

CORPUS CHRISTI BOSCOMBE NEWSLETTER



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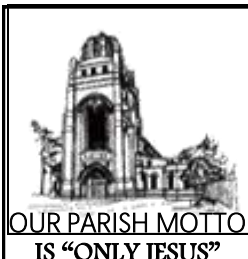
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MASS TIMES: Daily Mass: Mon - Fri 10.00am **SUNDAY MASSES:** Saturday 6pm & Sunday 9.30am - livestreamed on YouTube or via our website (**9.30am Mass must be pre booked** via designated mobile 07591 541089 on the Wednesday (9am to 7pm) before. Leave 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

Second Sunday of Lent Year B 28th February 2021

“On the second Sunday of Lent, in the Gospel, we have the account of the three apostles witnessing a glimpse of the glory of that which is Jesus the Son of God (Mark 9: 2-10) It is wonderful experience for them. So much so, that Peter exclaimed “Lord is good for us to be here”. And it is good for us to be here because we also get a glimpse of our own future, of our own glory, for we are children of God. It is good to remind us that we are called to be whole people, Holy people. In Lent, we are reminding ourselves of God’s closeness to us. We are reminding ourselves that coming close to God’s love in Jesus Christ, means that we wish to be transformed by God’s love for us.

Today's readings remind us of God's closeness to us.

The First Reading (Genesis 22: 1-2, 9-13, 15-18) shows Abraham's complete obedience to God.

The Second Reading (Roman 8: 31-34) St Paul reminds us that God is on our side, therefore we are able to face the challenges that confront us.

Gospel (Mark 9: 2-10) A glimpse of the Glory of God shown in Jesus Christ.

Jesus commands them to tell nobody what has happened until after the Son of Man is risen from the dead. We, the readers of Mark's Gospel, are seeing the story of the Transfiguration in the light of the Cross and Resurrection. We know that without the Cross there would be no Resurrection. It is only after Jesus is seen risen from the dead, that the apostles understood the significance of what they witnessed. The glorious appearance of Jesus only makes sense in the light of Mount Golgotha. On the Cross, Jesus shares our pain and suffering. As followers of Christ we are called to follow Christ on the road to Calvary and then we experience the glory of Christ the risen Jesus. We go from Golgotha to Tabor. We will see God as he really is.”

Keep safe. Prayers and blessings, 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

MY DAY BY DAY LENT BOOKLETS - now available for sale at back of Church. Price is only £1. Please put money in 'pamphlets' slot at back of Church.

PER CRUCEM AD LUCEM ('Through the Cross to the Light): Fr. Serafino Lanzetta of the Marian Franciscans invites you to join them this Saturday at 5pm for Lectio Divina. It will be on the Gospel of St Mark 9:2-10, the epiphanic episode of Our Lord's Transfiguration. Join them on YouTube or Face Book and bring your friends!

Go to: <https://www.youtube.com/c/Radiolmmaculata/featured> or <https://www.facebook.com/radio.immaculata>



THE HOLY FATHER has just issued his Message for Lent for 2021. In this Message, under the title, "*Behold we are going up to Jerusalem*", Pope Francis gathers and arranges the lessons of the passion, crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus into a triad of theological virtues: *faith, hope* and *charity*, and a triad of Lenten exercises: *self-impoverishment* (as in fasting and abstinence), *prayer* and *charity/almsgiving*. These two triads are woven together into forming the Pope's message this year; and, as you can see, they are virtues and exercises which Jesus himself lived and handed on to his followers to be lived also: *to make them more Christ-like!* With his Lenten message, Pope Francis recommends the same virtues and exercises, which Jesus taught his disciples, to us for our Lenten journey to the feast of the resurrection of Jesus at Easter 2021. Go to:

<https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/pubblico/2021/02/12/210212a.html>

"LORD, GIVE ME THE GRACE FOR TRANSFORMATION." The word transfiguration means a change in form or appearance. Biologists call it metamorphosis (derived from the Greek word metamorphoomai used in Matthew's Gospel), to describe the change that occurs when a caterpillar becomes a butterfly. As children we might have curiously watched the process of the caterpillar turning into a chrysalis and then bursting into a beautiful Monarch butterfly.

Fr. Anthony De Mello tells the story of such a metamorphosis in the prayer life of an old man. **"I was a revolutionary when I was young and all my prayer to God was: 'Lord, give me the grace to change the world.' As I approached middle age and realized that half of my life was gone without changing a single soul, I changed my prayer to: 'Lord, give me the grace to change all those who come in contact with me; just my family and friends and I shall be satisfied.' Now that I am old and my days are numbered, I have begun to see how foolish I have been. My one prayer now is: 'Lord, give me the grace to change myself.' If I had prayed for this right from the start, I should not have wasted my life."** (<http://stjohngrandbay.org/>) (Fr. Antony Kadavil - Vatican News)

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> You can also contact her on 01202 422518

CAFOD Lent Appeal. Family Fast Day is Friday 26 February. 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. 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.

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

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/join/register/tZEtc-2grjkiGtU8vPFJea2ktvR5U0MZ1mrL>

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.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy." **Pope Francis**

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!!")**



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