

CORPUS CHRISTI BOSCOMBE NEWSLETTER



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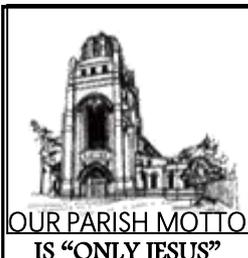
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MASS TIMES: Daily Mass: Mon - Fri 10.00am **SUNDAY MASSES:** Saturday 6pm & Sunday 9.30am - livestreamed on YouTube or via our website (**9.30am Mass must be pre booked** via designated mobile 07591 541089 on the Wednesday (9am to 7pm) before. Leave 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 5th Sunday of EASTER Year B 3rd May 2021

"The readings of the Fifth Sunday of Easter remind us that there is no such thing as a solitary Christian. Every Christian is linked to Christ and to all other Christians. This is clear from the words of Jesus "I am the vine and you are the branches"

Today's readings. First reading (Acts 9: 26-31) This tells us about some of the trials St Paul endured after his conversion. Second reading (1John 3: 18-24) St John is reflecting upon Christ's commandment of love.

Gospel (John 15: 1-8) Jesus uses the image of the vine and its branches to illustrate how close are the ties that bind him to his disciples.

Many today ask "Why should I go to Church?" Why can't I just worship God in my own way? Surely religion is about my personal relationship with God?"

Of course we, all of us, are trying to form a personal relationship with God but from the earliest times, following Jesus was never a private personal matter. Christians came together to live in community, to profess their faith in Jesus Christ, to witness his Resurrection. The profound reason for this is given by Christ himself when he said "I am the vine, you are the branches" The first disciples of Jesus had seen him, eaten with him, and spoken to him after his Resurrection. They had deep connections with him and drew strength from that. He sent them out to share the Good News, to bear much fruit. The Church has attempted to do that over the centuries.

I know my faith in Christ is strengthened by the dedication and love and ministry I witness in Boscombe. We are all living Branches of the Vine." **Thank you all. Keep safe. Fr Adrian**



FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2021 Applications for the First Holy Communion Programme are now available to download from the Parish website. Please return a completed hard copy to the Parish Office or email a completed copy to the Parish Office on ccooffice@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk - **with the subject reference FHC 2021 Application. The deadline to return applications is 12 noon on THURSDAY 20th MAY 2021.**

You will be informed by 28th May if your child has been accepted on to this year's programme.

The celebrations will be at the end of September / start of October.

The lessons will take place in the church on Saturdays during June, July and September.

All current Covid guidelines will be followed and these dates are liable to alteration if there is a change to the Covid rules

FEAST OF THE ENGLISH MARTYRS, 4TH MAY. On this day in 1535 there died at Tyburn three Carthusian monks, the first of many English men and women martyred for the Catholic faith during the Reformation. Of these martyrs, 284 have been canonised or declared blessed, but the number of those who died or suffered harsh persecution between 1535 and 1680 cannot now be reckoned. They came from every walk of life and are remembered for the example they gave of constancy in the faith and courage in the face of persecution. Here is the prayer to say, the Collect of the Mass for the day: **Almighty God, who in our country raised up martyrs from every walk of life to vindicate the authority of your Church in teaching and worship, grant through their intercession, we pray, that all our people may be gathered once again to celebrate the same sacraments under the one Shepherd, Jesus Christ, your Son. Who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.**



NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS OF ABUSE will be on its new date of **Tuesday 4th May 2021**. Here at **Corpus Christi Parish** there will be an extra mass in the evening **Mass at 7.00pm** followed by **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 8.00pm**. Tuesday also remains the Feast Day of the English Martyrs.

The Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors (PCPM) has highlighted the importance of prayer and suggested to Pope Francis that the worldwide Catholic Church should join together in a day of prayer. The Holy Father has welcomed this initiative. From 2021, in response to a request from the Let's Be Honest working group, the Bishops have chosen Tuesday of the 5th Week of Easter as the Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse — 4th May 2021.



A Prayer for Healing & Reconciliation

Praise to you Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
the source of all consolation and hope.

Be the refuge and guardian of all
who suffer from abuse and violence.

Comfort them and send healing
for their wounds of the body, soul and spirit.

Help us all and make us one with you
in your love for justice

as we deepen our respect for the dignity of every human life.

Giver of peace, make us one in celebrating
your praise, both now and forever.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



“Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of healing.” **cf. Matthew 4: 123**



#STAND WITH STAN Jesuit Missions want to thank everyone who sent a card for Fr Stan's 84th birthday on Monday. They took them all to the High Commission of India to be passed to him with love and support. Fr Stan, a Jesuit priest and human rights activist, has been unfairly imprisoned by the National Investigation Agency in India since the 8 October 2020. He is in poor health and suffering from Parkinson's disease. Read more about what happened at: <https://bit.ly/3nqpcjJ>



ROSARY MISSION Mgr. Philip Moger, the new Director of the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, wishes to invite us all to join in a Rosary Mission across the month of May. The intention is to pray for the following:

1. Protecting our families and the family of nations, especially in this Year of St Joseph
2. A deepening of faith, hope and love and the protection of life
3. Peace in the world
4. Deliverance from Coronavirus; for those working for a cure; for those who have died; for those who are suffering and those who care for them.

It will start at 5pm (GMT) on **Saturday May 1**. EWTN will oversee the broadcast and it can be watched on the Shrine's livestream at: www.youtube.com/WalsinghamCatholicTV, www.walsingham.org.uk, www.ewtn.co.uk and www.churchservices.tv/walsingham,

Each night at 8pm there will be the foundational Rosary – to Jesus through Mary - led from a different Parish/Shrine. This will lead into three important Days of Prayer:

1. Monday May 24th – Feast of Mary, Mother of the Church - a Rosary Day of Prayer to pray for our young people and for Families.
2. Sunday May 30th – Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity - National Rosary Relay Rally throughout the Dioceses of England, Wales and Scotland. Rosary hour in Portsmouth Cathedral is from 12 noon til 1 pm.
3. Monday May 31st – Feast of the Visitation – Bishop John Keenan will host a Crowning Rosary online at 8pm, in thanksgiving for the graces received from the Lord Jesus through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of the Rosary during the May 2021 Rosary Mission.

More details on the Walsingham Shrine website <https://www.walsingham.org.uk/2021/04/26/may-2021-rosary-mission/> or at www.rosaryonthecoast.co.uk



DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES “With the lifting of lock down on the horizon and the successful roll out of the Covid-19 vaccination programme Bishop Philip is inviting you to reserve a place on our pilgrimage to Lourdes. **The pilgrimage is from 19th – 23rd July 2021** More info at: <https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/lourdes>

This year we are due to fly from Bournemouth direct to Tarbes, France a much shorter travelling distance and stay as in previous years at the Hotel La Solitude, where we can enjoy en-suite rooms and full board for the duration of our stay. We have exciting plans for our pilgrimage and if you too would like to join us then please complete a booking form and return it to us. Further details can be obtained by emailing lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or phoning 07780 221686”

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** Many thanks.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK “Trials and tribulations offer us a chance to make reparation for our past faults and sins. On such occasions the Lord comes to us like a physician to heal the wounds left by our sins.” St. Augustine of Hippo

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@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk