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/

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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	

~~ CONVENT NEW telephone number: 01202 430927 ~~ 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 next weekday masses are feria except: Tue 5: St Agatha Wed 6: Ss Paul Miki SJ & comps, Bb Charles Spinola SJ, Sebastian Kimura SJ & Comps.

4th Sunday of Year C - 3rd February 2019

YOU ARE SPECIAL TO GOD. The incident related in today's gospel story is a precious moment of grace for the people of Nazareth, one that we too experience from time to time – Jesus invites them and us to stop hiding behind their false identity and come to the truth of themselves. We all need to feel special; the problem is how we go about fulfilling that need. The easy - but false - way is to take the short cut of finding our "specialness" in belonging to a group that considers itself superior to others. We find our "specialness" in our sex, race, colour, ethnic origin, nationality, or from the fact that we are married, are "old boys" or "old girls" of some school, university graduates, have a job, or own our homes.

Today's reading reminds us that the same happens with religious groups. The people of Nazara, like the Jews in general, like members of churches, or of groups within them such as priests, religious and leaders of prayer groups, look on themselves as "the chosen people". The basic fault in all these situations is to forget that being part of a group says nothing about our personal worth. If we settle for the group-identity we become complacent and stop facing the truth about ourselves The moment of grace comes when someone from our group sees through the cover up, starts mixing with outsiders, and declares that some of them are every bit as good as we are, perhaps even better. A good Catholic boy marries a girl from a different faith, and comes back to say that his in-laws are just as holy, as members of his church. One of our own children, perhaps in a moment of anger, shows up our double standards and compares us unfavourably with our neighbours.

We think of those who refuse to play the racial game in politics, business or sport, and criticise members of their own religious or ethnic group. At the world level, Pope John Paul asks forgiveness for the sins of the church, Gandhi refers to the Dalits as God's special children, Nelson Mandela forgives the former rulers of South Africa.....

The person moves on and leaves us to ponder this painful but very important moment of truth....Our anger turns to gratitude, we thank God that the Jesus-person he sent us did not flinch before our anger, but slipped away quietly leaving us to move from a false identity and find our true selves. We are all special to God. https://www.catholicireland.net/

WE WELCOME this weekend our Provincial Fr Damien Howard SJ, who is visiting our parish for a few days.

ST BLAISE The Blessing of Throats will be at the end of 10am Mass tomorrow Monday 4th Feb.

THANK YOU to all those who helped and supported the Christian Unity week CTIB service and lunch here last week. Over the week approx. £250 was raised in donations from all the services and lunches in Boscombe. This money will be split between Churches Together In Boscombe projects. Roger Jackson

SETTING YOUNG HEARTS ON FIRE. The Hearts On Fire team (HOF) together with Sister Joana (Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus) and some volunteers, welcome young children from school years 4, 5 and 6, to join us for a six weeks' project as we discover together how to develop a deep and meaningful friendship with

God and with each other. We will start on Tuesday 26th February for year 4 (Memorial room), and Wednesday 27th February for years 5 and 6 from 3:30 to 5:00 (Sisters' house). We aim to create a space in which we can explore ways of connecting our faith to our daily lives. If you would like your child to be part of this exciting adventure, please find more information, together with an application form, on the table in the church porch. Any queries please contact heartsonfireyoung@gmail.com or Sr. Joana - 07470 872356.

JOURNEY IN FAITH - RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS Next session Monday 4th February 2019. 7.30pm - 9.00pm in the Memorial Room.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - PARENTS' EVENING on Thursday 7th February 7pm in the Parish Centre on the subject of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This is for Parents/Guardians/ Carers only.



RECONCILIATION SERVICE Saturday 9th February at 11.00am for all children.

NEXT CHILDREN'S SESSION will be on Saturday 30th March: 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.

