



CORPUS CHRISTI BOSCOMBE NEWSLETTER

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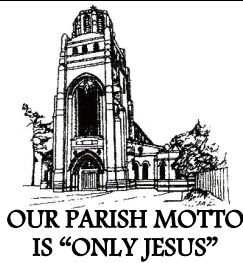
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OUR PARISH MOTTO
IS "ONLY JESUS"

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	Under 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 13: St Lucy Wed 14: St John of the Cross



THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT - 11th December 2016

"Go and tell others what you hear and see." In medieval times, this day—the Third Sunday of Advent—was called Gaudete Sunday, as an equivalent to Laetare Sunday during Lent. As we pray today, we also rejoice that the Lord does not fail to show his power and might. We rejoice at the thought that Jesus is going to be reborn in our lives, deepening in us His gifts of love, mercy, forgiveness and the spirit of humble and sacrificial service during this Christmas season. During this season, let us joyfully share God's bountiful grace, forgiveness, and mercy with others. What Jesus commanded John's disciples, he commands us as well: Go and tell others what you hear and see.


We need to open our hearts and let God transform our lives: We, too, should be encouraged by today's readings. They remind us that our lives can also be transformed, if we are patient and place our trust in God. The message of Advent is that God is present among us, in our everyday lives. We must prepare our hearts to recognize and welcome Him. "If a man is the centre of his [own] life, everyone around him becomes hell for him because everyone around him interferes with him and obstructs what he wants to do" (Jean Paul Sartre). Let us believe in our hearts the Gospel message about Jesus given by Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. Will we allow the Holy Spirit, through these Gospel reports, to create a metánoia (a change of thinking about God, ourselves, and the world) in us during Advent? http://en.radiovaticana.va/news/2016/12/06/3rd_sunday_of_advent_%E2%80%93_93_december_11_2016/1277095

PARISH CHRISTMAS CARDS. Please take home a copy of our Parish Christmas card that gives dates and times of services over Christmas. Available from Church porch.

PASTORAL AREA ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE will be in our Church on **FRIDAY 16th DEC at 7.00pm.** A chance to join together with those in our Pastoral community in a service of Advent reconciliation to prepare for Christmas. Individual confessions with local priests including availability for confessions in Polish. **All welcome.**



ROTAS OVER CHRISTMAS~~~EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS, READERS, ALTAR SERVERS and WELCOMERS for Christmas. Sign up sheets on table in church porch. **Please sign up as soon as possible. Thank you.**

 **CHRISTMAS CARD EXCHANGE BOX** To try and keep the porch a "tidy zone" please, if you want to leave Christmas cards for fellow parishioners, use the Christmas Card Exchange Box. *The box will not be managed by the Parish Office* and any cards not collected by 1st week in January will be recycled. **Merry Christmas.**

CLEANERS NEEDED URGENTLY TO KEEP YOUR PARISH CHURCH AT A GOOD STANDARD OF CLEANLINESS. Please come and help clean your church for 20 - 30 minutes per week. The times of cleaning are flexible - to suit your availability. See Aidan Foy or call him on 07775868253.

THANK YOU from Sister Frances for all her Birthday wishes and kind words and prayers. *Thank you so much!*

CAN YOU HELP?? We are looking for new people to join the Sacristy Team to help set up the Altar for the 5:00pm Sunday Mass, once every 4 - 5 weeks. Full training provided. Please leave your details with the Parish office - email: ccoffice@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

CALLING ALL SUNDAY 9.30am READERS!! If you are currently reading or would like to read, at the 9.30am Sunday Mass, could you please get in contact with Clarissa Andrews on 07791741739 or goagirl69@googlemail.com She is updating and compiling the next rota, which will run from Jan - June 2017.

JOURNEY IN FAITH – RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS Next session Monday 12th December 7.30pm - 9.00pm in the Memorial Room. *Then there will be a Christmas break, returning on Monday 9th January 2017.*

WELCOMERS ROTA Please let Regina Farah know about the availability for the Welcomers for the period 1st January until 30th June 2017 by 1st December 2016. Email: regina.farah@hotmail.com

REPOSITORY: Cribs / Nativity sets, Christmas cards, 2017 Calendars, Diaries, Baptism gifts and other items available. I will be selling Christmas items at all the masses THIS WEEKEND & 17th/18th December. **Fiona Foy.**



CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL CAROL SERVICE Wednesday 14th December at 7.00pm in Church.

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE GRAND CHRISTMAS QUIZ Sat 17th Dec at 7.30pm in the their Parish Centre. Adults: £3 Children £1. Max 8 per team. Bring your own food and drink. See poster.

DORSET FILIPINO CATHOLIC COMMUNITY Simband Gabi 15-23 Dec at Sacred Heart Church. See poster.

THE CHRISTMAS ANGEL with Duggie Dug Dug and a great cast which promises to be a hilarious event for all the family. The performance will be held at 6:30pm on Tuesday 20th December 2016 at Trinity Methodist Church, Southbourne, Bournemouth, BH6 5AQ. Tickets are on sale now at a cost of £5 each and can be purchased by contacting the Poole Bay Methodist Circuit Office on 01202 980895 ... *be warned - they are selling fast!*

“CAN WE HANDLE THE OLD TESTAMENT?” “The Merciful God of the Old Testament” With Fr. Nicholas King S.J. Internationally renowned scripture scholar and writer www.nicholas-king.co.uk St. Mary’s RC Church, 211 Wimborne Road, Poole BH15 2EG Fri – Sat 13-14th. January 2017 Friday at 7-8 pm - “Can We Handle the OT?” Saturday Mass 10 a.m. Fr. Nick to preach. 11 – 12 noon “The Psalter - Heart of the OT” 1 – 3.30 p.m. “The Merciful God of the OT” Cost £5 per person. Tea / Coffee provided. Please bring a packed lunch to share on Saturday For more info call Deacon Declan tel. 01202 661869 or email: mcconville@ntlworld.com

“A BIG THANK YOU from Lisa and the Team at Pokesdown Children's Centre to Corpus Christi's "Tea 'n Natter" group for their kind gifts of toiletries for those in need. Very much appreciated, as are the continuing baskets of food that keep coming week by week. Such generosity is both inspiring and humbling and we thank you all so sincerely as we enter our 5th year of the SVP Food Bank initiative.”

PLEASE COLLECT YOUR CHRISTMAS POSTAGE STAMPS and put them in box in the church porch. Thank you.

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 other Primary schools will need to be picked up from the Parish Office. **Please check return date for your school application, as Parish Office will be closed over Christmas period.**

RED SUNDAY MISSAL Did you pick up a Red Sunday Missal from ‘**Freetable**’ in church porch after a Saturday night Mass? It was put there by mistake. If you have it, the owner would like it back as it has sentimental meaning. Please contact Parish Office. **Thank you.**

ROAD CLOSED WARNING For legal reasons we are obliged to close the private road to the Church (From the main Christchurch Road) for 24 hours once a year. This year it will be close **Tuesday 27th December** after 10am Mass. Please ensure you do not park/leave your car where you may not be able to move it. **Thank you.**

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| MONTHLY SUMMARY: NOVEMBER                                                                                   | S/O & D/D | GA ENVS   | ENVS     | LOOSE PLATE | TOTAL            |
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| Society of Jesus Reg. Charity No. 230165 <i>Thank you!</i><br>Diocese of Portsmouth Reg. Charity No. 246871 | £ 2431.00 | £ 3111.49 | £ 345.00 | £ 2231.77   | <b>£ 8119.26</b> |

**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 .