



CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH BOSCOMBE
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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Christ invites us to stop and take a breath. Each breath is like a new song with the same beat. Our breathing can also be a prayer, a way to meet God who is at work in us.

CHURCH NOTICE: ACCORDING TO NEW GOVERNMENT GUIDELINES WE ARE NOW EXPECTED TO WEAR MASKS WHEN IN CHURCH

Fr Adrian writes: In times of difficulty and challenge, as now, we turn to God. However, we have to learn to turn to God at all times. The Readings for the Nineteenth Sunday of the Year remind us of how God wishes to help us, guide us and forgive us. God loves and cares for us.

The First Reading (1 Kgs 19: 9, 11-13) recounts how Elijah, fleeing for his life, seeks refuge in a cave and encounters God. In the Second Reading (Rms 9:1-5) St. Paul speaks about the sorrow he suffers because his fellow Jews refuse to accept Christ as the Messiah. In the Gospel (Mtt: 14:22-33) when the Apostles are caught in a storm, Jesus comes to them, calming their fears and brings them peace.

The essence of faith is that even when things seem really bleak, we must believe that Christ is present to us. God, in Jesus Christ works alongside us. To step out in faith is to accept that we need to

work with Christ and with each other. Sometimes we are asked to act as agents of Christ to help others, and I, as Parish Priest, am very aware of that; the prayerful support and practical help you offer each other and me is inspiring. ` Keep safe. Prayers and blessings. Adrian Howell SJ.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH: Barry Henwood, Lourdes Saunders, Sally Lees, Carmel Rippington, Joyce Smith, Angela Hagley, Mary Atfield, Pat Hayden and Barbara Atkin- Spivey. 🙏

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME: Jersey Wasilewski; Eileen Kilgallon; Doris Mooney; Sister North Birch ACI and Fr Hugh Ross SJ. RIP. 🙏

POPE FRANCIS' Thoughts on COVID 19

“Like a sudden breaking storm, the coronavirus crisis has caught us all by surprise, abruptly changing on a global level our personal, public, family and working lives. Many people have lost loved ones, as well as their jobs and financial

In many places, an unusual and were left unable to leaving many painful Eucharistic



were an emergency measure for which many were grateful. But virtual transmission is no substitute for the living presence of the Lord in the celebration of the Eucharist. The presence of the Risen Lord in His Word and through the celebration of the Eucharist will give us the strength we need to resolve the difficulties and challenges that we will face after the coronavirus crisis.

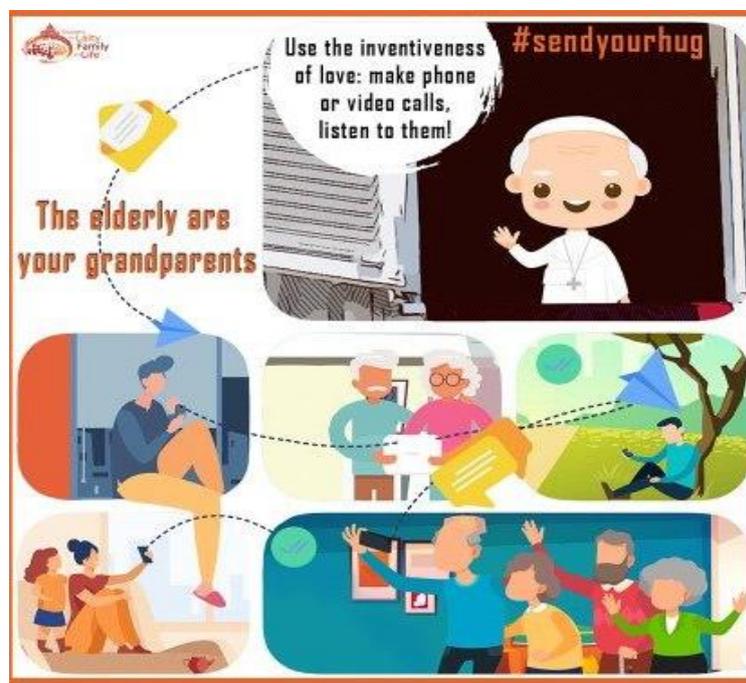
stability. even Easter was celebrated in solitary manner, and people find solace in the Sacraments Catholics to undergo a time of fast. Livestreamed Masses

The risk of contagion from a virus should teach us how the “contagion” of love passes from one heart to another. I am grateful for the spontaneous acts of altruism and heroic dedication shown by carers, by doctors and priests. In these past weeks, we have felt the strength which comes from faith. The crisis has shown us that, especially in times of need, we depend on our solidarity with others. In a new way, it is inviting us to place our lives at the service of others. It should make us aware of global injustice and wake us up to the cry of the poor and of our gravely diseased planet.

The pandemic has also forced us to question the roots of our happiness and to rediscover the treasure of our Christian faith. It reminds us that we have forgotten or simply delayed attending to some of the key issues in life. It is making us evaluate what is really important and necessary, and what is of secondary or only superficial importance.

So let us discover “a new sense of hope and solidarity.” Just like the disciples on the road to Emmaus, the Lord will also accompany us in the future through His word and through the breaking of bread in the Eucharist. And He will say to us: “Do not be afraid! For I have overcome death”.

[Covid-19: Vatican launches #sendyourhug campaign to support elderly](#) inviting young people “to do something that shows kindness and affection for older people who may feel lonely.” Please encourage your children and grandchildren to get involved.



KEEP CHUCKLING

Stepped on my scale this morning and it said: Please use social distancing, one person at a time.

WARNING!!!

Do NOT let supermarket staff scan your forehead to take your temperature. It erases your memory.

I went in for bread and milk and came out with gin, wine and chocolate instead!!