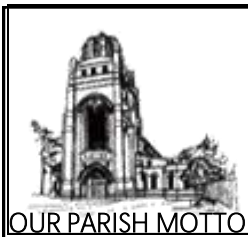


CORPUS CHRISTI BOSCOMBE NEWSLETTER



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MASS TIMES: Daily Mass: Mon - Fri 10.00am **SUNDAY MASSES:** Saturday 6pm & Sunday 9.30am - livestreamed on YouTube or via our website (**9.30am Mass must be pre booked** via designated mobile 07591 541089 on the Wednesday (9am to 7pm) before. Leave your name, contact details and the number of attendees from your household. Please do not call any other number.) **CONFESSIONS:** TEMPORARILY Wednesdays after 10am mass **HOLY DAYS:** 10.00am & 7.00pm **ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT** in church Wednesdays 7pm to 8pm
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	Please contact parish directly
OUR LADY IMMACULATE, Westbourne	Fr. Andrew Moore	760640	Please contact parish directly
SACRED HEART, Bournemouth Congregation of the Oratory of St Philip Neri	Fr Peter Edwards Deacon Roger Carr-Jones	551013 428451	Please contact parish directly



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*

NEWSLETTER

First Sunday of Lent Year B 21st February 2021

"Every year on the First Sunday of Lent the Gospel readings consist of the version of Christ's temptation in the desert. This year (year B) we have St Mark's version without the detail of either Luke or Matthew. In spite of the lack of detail the two brief sentences highlight the empty desert with its loneliness and fear and the brooding presence of evil are a poignant reminder that the central thrust of Lent is one in which promotes a renewal of personal effort to get to grips with the sin and evil that surrounds us.

We may feel that after the last year we have been in Lent for over a year and we have certainly been challenged and isolated from normal social intercourse. However Lent is an opportunity for us to remind ourselves again that the Kingdom of God is close at hand and that is really good news for us.

The aim of Lenten repentance is to change our mindset, to be more and more open to God's good news and telling it makes a difference in our lives, We are asked during Lent to think about God's Kingdom and Jesus good news before we try to change our behaviour. Lent is about us changing our minds.

Thank you for all you do to encourage me, thank you to all who enable the church to be opened every day. May Easter Sunday see us in a more "relaxed" regime. God is with us, Jesus Christ is walking alongside us, the Holy Spirit guides us. **"Fr Adrian**

DURING LENT there will be an extra Mass on Fridays at 7.00pm followed by Exposition for 30 minutes until 8.00pm

LETS TAKE A WALK WITH GOD Praying with nature. Meetings online - 5th – 9th March or 19th to 23rd March Everyone is welcome (no experience needed) To register and for more information go to: heartsonfiresouth@gmail.com

FOOD BANK collections Friday mornings 10.30-11.30am, at side entrance to the Parish Hall, in St James's Square. The Children's Centre, Pokesdown is very grateful for donations but please **NO FRESH FOOD OR NUTS**. They have no storage facilities and are unable to pass these items along in good time. They are well stocked with some items but at the moment they really need: **Tinned meat; Pasta or curry sauces; Tinned fruit and vegetables; Tinned or packet custard; Tinned rice pudding; Long life milk; Savoury crackers e.g. cream crackers, breadsticks. Many thanks.**

DONATE YOUR OLD PHONES AND TECH TO SUPPORT REFUGEES JRS UK is looking for donations of your old phones and technology to provide refugees with the means to stay connected during this time of isolation. This technology helps refugees access vital support, legal advice and stay connected with loved ones. If you have a old phone or tablet sitting in a draw, do get in touch with JRS! **For more information visit:** www.jrsuk.net/news/donate-your-smartphone-and-make-a-difference/

CAFOD invites you this Lent, to join the Big Walk for Water Join the Big Walk for Water! We are asking everyone to walk in solidarity with those who have to walk to collect water each day like Abdella from Ethiopia (see Lent appeal) . You can walk 5 miles or just around your garden but please walk so that we can make this an event to create awareness of water poverty and to raise funds for those living in poverty around the world.

