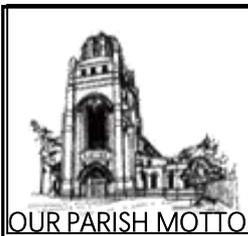


# CORPUS CHRISTI BOSCOMBE NEWSLETTER



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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

### Fifth Sunday of Lent Year B 21st March 2021

"The fifth Sunday of Lent we are asked to reflect on our faith in Jesus Christ. Jesus says "unless a grain of wheat dies it remains a simple grain but if it dies it yields a rich harvest" (John 12: v24) And Jesus goes on to say "Anyone who loves his life, loses it: Anyone who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life" (John 12 v24)

The grain of wheat will do no good if it is not sown but sown, it yields a rich harvest. In dying it bears much fruit. Jesus says that in being glorified by his death, will result in a rich harvest. His death will lead to conquering of sin and death and lead into Resurrection and new life. During Lent we are trying to see in what way we can lead a more fruitful life. We have to die to selfishness and sinfulness and lead a more fruitful life. We are trying to be more open to God's love and learn how to respond to love thus serve more fruitfully.

Today's readings: First reading (Jeremiah 31: 31-34) The prophet tells a shattered people that God has not forsaken them, but will make a new and more intimate covenant with them.

Second Reading: (Hebrews 5: 7-9) the writer states that through his obedience and suffering, Christ became a source of eternal life.

Gospel (John 12: 20-33) In his death, Jesus will be glorified and bring life to those who follow him.

In these last two weeks of Lent we are asked to accompany Jesus on the road to Calvary and Resurrection. We are not walking alone - Christ is walking alongside us" **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**

**EASTER OFFERINGS FOR FR ADRIAN** The Easter Sunday Collection traditionally supports our parish priests, in recognition for all the dedication, guidance and care they give across our Diocese and in each parish.

If you would like to give a gift to support Father Adrian in his vocation and mission this Easter, please visit:

**<https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/fundraising/bournemouth-corpus-christi-easter-sunday-collection>**

**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.

**NATIONAL DAY OF REFLECTION NEXT WEEK** The Prime Minister has asked for a National Day of Reflection on the first anniversary of the first lockdown next Tuesday, 23rd March 2021. The President and Vice President of the Bishop's Conference, Cardinal Nichols and Archbishop McMahon, have developed this theme asking all Catholics to hold this day not only as one of Reflection but of Prayer, with an encouragement for all our people to pay a visit to churches and pray for the many needs, hopes and sorrows that have emerged over the last year.

## **ASK YOUR MP TO ATTEND A PARLIAMENTARY EVENT ON THE DANGERS OF DIY ABORTION**

Governments are currently deciding on whether to make permanent the temporary measure allowing 'DIY' home abortions in England, Wales and Scotland. To ensure that politicians are aware of the negative impact of 'DIY' home abortions, the All-Party Parliamentary Pro-Life Group will be hosting a parliamentary event on Tuesday 23 March where experts will cover the latest evidence on how 'DIY' home abortions are placing women at risk. Right To Life UK has set up an easy-to-use tool that will enable members of the public to easily contact their MPs asking them to attend this event. You can do so by following the link. It only takes 30 seconds! [www.righttolife.org.uk/DIYabortionMeeting](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/DIYabortionMeeting)

## **EVENTS FROM 'FORMATION FOR MISSION' DEPARTMENT OF THE DIOCESE.**

**READERS WORKSHOPS** - Saturdays 17th and 24th April from 10 am to 1 pm – on Zoom. Join us for two workshops to equip or refresh you as a church reader. Workshop 1 is an introduction to the Liturgy and the practical skills of reading, and workshop 2 is an introduction to the Bible. Attend both workshops and sign up for reading practice with a diocesan listener to receive a diocesan Recognition. Register here: <https://www.pffm.org.uk/readers>

**ONLINE CATECHESIS 101** - Tuesday 23rd March at 7 pm – on Zoom Are you a FHC catechist wanting to hold your sessions online? Do you find the idea of online catechesis a bit daunting, and would you like to pick up some tips and tricks from other catechists? If so, this friendly introduction to online catechesis is for you. Join other catechists to find out how to adapt your FHC catechesis to an online format such as Zoom or Teams. There will be practical demonstrations and opportunities for discussion. This event is aimed primarily at First Holy Communion catechists but other catechists may find some of the information useful. All are welcome!

Register here: [https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom-join?zj=meeting/register/tZckc-muqDMjGNX40U\\_ablzNjNGgZGzCsk1A](https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom-join?zj=meeting/register/tZckc-muqDMjGNX40U_ablzNjNGgZGzCsk1A)

**ESSENTIAL TRAINING FOR CATECHISTS** – Every Monday evening at 7 pm for 5 weeks, starting on the 19th April – on Zoom Sr Hyacinthe will run the Essential Training for Catechists course, over five weeks, on Monday evenings, starting on the 19th April. This course is for seasoned or new catechists working with children, young people or adults, for everyone involved in Children's liturgy of the Word, and for anyone interested in passing on the faith.

Find out more here: <https://www.pffm.org.uk/catechists> and register here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom-join?zj=meeting/register/tZAtdu-qzsoH9HdUzajXyM4D1LdHq5EfXZR>

**VOCATIONS: Fifth Sunday of Lent - March 21 Intentions: For all those being called to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life, that they may deepen their faith in Christ who calls them to glorify God in a profoundly personal way through their vocations, we pray to the Lord.**

"He became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey Him" The gift of a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life is discerned through prayer and grace. Contact Fr. John Cooke. [vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) or call 01329 318 869

## **LENT RETREATS ONLINE - STILL TIME TO JOIN IN .**

**LETS TAKE A WALK WITH GOD** Praying with nature. Meetings online 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. 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/zoom-join?zj=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>

**ARMCHAIR LENT RETREAT** <https://www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/armchair-retreats> With Fr Denis Blacklege SJ

**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** "During Lent, let us find concrete ways to overcome our indifference." 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!!")



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)