

CORPUS CHRISTI BOSCOMBE NEWSLETTER

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## **CORPUS CHRISTI MASS TIMES:**

SUNDAY MASSES: Saturday Vigil 6.00pm & Sunday 10.00am and 5.00pm

(6.00pm & 10.00am masses livestreamed on YouTube or via our website)

DAILY MASS: Mon - Sat 10.00am

HOLY DAY MASSES: 10.00am & 7.00pm

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturdays 10.30 -11.30am & 5.30 - 5.50pm

ALL ADORATION SUSPENDED until further notice.

We are part of Pastoral Area 21 (Bournemouth) in the Diocese of Portsmouth, under Bishop Philip Égan www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/e-news/ Member of Churches Together in Boscombe: http://www.ctib.community/

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

LITURGICAL CALENDAR All masses are feria except: Fri 4: St Charles Borromeo

Tues 1 Nov: All Saints

Wed 2: Commemoration of All Souls

## 31st Sunday of Year C 30th October 2022

"A few weeks ago I walked along to the pedestrian area of Christchurch Road (heading for Sainsbury's) and noticed what I thought were Christmas street lights strung between the shops. Thinking this was a bit early, on closer inspection I saw that the decorations were in fact for Halloween. Impressive, as many towns are struggling to afford lights for Christmas – and Boscombe has a set just for this event at the end of October! In recent times there has been an explosion in the whole Halloween thing so that pumpkins are now only a small bit of the story. Orange and black, spooky costumes, Trick or Treat, it's all ballooned into a great money-spinner for retailers.

I suspect that for many people today, young and not so young, the connection has long been lost and few realise the significance of Halloween which is of course connected to the Feast of All Saints on 1st November. For us who are Catholic Christians the coming month is a time when we focus our prayer in a particular way for those who have died. Some were known to us personally; some have died in the past twelve months; some we never knew - such as those who gave their lives in defence of the freedoms we enjoy. Armistice Day and Remembrance Sunday sit well within our month of prayer for all who have died. Each parish has its own traditions and way of commemorating those who have gone before us- and I know Corpus Christi is no exception. The Sunday Readings in the coming weeks bring to our minds what are referred to as 'the last things' and help us reflect on what comes after this life on earth. This is not morbid or something we shy away from. After all, this life is our preparation for heaven. And so we pray for those who have died and are on the next stages of their journey into the fulness of God's presence. May they rest in the peace of our Risen Lord." Fr John



'ALL SAINTS' DAY IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION. So on Tuesday 1st November, masses will be celebrated at 10.00am and 7.00pm.

Prayer for All Saints Day

Dear God, thank you for the example of the Saints. I desire to join in their company, worshiping you forever in Heaven. Please help me follow their footsteps, and yours, Jesus Christ.

Please help me to conform myself to Your image, seeking Your will in all things, as the Saints did. Please help me to devote myself, and all that I do, to Your glory, and to the service of my neighbours. Amen.

Read more at: https://www.praymorenovenas.com/prayer-saints-day



REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES IN NOVEMBER There will be a remembrance book to the side of the Altar for you to enter names of loved ones. They will be remembered daily at Mass during the month.

A SECOND COLLECTION FOR BAMENDA will be taken on 5th/6th November. Our diocese is twinned with Bamenda, the capital of North West Province in Cameroon, West Africa. To support this twinning relationship, the Diocese of Portsmouth comprises a team that supports, enables, directs and develops the relationship and ecclesial exchange between the Diocese of Portsmouth and the Archdiocese of Bamenda. This includes promoting prayer for one another, practical and financial support for projects, the organisation of exchange visits, the promotion of the link in our schools and parishes, and the sharing of news and information

Credit: www.bamendaandportsmouth.com/2017-BishopMichaelBibi/#Ordination

For more information and to see how you can donate or offer support go to: https://www.bamendaandportsmouth.com/

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2023 applications are NOW AVAILABLE. Please complete an application form - available from the back of church or online - return date 27th November 2022.

CONFIRMATION 2023 It has been decided that we will take applications for the Sacrament of Confirmation now to be held next year. Please complete an application form - available from the back of church or online - return date 27th November 2022.



<u>ACI Family (Links of Love) Monthly Meeting Monday 31st October at 11am in the Memorial Room</u> Parish Eucharist is at 10am followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 11am.

ACI Family Afternoon 'Pilgrimage' to Highcliffe Saturday 29th October starting at Holy Redeemer Church 1.50pm Recalling the presence of the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart who first arrived in the area in 1955. Full information on poster at the back of the church with contact details.

