



# CORPUS CHRISTI BOSCOMBE NEWSLETTER



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IS "ONLY JESUS"

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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/](http://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	760640	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/> Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus **CONVENT: 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 feria. Except: Mon 9: St Peter Claver SJ Fri 13: St John Chrysostom Sat 14: The exaltation of the Holy Cross NB: Collection for Catholic Education Service this weekend.**

## 23rd Sunday of Year C - 8th September 2019



**TELEPHONE SYSTEM** If you have tried to contact, or have left messages for, Fr Adrian or the Parish/Finance Office please be advised that our telephone system has been down since Wednesday 28th August. We are sorry for any inconvenience caused but it was out of our control. It is now working.

**HALF-HEARTED CHRISTIANITY** Today's gospel sets the homilist a real challenge. The listeners will not need explanation of Christ's words about carrying the cross, but they will need some convincing of what he meant by "hating father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters" – a teaching that seems to fly in the face of natural affection. One of the following experiences might help.

(1) A priest went to Taizé with a group of young people. Among the many tales he brought back was this. One evening as the English-language visitors gathered for a general meeting he was asked to reserve two seats beside him. After repeatedly telling others that those seats were occupied he finally gave in and told the next pair: "Yes, these seats are free. Take them away with you," which they did. From that moment he had peace. Eventually his companions returned to find their places vacant but without seats. They had no bother finding seats for themselves and returning to their reserved places. Everybody was happy with this arrangement. Sometimes we are so concerned with holding on to what we might need that we fail to see other's needs and our opportunity to help.

(2) Another afternoon at Taizé the whole group had planned an outing. The rain poured all that day and there were many glum faces looking out from the various tents. Making the most of things, they decided to come together for an extra session of prayer and discussion. This turned out to be the most memorable event of the whole trip. Learning to adjust to unfulfilled plans, waning strength, failing health and uncertain fortunes, is a key to happiness and contentment. We are not masters of all we possess, e.g., talents, health and even life itself.

(3) Again at Taizé, two of the group were deaf. Not being able to hear is a great handicap, a barrier to be overcome. These two could have missed so much of the experience at Taizé, the music, the bells, the prayers, the sincerity of the group discussions. However, for the whole week they were able to participate through the help of their friends who relayed everything to them through signs and lip reading. There was a modern miracle of the deaf hearing, and the others discovered so much about themselves in the process.

(4) One of the two parables in the gospel, found only in Luke, might provide the basis for a homily. Building a tower is not a useless exercise in vanity. It had a practical use in the vineyard. A modern parallel might be a grain silo or shed. It is ironic that Luke and Jesus pick an example of progressive investment in farming to illustrate a lesson on detachment from property. Obviously, they approve of the venture as it shows where half measures will not do. Half-hearted Christianity is not a profitable affair either. *Extracted from [www.associationofcatholicpriests.ie/2019/09/08-september-2019-23rd-sunday-c/](http://www.associationofcatholicpriests.ie/2019/09/08-september-2019-23rd-sunday-c/)*

**WELCOME BACK** to all our parishioners who have travelled away, to all the teachers and school staff, and to all our young people who are returning to school, or maybe starting a new school/college/university. We hope you have had a good break and are feeling refreshed and renewed, ready to sing the praises of Jesus Christ, our saviour and our guide.

**REPOSITORY:** Christmas Cards, 2020 Calendars, Diaries, etc. now available in the Repository. Please come in and have a browse. From 2nd October the Repository will be open on a Wednesday morning. **Fiona Foy**

**JOINT SERVICE FOR CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BOSCOMBE** Sunday September 15th at 6.00pm Evening Worship at St Andrew's Church, Florence Road. *All welcome.*

**SAYING GOODBYE**, part of the Mariposa Trust, which offers Baby loss support, remembrance and support services. On the **15th September at 3.30pm in Wimborne Minster** the trust is holding one of its **Saying Goodbye services**. Anyone who has either personally lost a baby at any stage of pregnancy, at birth or in early years, or who has been affected by a family members or friends loss. Whether the loss was recent or 80 years ago, everyone is welcome to attend. To read more on the charity, please see the Saying Goodbye website, which you can find at: [www.sayinggoodbye.org](http://www.sayinggoodbye.org)

**SAVING OUR COMMON EARTH: NO TIME TO LOSE** Jesuit Missions invites you to join to the talk given by the Commonwealth Secretary General Rt Hon. Patricia Scotland QC at Farm Street Parish 114 Mount Street, London W1K 3AH on Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> September at 18:30 – 20:30. Baroness Scotland will give an insight into the action taken by the Commonwealth in tackling climate change, followed by Q&A and refreshments. More at: [www.jesuitmissions.org.uk](http://www.jesuitmissions.org.uk)

**BOURNEMOUTH HEBREW CONGREGATION AND ST PETER'S CHURCH** invite you to hear the stories of two peace activists: one Israeli and one Palestinian. People of all faiths & none, are welcome to this interfaith event, in partnership with Solutions Not Sides on Thursday 19 September 7- 9pm Tickets £4, all proceeds go to Solutions Not Sides from: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/invest-in-peace-bournemouth-2019-tickets-66198711127> Phone enquiries: 01202 557433 (option 6) PLEASE BRING PHOTO ID - MAY BE REQUIRED FOR ENTRY TO THE EVENT WITH YOUR TICKET.

**CLIMATE CHANGE, FAITH AND ME** On Saturday 21st September. 10am-4pm. Talks and workshops about meeting the challenges of climate change. Free admission. Lunch and refreshments provided at Quaker Meeting House, Wharncliffe Road, Boscombe. Register at Evenbrite via: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/climate-change-faith-me-tickets>

**CAFOD** Update meeting 21st September You are invited to a CAFOD update meeting on Saturday 21st September from 2:30pm to 4:30pm at St Edmund Campion Church 481 Castle Lane West Bournemouth BH8 9TN. Please book your place (so we have an idea of number of attendees) emailing [portsmouth@cafod.org.uk](mailto:portsmouth@cafod.org.uk) phone 01252 329385

**FIND THE CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN AND CATHOLIC SOCIETY AT YOUR UNIVERSITY.** Most of our Universities and Higher Education Institutions have a dedicated Catholic Chaplain based in the university or the local parish. The Catholic Chaplaincy is a place for you to explore your faith, to meet people with similar interests from a great range of backgrounds, and to get involved in activities and social outreach. If you already have a strong faith, this is a chance to deepen it. If you are full of questions and doubts, this is a chance to share them and search for some honest answers about life and faith. Everyone is welcome. Go to <http://www.catholicsatuniversity.org.uk/> or email: [universitychaplaincy@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:universitychaplaincy@rcaos.org.uk)

**FIND YOUR LOCAL CHRISTIAN UNION** are students reaching students for Christ. **Go to: [www.uccf.org.uk/find-your-cu](http://www.uccf.org.uk/find-your-cu)**

 **TRAVELLING OR GOING TO UNI?** Take **Pray As You Go** with you! Go to [www.pray-as-you-go.org/](http://www.pray-as-you-go.org/) Download on your mobile. A framework for personal prayer for 10/13 minutes, combining music, scripture & reflection.

**ST PETER'S SECONDARY SCHOOL OPEN EVENINGS, Southbourne Site** For September 2020 please come to one (or both) Open Evenings on **19th & 24th September 2019**, 6pm starts. Please note the closing date for applying for the school and to get Baptism Certificates and signed Supplementary Information Forms to the school is **31st October 2019**. If you miss that date it may not be possible to consider your child in the Catholic category for a place at the school for September 2020.

**ST PETER'S PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN EVENING, Iford site.** For September 2020 places. **Thursday 17th October**, 6.00pm - 7.30pm. Headteacher's talk at 6.30pm. **Closing date for SIF forms 15th January 2020.**

**ST PETER'S SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING, Southbourne site.** Thursday 10 October 2019 starting at 6.00pm

**SCHOOL ADMISSIONS Completion of 'CONFIRMATION OF RELIGIOUS PRACTICE' or 'SIF' Form**

**OUR PROCEDURE for members of CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH:** To have a Religious Practice form signed by a priest:

1. **Complete the SIF form** (Please **tick the appropriate attendance box and contact details**)
2. Write a **SEPARATE COVERING LETTER** (include your **telephone number**) stating your regularity to **WEEKEND Mass**, how long you have worshipped at Corpus Christi, & any other involvement in the church. **Please be as honest and open as possible.**
3. Put both the form & covering letter in an envelope & post through the door of Parish Office, No:18 St James Square.

**OUT OF COURTESY, PLEASE DO NOT ASK ANY PRIEST DIRECTLY TO SIGN A FORM.**

**RETURN OF ALL FORMS:** If the form is correct and has a covering letter it will be offered to the Parish Priest for signing. Once processed, parents will be contacted to come and pick it up from the Parish Office to take directly to the school.

(SECONDARY SCHOOL FORMS closing date is **31st October 2019** Please do not leave it to the last minute, as forms will not be signed on the day and may take up to a week to get it signed, stamped and back to you. **Parish Administrator**)

MONTHLY SUMMARY: July	S/O & D/D	GA ENVS	ENVS	LOOSE PLATE	TOTAL
<i>Thank you! for your contlnued generosity!</i> Society of Jesus Reg. Charity No. 230165 Diocese of Portsmouth Reg. Charity No. 246871	£2,306.00	£1,796.26	£211.00	£2,181.01	£6,494.27

**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.