DAY OF PRAYER & REFLECTION ON SATURDAY 16th FEBRUARY. Our next session will be led by Fr Tony Horan SJ in the Memorial Room at Corpus Christi Church on the topic of "We are adopted children of the Father. How can we best respond to this gift"? 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. Please find details on poster.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER. Friday 1st March at Corpus Christi Church, Boscombe at 2.00pm. The service has been prepared by the women of Slovenia, one of the smallest and youngest countries in Europe. For more information please email: sallygadamson@gmail.com kateharris48@googlemail.com. *Everyone welcome.*



THE CHOIR & ORCHESTRA OF BOURNEMOUTH UNIVERSITY concert of Rachmaninov: Vespers, Faure: 🖷 Requiem and Mozart: Eine kleine Nachtmusik on Sat 23rd Feb at 7.30pm in Christchurch Priory. Tickets £18, £12. (Student concessions available) Available from www.christchurchpriory.org/events or at the door. See poster

PORTSMOUTH YOUTH DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2019 Under the leadership of Bishop Philip Egan 24th - 30th July 2019 | 7 days £475 pp sharing. Includes Private coach travel to Lourdes and return • 4 nights' accommodation in the Hotel La Solitude • Breakfast, lunch and dinner whilst in Lourdes • Guided walking tour of Lourdes visiting places associated to St. Bernadette • Full assistance of Joe Walsh Tours guides and representatives throughout the pilgrimage Full religious programme facilitated by Joe Walsh Tours in conjunction with the Diocese of Portsmouth. Booking forms in church porch or contact Fr PJ Smith on 07780221686 or lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

DO YOU WANT TO "MAKE A DIFFERENCE"? Roger Lillie, Trustee of the Catenian Bursary Fund writes... Are you a young Catholic between the ages of 16 and your 25th birthday? Do you intend to volunteer with a project to help the needy and less fortunate or help with a Diocesan or HCPT organised pilgrimage to Lourdes. If so, the Catenian Bursary Fund could help you. Over recent years we have given over £1.25m to over 10,000 applicants and we want to continue our support. All you need to do is to complete one of the application forms on our website www.catenianbursary.com/ Please visit and follow us our Social Media (Twitter, Facebook, Instagram & YouTube) and you will see feedback on the fantastic help carried out by many young Catholics with our support. There are lots of stories and helpful tips and advice from past volunteers – and we hope it will give you ideas! Look out for us at Flame 19 and make a difference in the world!

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A TEACHER? The Catholic Teaching Schools Alliance is running a series of Open days. The CTSA believe the best way to train to be a teacher is in the classroom supported by a team of experts, trainers and mentors who will support you throughout your day to day experience. To find out more come to a CTSA Open day. There is no need to book, just turn up. Thursday 7th Feb 09.00 - 11.00 Springhill School, Southampton Thursday 14th Feb 09.00 - 11.00 Corpus Christi School, Bournemouth

PORTSMOUTH DIOCESE DON BOSCO CAMP 2019: 28th July - 3rd August 2019 an opportunity for secondary school boys to have an exciting, activity-packed camping holiday in a safe but challenging countryside setting. Further information: www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/youth/donbosco and contact: dbcamps@portsmouthdicoese.org.uk

DISCERNMENT WEEKEND FOR MEN The Beda College in Rome is running a discernment weekend for men between the ages of 30 and 55 from Friday 30th August to Sunday 1st September 2019. It will take place at St Beuno's Spirituality Centre in North Wales. The weekend is aimed at men who are not already officially in touch with their diocese and is a first step for those who may be exploring the possibility of priestly vocation in later life. Information and registration forms can be found at https://www.pathwaystogod.org/courses-events-retreats/discernment-weekend-older-men

2/3 FEB WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE "Before you were born, I consecrated you." Do you think that you may be called by the Lord to serve Him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? To explore further, contact Fr. John Cooke on vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY Universal: Say "No" to Corruption That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

MONTHLY SUMMARY: November	S/O & D/D	GA ENVS	ENVS	LOOSE PLATE	TOTAL
Thank you! 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. Account number: 01786041. Sort code 30-93-04. Parish ("It's so easy to do!!") which are:



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.