

# CORPUS CHRISTI BOSCOMBE NEWSLETTER

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OUR PARISH MOTTO  
IS "ONLY JESUS"

## CORPUS CHRISTI MASS TIMES:

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

(Please note: Our 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

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**  
Mondays after 10am Mass until 11am.



We are part of Pastoral Area 21 (Bournemouth)  
in the Diocese of Portsmouth,  
under Bishop Philip Egan

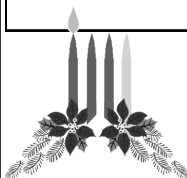
[www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/e-news/](http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/e-news/)

Member of Churches Together in Boscombe:  
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**Royal Bournemouth Hospital/Christchurch  
Hospital** For Chaplaincy call 0300194221  
(Catholic Mass Wed 6pm)  
**Poole Hospital** For Chaplaincy call: 0300 019  
2167 (Catholic Mass Thurs 6.30pm)

**LITURGICAL CALENDAR** All masses are feria mass of Advent except: Wed 30th: St Andrew Sat 3rd: St Francis Xavier

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Year A 27th November 2022



Having unpacked boxes shipped from Cyprus, and done some reorganization in the Presbytery, I have a number of items to dispose of. So, **next weekend**, there will be a table in the entrance area of the church with various bits and pieces. There's no charge (I'm just keen that they are put to good use) but if you do want to make a donation then the money will be used to buy food for the local Foodbank in the run-up to Christmas. Please only take items you will actually use! **Fr John**

**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION [CONFESSION]** My hope had been to organise a Penitential Service during Advent when a number of priests would be available to celebrate this important Sacrament. However, it proved more difficult than I'd anticipated so I shall aim to have one in place during Lent. For now, there are the usual times when a priest is available here at Corpus Christi: Saturday 10.30 to 11.30am and on Saturday evening. I shall be available from 5pm to 5.50pm (ie before Mass). I am very grateful to Father Hugh who is also going to be available on Saturday mornings if the numbers of people attending require an extra priest. I encourage you to come and celebrate this Sacrament during Advent – but please don't leave it until just before Christmas. Please note: there will be **no Confessions** on Christmas Eve. **Fr John**

**TEN YEAR PLAN FOR OUR DIOCESE** The Plan is available on the diocesan website: [portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](http://portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) so please do take time to read it. At the moment it is in draft form and Parishes are invited to feed in comments and observations up until mid-December.

**A meeting is scheduled for 6pm on Sunday 4 December here in the Church (where it is warmer!).** I hope that a good number of people will be able to come along and help shape our response to the Plan. We have been asked to consider four questions for Reflection and comment:

1. Reflecting on the information we have shared, are there any priorities you feel we have missed from our Ten-Year Mission Plan?
2. What else, beyond what is set out in the plan, do we need to do to realise this plan as a Diocese, as parishes, as individuals?
3. Is there anything further we should take into account when considering the shape of parish groupings?
4. Is there any more feedback your parish would like to add?

For those who would like to contribute their views but are unable to attend the meeting, please write or email me at [jnelson@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:jnelson@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) with comments using the four questions listed above. That will make it easier for me to put together a comprehensive response for the Bishop and his team. Time is tight but we need to make sure voices from Corpus Christi are heard in this process.

**PARISH CHRISTMAS CARDS.** Please take home a copy of our Parish Christmas card that gives dates and times of services over Christmas and New Year. Available from Church porch.

**Christmas time:** Saturday 24th December – Christmas Eve Mass 10.00am; 6.00pm Blessing of the Crib and First Mass of Christmas; 8.30pm Carols & Readings; 9.00pm Mass of the Nativity of Our Lord. **SUNDAY 25th December – Christmas Day** Morning Mass at 10.00am (No other Masses today); **Monday 26th December – St Stephen Mass 11.00am (Altar Servers especially welcome)** PLEASE NOTE THE TIME CHANGE; Tues 27th - Sat 31st Dec 10am Mass;

**2023** Sunday 1st January – Mary, Mother of God Masses: 6.00pm (vigil); 10.00am; 5.00pm Monday 2nd - Thursday 5th January Mass 10.00am; Friday 6th Jan – The Epiphany of the Lord Masses: 10.00am; 7.00pm Sat 7th Jan Mass 10.00am Confessions from 10.30am; 5.30pm – 5.50pm Sunday 8th January – The Baptism of the Lord Masses: 6.00pm (vigil); 10.00am; 5.00pm.



## **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Thank you to all those who have registered a child for this year's programme. Confirmation of acceptance onto the course will be going out soon. There will be a **Parent's Information Evening** on **Tuesday 13th December at 7.00pm in the church. At least one parent/guardian/carer of each child must attend** (please do not bring any children to this meeting).

