 6123423

WALKING PILGRIMAGE: Fr. Tom Grufferty is organising a walking pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi from **28th September - 6th October.** Cost £1,195. For more information contact Fr. Tom at tomgrufferty1@gmail.com

BURNING DESIRE CHOIR... Practices on Thursday's 5pm – 6pm at the Parish Centre. Price £3.50 per week paid monthly Age 6 years + Please call 01202 417767 or email burningdesirechoir@outlook.com or just turn up. **Any Adults interested please contact the above number, as soon as we have 12 Adults on our waiting list we will open at 7pm – 8pm.**

MONTHLY SUMMARY: DECEMBER (3 wks) <i>All Christmas w/e offerings go to the Priests.</i>	S/O & D/D	GA ENVS	ENVS	LOOSE PLATE	TOTAL
Society of Jesus Reg. Charity No. 230165 <i>Thank you!</i> Diocese of Portsmouth Reg. Charity No. 246871	£ 2,461.00	£ 2,276.73	£ 288.00	£ 1843.45	£ 6,869.18

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 .