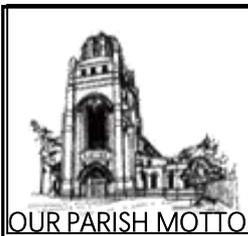


# CORPUS CHRISTI BOSCOMBE NEWSLETTER



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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/](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	Please contact parish directly
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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

**Fourth Sunday of Lent Year B 14th March 2021**

"The fourth Sunday of Lent (Lectare Sunday) the entrance antiphon tells us to Rejoice in our faith in the Lord. The first reading (2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23). Because of their sins God allowed his people to be exiled to Babylon. But the Lord worked through Cyrus to restore people to their land and to renew their relationship with God.

Second reading (Ephesians 2:4-10). It is not through our own efforts that we are saved but through the love and mercy of God.

Gospel (John 3: 14-21) God sent his Son into the world not to condemn but to save us.

It is love that pervades today's readings. Our struggle to love and the Lord's own infinite love for us. Jesus' coming along us is never a matter for making us feel useless, but is always about the Father reaching out to us in order that we might share in his own divine life. God's loving of us is not to do with how good we are or even of how hard we try. It is when we feel ourselves "dead through our sin" that God comes closest to us. The mess and tragedy of Jesus' passion and death, is that we know the fullness of God's love. The total trust of the Son in the Father, even at the darkest hour, is what we are called to share in. We, during Lent, are trying to trust ourselves to God's love, to be recreated and given new life in the spirit. As we progress towards the great Feast of Easter, let us pray for each other and encourage each other. On this Sunday we also pray for all Mothers in thanks and we pray that Mary, the Mother of us all, will inspire us 'The Almighty has done great things for us' Thank you for all your encouragement." **Fr Adrian**

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

**REMINDER TO BOOK SUNDAY MASSES:** Saturday 6pm & Sunday 9.30am - livestreamed on YouTube or our website. Sunday Masses 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.



**FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2021** After Easter we hope to start a programme for First Holy Communion. If it is possible to then have First Holy Communion ceremonies towards the end of September or early October.

**MOTHERS DAY Rejoice!** Lord Jesus Christ, You chose to put yourself - tiny, needy and helpless - into the nurturing and watchful hands of a human mother. Since then, every act of mothering, both physical and spiritual, in every time and every corner of the world recollects Mary's. Today, inspired by this example, we, too, honour our mothers and mother figures (including stepmothers, guardians, and those who would be mothers). Bless these women, that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers and nurturers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, honour them always with a spirit of profound respect. **Amen.**





**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>

**CLERGY ASSISTANCE FUND** Our Second Collection this Sunday is for the Clergy Assistance Fund which supports the invaluable work of the Clergy Support Team. The Team is responsible for looking after our clergy, from supporting newly ordained priests to settle into their ministry, to providing ongoing support and formation for those in active ministry, to caring for our clergy through illness or in a time of need. As a Diocese, we are responsible for supporting the 73 diocesan clergy in active ministry, 40 from religious orders or overseas and 45 in retirement, who with dedication and care serve our parishes, chaplaincies, schools, outreach and mission: bringing people closer to Jesus Christ through his Church.

We rely on your commitment and generosity to do this. If you would like to give a gift to this collection, you can donate here: <https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/fundraising/clergy-assistance-fund>

**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.

**MISSIO ST JOSEPH NOVENA** Wednesday 10 March - Thursday 18 March Each year the Mill Hill Missionaries prepare for the feast day of St Joseph, their patron, with a special Novena of Masses and prayers. Prayer is the foundation of all mission work, both in this country and abroad.

Go to [https://missio.org.uk/mill-hill-missionaries-novena-to-st-joseph/?mc\\_cid=ad6065f573&mc\\_eid=0d61f48ece](https://missio.org.uk/mill-hill-missionaries-novena-to-st-joseph/?mc_cid=ad6065f573&mc_eid=0d61f48ece) for more information. Sign up to the Novena eNews for a daily email with a reflection and prayer for the nine days of the Novena to St Joseph by going to: [https://missio.org.uk/missio-novena-enevletter/?mc\\_cid=ad6065f573&mc\\_eid=0d61f48ece](https://missio.org.uk/missio-novena-enevletter/?mc_cid=ad6065f573&mc_eid=0d61f48ece)



**CAFOD Big Walk for Water. 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

**VOCATIONS: Fourth Sunday of Lent - March 14 Intentions: That we may have faithful priests and consecrated religious to guide us just as Jesus was the light that came into the world, we pray to the Lord.**

"God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him." Are you being invited to share the mission of Jesus as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life?

Contact Fr. John Cooke.vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869

### **LENT RETREATS ONLINE**

**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](mailto:heartsonfiresouth@gmail.com)



**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. 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>)

**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](http://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. Every Monday evening during Lent at 7.30pm and for 6 weeks. 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>

**HOLY HOUR AT THE CATHEDRAL** "On Thursdays at 7.30pm for an Hour of Prayer and Praise called "Verso L'Alto: During lockdown and the COVID pandemic, as Christians our key task must be to pray for a good way through the crisis. We pray for the sick and for those who have died, and for the safety of all." Bishop Philip

<https://www.portsmouthcatholiccathedral.org.uk/live-mass.php>

**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, as they have no storage facilities. Many thanks.

### **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

"Apart from the cross, there is no other ladder by which we may go to heaven." St. Rose of Lima

**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](mailto:ccfinance@portsmoutdiocese.org.uk)