RED MISSION BOXES Please can you bring your red mission boxes to either the 10am or 5pm mass on Sunday 27th November so that we can empty them? I will be at the back of church before mass to empty your box. If you are unable to bring it on that day, please could you contact me on 01202 426779 to arrange a convenient time or leave in the parish office. Thank you in advance, Sharon McAndrew.

We will be having a MISSIO Appeal in our Parish of Corpus Christi on 10/11 December at all Masses.

REMEMBERING THOSE WE LOVE- AN INVITATION FROM ST PETER'S SCHOOL: The Chaplaincy Team at St Peter's School would like to invite parishioners to join them for a prayer initiative that is running at St Peter's School Chapel in November. "Remembering Those We Love" is based on the initiative "Nightfever" and is where the whole school community has the chance to light a candle, pray and write intentions for those that they love, both living and deceased. We believe our students would benefit greatly from the witness of local parishioners as they come and pray alongside them in the School Chapel so we would like to invite you to join us in prayer in the Chapel (St Catherine's Road, Southbourne BH6 4AH) between 3pm-4.30pm on Tuesday 8th, Wednesday 9th and/or Thursday 10th Nov. Please come for as little or as long as you can. Please feel free to simply turn up or for more information you can contact chaplaincy@st-peters.bournemouth.sch.uk We look forward to seeing you - everyone is most welcome.

SAVE THE DATES; An Advent Week of Accompanied Prayer, Sunday 4th - Friday 9th November 2022. This week is one way in which we can seek to enrich our prayer life; spending around 30 minutes in prayer each day and with the help of a prayer accompanier who you will meet daily, we explore the nudges of God in our lives. The format is very simple, and no previous experience is needed. If you think you would like to take part in the week, please keep the dates free. We will also be holding a "Come and See" evening on Wednesday 23rd November 2022 for you to find out more. Further information/registration to follow. Hearts of Fire Group, Ignatian Spirituality on the South Coast. Please do contact us for early registration or questions - heartsonfiresouth@gmail.com or 07740389664

THANK YOU The recent CAFOD collection raised 1,027.17 Thank you for generosity!!

A BIG THANK YOU FROM KABANANA! Our Quiz Night was a huge success and from the positive feedback received, a good time was had by all. Thank you to all those who bought tickets and donated raffle prizes or money. We have raised over £1300 for our project. Thank you to Father John for the use of the Parish Centre and in particular to Aidan for his help Hope to see you all next year. Annie Winiecki (on behalf of the Trustees of Kabanana Care)

REPOSITORY Christmas Cards, 2023 Calendars, Diaries, etc. are now available in the Repository. Please come in and have a browse. The Repository is open Friday & Sunday mornings, before & after the 10am Mass. Also I hope to sell Christmas cards before the Saturday & Sunday evening masses, most weeks. Fiona Foy

ST PETER'S COMMUNITY CHOIR Christmas Joy - A Festive concert Sunday 27th November at 3pm in the De La Salle Theatre, St Catherine's Road Southbourne. Joined by children of St Joseph's, Avonwood and St Walburga's Primary schools.



Tickets from: https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-peters-community-choir/t-mojzkae Or scan the QR code.

**VOCATIONS**: "The Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost." Will you share in Christ's saving mission as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact Cn. John Cooke. vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869 Intention: That the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in all those chosen to follow Him as priests, deacons or in the consecrated life and that they in turn will be glorified for their faithfulness to His call, we pray to the Lord.



A SAVE THE DATE ANNOUNCEMENT! STAY AWAKE 2023: Saturday 11th March @ All Saints Church of Slay Awake England Academy, Wyke, Weymouth. Tickets released: 1st December! (A Family Catholic Christian conference for all ages - more later but save the date!) https://www.stayawakejc.com/

FOOD BANK Collections are at Saturday evening and Sunday Masses. Gifts may be dropped off in the church porch. Also Friday mornings collections - 10.30-11.30am, at side entrance to the Parish Hall, in St James's Square. Thank you for

TO SET UP A STANDING ORDER (Can be Gift Aided) Go to your bank: You will need the parish business bank details, which are: PRCDTR BOURNEMOUTH CORPUS CHRISTI Sort code 30-93-04. number: 01786041 Or donate online at our website: http:// www.corpuschristiboscombe.org.uk/ or on our Facebook page.

GIFT AID If you are a UK taxpayer please consider Gift Aiding your donation. The parish can reclaim 25p for every £1 donated, at no extra cost to you. To join the Gift Aid scheme, or if you want an annual box of offertory envelopes, please send contact details to: accounts@corpuschristiboscombe.org.uk



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