**RED MISSION BOXES** will be emptied **TODAY (27th) before 10am or 5pm mass**. Any problems call Sharon McAndrews on 01202 426779. **There will be a MISSIO Appeal in our Parish on 10/11 December at all Masses.**

**ADVENT IS COMING... 'MY DAY BY DAY' ADVENT** booklet 2022 is now available at the back of Church for only **£1.00** Please put money in the pamphlet slot.

**OUR PARISH SVP** will be providing a 'WARM ROOM', for those who may well find themselves feeling the cold during the coming winter. It will start on **Wednesday 7th Dec and Wednesday 14th Dec** (then re-open on Wed 4th Jan 2023) in the small hall (coffee room) from 1.00pm to 3.30pm with a welcoming cuppa for all. **If you feel that you would like to be help, please give Peter (McGargle) a ring on 07731 776668 for further info.**



STELLA MARIS

**STELLA MARIS CHRISTMAS TREE APPEAL:** We are going to collect Christmas gifts for Seafarers. Did you know there will be about 400,000 Seafarers working over Christmas, separated from their families and friends? Theirs is a tough, relentless life, long hours, boring, noisy, temperature extremes, dangerous and exhausting. Stella Maris meets and supports seafarers around the world. We want to show them that they are not forgotten this Christmas, so we are asking you to donate any of the suggested items, each wrapped in Christmas paper and tagged with a Christmas message for the seafarer. (Or you can donate a wrapped Christmas package with 6 gifts in it, with a tag and a message). When contributing, please remember that most seafarers are men. **Suggested items to include in Packages:** Woolly hat • Woollen gloves • Warm socks • Toiletries: deodorant, toothbrush, soap • Choco-lates and sweets • A good book • Prayer card • Rosary • Tin of sweets • Shareable gifts • Savoury snacks • Nuts • Puzzle games • Magazines • Thank you in advance. Please bring your package to the **Parish Office by the latest Sunday 11th DEC 2022.** **Your gift may be the only present a seafarer receives this Christmas.**

**ACI FAMILY (LINKS OF LOVE) MEETING** Monday 28th November at 11.00am in the Memorial Room at Corpus Christi Church. Parish Eucharist is celebrated at 10.00am followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The ACI Family is a lay community affiliated to the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. More information from Jo Henwood. Email : josephinehenwood@virginmedia.com

**AN ADVENT WEEK OF ACCOMPANIED PRAYER,** Sunday 4th - Friday 9th December 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 in Corpus Christi Memorial Room for you to find out more. For further information/registration/booking form please email- heartsonfiresouth@gmail.com or call 07740389664. Or see information leaflet/booking form in porch. **Hearts of Fire Group.**

**CORPUS CHRISTI PRIMARY SCHOOL Caretaker/Hygiene Supervisor** to join our team which provides high quality support to our school. The post is 20 hrs p/w. (4 hrs per day, Monday to Friday). If you are interested please download the information and application form from [www.cccpschool.co.uk](http://www.cccpschool.co.uk) under key information >vacancies, or phone on 01202 427544 **Applications should be received by midday Mon 5th Dec 2022. Interviews will be held Wednesday 7th December.**

**VACANCY PART-TIME PARISH ADMINISTRATOR HIGHCLIFFE**, to support the Parish Priest in the administration of the Parish based in the parish office, Highcliffe For more details on this role and all of our diocesan vacancies, please go to <https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/about-us/other/jobs/>

**HANDEL'S MESSIAH** Please join University Music's choirs and orchestra for a performance of Handel's much-loved oratorio on Sunday 11th December at 4.30pm in St. Ambrose Church, Westbourne BH4 8BE. To reserve tickets £15 (students & under 18's free) please email [musicadmin@bournemouth.ac.uk](mailto:musicadmin@bournemouth.ac.uk) or purchase at the door (card payments only)

**PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES BY BLANDFORD PARISH & TANGLEY TOURS** 7 -14 September 2023 Pick up from Bournemouth. See noticeboard for information or contact Blandford Parish Office: 01258 452051

**CAFOD World Gifts:** Give a gift of hope this Christmas In Advent, let's share the promise of hope that has been made to us with our sisters and brothers around the world. You can buy CAFOD's World Gifts for family and friends this Christmas online at <https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk/> or pick up a catalogue in church. Brochures at back of Church or scan the QR code.



**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 all your generous contributions to those in need.**

**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. Parish Account 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](mailto:accounts@corpuschristiboscombe.org.uk)

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