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CORPUS CHRISTI BOSCOMBE NEWSLETTER



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MASS TIMES: Daily Mass: Mon - Sat at 10.00am **SUNDAY MASSES:** Sat 6.00pm vigil; Sunday 9.30am & 5.00pm

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays at 10.30 -11.30am & 5.30 - 5.50pm **HOLY DAYS:** 10.00am & 7.00pm

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. Andrew Moore	764027	9.00am, 11.00am
SACRED HEART, Bournemouth Congregation of the Oratory of St Philip Neri	Fr Peter Edwards Deacon Roger Carr-Jones	551013 428451	5.00pm vigil, 8.00am, 10.30am, 4.00pm

Churches Together in Boscombe: <http://www.ctib.community/> ~ ~ CONVENT NEW telephone number: 01202 430927 ~ ~

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 next weekday masses are all Liturgy of the Day (Christmastide after Epiphany)

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD Year C 6th January 2019

THANK YOU from Fr Adrian, Fr Hugh, Fr Tony, Fr Kevin, all the priests and from Sister Margaret and all the Handmaids, for your generous gifts, cards and best wishes over Christmas and the New Year. **Wishing you many blessings for the coming year.** "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." *1 Thessalonians 5:16-18*

Many thanks also from Aidan, Georgie and Sandra for the gifts and cards received into the Parish Office.



POPE FRANCIS: LIKE THE MAGI ON EPIPHANY, DON'T BE AFRAID TO TAKE RISKS During a Mass celebrating the feast of the Epiphany at the Vatican Jan. 6 2018, Pope Francis called faithful to be like the Magi, who, he said, continued to look upward at the sky, took risks and set out bearing gifts for Christ. "If we want to find Jesus, we have to overcome our fear of taking risks, our self-satisfaction and our indolent refusal to ask anything more of life," Francis said. "We need to take risks simply to meet a Child." "Those risks are immensely worth the effort," the pope said, "since in finding that Child, in discovering his tenderness and love, we rediscover ourselves."

The Three Wise Men, also traditionally called the Magi, were the only ones who saw the star leading the way to the manger, the pope said, because they were among the few people who raised their eyes to the heavens.

"We often make do with looking at the ground: it's enough to have our health, a little money and a bit of entertainment," Francis added. "I wonder if we still know how to look up at the sky. Do we know how to dream, to long for God, to expect the newness he brings, or do we let ourselves be swept along by life, like dry branches before the wind?"

The Magi, he continued, were not satisfied with "just getting by, with keeping afloat" and continued instead to look up and follow the path. Many others who instead raised their eyes toward the heavens chose not to follow the star to Bethlehem, maybe, the pope explained, because it wasn't as bright as others.

"Jesus' star does not dazzle or overwhelm, but gently invites," he said, calling faithful to beware of the "meteors" and "shooting stars" that promise success, wealth and fortune only to quickly fade away and "mislead rather than lead."

The Lord's star, he said, while not shining as bright as others, is a reliable and constant light that "takes you by the hand in life and accompanies you" to peace and joy as it did with the Magi.

Another quality the pope encouraged massgoers to borrow from the Three Wise Men is to "set out" in order to find Jesus. In order to do this, faithful must also free themselves from unnecessary burdens and push through life's obstacles. "Jesus allows himself to be found by those who seek him, but to find him we need to get up and go, not sit around but take risks, not stand still, but set out," Francis said. "Jesus makes demands: he tells those who seek him to leave behind the armchair of worldly comforts and the reassuring warmth of hearth and home. Following Jesus is not a polite etiquette to be observed, but a journey to be undertaken."

The pope admitted that setting out is not easy. Herod stayed locked in his palace, sending others to gather information in his stead, and all of Jerusalem was afraid of the changes that would be brought in by the Son of God. Worse still, the pope continued, were the scribes and priests, who knew about the ancient prophecy and told Herod, but did not set out to go to Bethlehem. "Theirs can be the temptation of those who are used to being believers: they can talk at length about the faith they know so well, but will not take a personal risk for the Lord. They talk, but do not pray; they complain, but do no good," Francis said. *Claire Giangravè Jan 6, 2018 FAITH AND CULTURE CORRESPONDENT of the "Cruz".*



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS 2019 - a small leaflet from the Apostleship of Prayer with all the Pope's intentions for the year can be found in the porch. It also includes 10 minutes, 10 prayers. *Please take one.*



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - First session will be on **Saturday 12th January 2019: Group One: 1.30pm - 3.00pm Group Two: 3.30pm - 5.00pm.** All sessions will be in the Parish Centre. Please ensure that your child is on time to start the session immediately & please collect your child promptly.

JOURNEY IN FAITH – RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS Next session Monday 14th January 2019. 7.30pm - 9.00pm in the Memorial Room.

DAY OF PRAYER & REFLECTION on **Saturday 19th January.** Why not make it your New Year's resolution to attend one of these sessions? Our next will be led by Fr Tony Horan SJ in the Memorial Room at Corpus Christi, with the theme "The Lord is Compassion and Love". We will begin with teas and coffees at 10.30 for 11am and will finish by 4.15pm. Come for the whole day (bring packed lunch) or just the morning session or the afternoon session from 1.45pm. *See poster.*

ADVANCE NOTICE OF WORLD DAY OF PRAYER (A Women Led, Global, Ecumenical Movement). Friday March 1st 2019. at Corpus Christi Church at 2.00pm World Day of Prayer is an international, inter church organisation which enables us to hear the thoughts of women from all parts of the world; their hopes, concerns and prayers. It will be hosted at Corpus Christi Church and has been prepared by the women of Slovenia, one of the smallest and youngest countries in Europe. Volunteers are being sought to be either welcomers or participants at the service, provide hospitality afterwards or to bake Medenjaki, popular Slovenian biscuits! Anyone from Slovenia is particularly welcome to join us. Please leave your name in the parish office or [email:kateharris48@googlemail.com](mailto:kateharris48@googlemail.com)

CORPUS CHRISTI PRIMARY SCHOOL MUSIC TEACHER - Part Time Vacancy. For more information please go to school website www.cccpschool.co.uk Closing date for applications is Friday 18th January (12 midday) 2019. See poster

ST PETER'S SCHOOL CONSULTATION: ADMISSIONS ARRANGEMENTS FOR ENTRY IN SEPTEMBER 2020 See *poster for more information.* If you have any comments about the proposals please send them to Mrs S Wallace-Abbott, Clerk to the Governing Body, on: swo@st-peters.bournemouth.sch.uk

USED POSTAGE STAMPS please put in box in church porch, money raised for Jesuit Missions.

FAITH IN POLITICS INTERNSHIP The Catholic Parliamentary and Public Affairs Internship Scheme is recruiting at least six recently graduated Catholics to learn from an intensive experience of political and social action in a spiritual context. The scheme will run from September 2019 until July 2020. Internship positions are given with Christian MPs and Peers in Parliament, the Catholic Education Service, CAFOD and the Caritas Social Action Network. All interns also gain from retreats and spiritual guidance, as well as living in a vibrant, young Catholic community in the centre of London. During the year, as part of their overall formation, interns will study for a Postgraduate Certificate in Catholic Social Teaching from St Mary's University, Twickenham. Further information can be found at www.faithinpolitics.org.uk. Applications are open, and the closing date is 28 February 2019. Applications should be made through the website. Please direct any questions to stephanie.macgillivray@cbcew.org.uk, or visit @faithinpolitics on Facebook or @catholicinterns on Twitter

VOCATIONS APPEAL :“Opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts.” Are you beginning to see your life as a gift to be given to the Lord as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother? To explore further, contact Fr. John Cooke, Diocesan Vocations Promoter, on: vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869.

FLAME 2019 - 2ND MARCH 2019 This is a highlight national event for Catholic young people in Wembley Arena, featuring inspirational international speakers, award winning music and celebrating faith and the young Church. Ages 14 - 25. NB. Under 18s must attend as part of a group. Over 18s may register as an individuals. Go to <http://catholicyouthwork.com/flame-2019-online-booking-now-open/>

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. Please make sure your contact details on the letter and/or form. All processed forms will need to be picked up from the Parish Office. **Please check the return date for your school application. - St Peter's is 15th January 2019.**

MONTHLY SUMMARY: November	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	£1,812.00	£2, 658.11	£236.30	£2, 380.87	£7,087.28

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!!")*



If you are a UK taxpayer please consider **GIFT AIDING** your donation. The parish can reclaim 25p for every £1 donated. To join the Gift Aid scheme, or if you want an annual box of offertory envelopes, please give contact details to Finance Administrator in Parish Office. **Yellow GIFT AID envelopes** available at the back of church.