If you are a keen walker could you Walk for Water as a personal Lenten challenge by walking 10,000 steps a day, every day, for 40 days to raise funds for CAFOD's Lent appeal. Find out more at <https://cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Walk-for-Water> Please contact Jo for more information portsmouth@cafod.org.uk Sign up, get fit, change someone's life

ANNIE BENFIELD, from our Parish, is doing this as a sponsored walk. To donate, go to her fundraising page: <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/walk-for-water1399>

CAFOD Lent Appeal. Abdella lives in an extremely remote and mountainous part of Ethiopia. It takes him ten hours a day to collect water. He says his life is being wasted as he has no time for anything else. Give today to reach vulnerable communities around the world with water and to provide other vital support. Donate online at cafod.org.uk/lent or phone 0303 303 3030 or by using a CAFOD envelope. You can also give via text. Text LENT 5 to 70460 to donate £5 or Text LENT 10 to 70460 to donate £10* or LENT 20 to 70460 to donate £20 .Many thanks for your support.

*Texts cost £10 plus one standard rate message you'll be opting in to hear more about CAFOD's work and fundraising via telephone and SMS. If you'd like to give £10 but do not wish to receive marketing communications, text LENTNOINFO to 70460.

Pope Francis asks us to pray for this intention throughout February 2021...

Pope's Prayer for February



"Today, there continue to be women who suffer violence. Psychological violence, verbal violence, physical violence, sexual violence. It's shocking how many women are beaten, insulted, and raped. The various forms of ill-treatment that many women suffer are acts of cowardice and a degradation of all humanity. Of men and of all humanity. The testimonies of the victims who dare to break their silence are a cry for help that we cannot ignore. We must not look the other way. Let us pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded by all."

CAN YOU HELP SPREAD THE NEWS? The diocese is looking for a Volunteer in the Bournemouth Pastoral Area who could help bring diocesan news to our local area? Would you be able, from time to time, to help with the distribution of diocesan news within our Pastoral Area? We are trying to find two or three people who would be willing to receive, from the diocese, perhaps three or four times a year, communications (e.g. the diocesan newsletter) destined to be delivered to parishes within our area. It would really help us save lots of money on postage and it would also ensure that the diocesan news gets to each parish in good time. What's involved? You would receive an email from the diocese arranging a time for a drop off to made to your house or to your parish for you to collect. You would then take responsibility for getting the packs to the parishes within your area. The more volunteers we get the lighter the load for us all – if you would be willing to help please email: events@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk letting us know which parish or place you live in.

LENT RETREATS ONLINE



The Society of Jesus is running a Lent online retreat. It is organized by the Ignatian Spirituality Centre in Glasgow. BBC Radio 4's Daily Service and Sunday Worship will be taking readings and themes from the retreat. Walk through Lent and Easter and really come to understand and love Jesus! The retreat will ponder Gospel stories, reflect on their meaning and see how startlingly relevant Jesus is to living a truly human life in the 21st century. Follow the retreat online, and sign up to an online group (places limited). <https://www.onlineprayer.net/>

You can also sign up to receive daily emails during Lent and additional resources (<https://jesuit.us7.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=5055c71e9666566ae02088a4a&id=c56bc87314>)

Finally, you can follow the Lent Retreat on the Jesuits in Britain social media channels: Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

Journey with JRS UK this Lent The Jesuit Refugee Service UK will once again be producing a daily Lenten resource to accompany you on your Lenten journey. Each day you will receive an email with a story from one of our refugee friends at JRS UK, a short passage of scripture, some points for reflection and a call to action. We hope it will be a fruitful way to pray with and for our refugee friends during the Lenten season. Subscribe to the daily emails here: www.jrsuk.net/subscribe

Also Accompaniment in Action: Activities Showcase Join JRS UK on Wednesday 24th February between 18:30 – 19:30 for our first Accompaniment in Action event of 2021 which will be a showcase of some of the different activity groups run by JRS UK Read more: www.jrsuk.net/news/join-us-for-an-activities-showcase/

Register: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_hv6AJcP_S7SerW_EVsLv3g

Finding Hope in Scripture To mark the Year of the Word, Sr Hyacinthe (Dominican Sisters of St Joseph AT Sway) is inviting you to join the Formation for Mission Team Lenten Retreat starting on 22nd February. Every Monday evening during Lent at 7.30pm and for 6 weeks, we will discover aspects of the virtue of hope from six different Bible passages, so that we may grow in hope in these difficult times, and find ways to share our hope with others while preparing for to celebrate Easter as a fulfilment of hope. Our reflection will be followed by a time of live-streamed adoration and Compline with the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph. Register <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEtc-2grjkiGtU8vPFJea2ktvR5U0MZ1mrL>

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. Or donate online at our website: <http://www.corpuschristiboscombe.org.uk/> or on our Facebook page. ("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 on ccfinance@portsmoutdiocese.org.uk