

CORPUS CHRISTI BOSCOMBE NEWSLETTER

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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, Tues, Thurs, Fri, Sat 10.00am - Wed 9.00am

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 the Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth, Led by Bishop Philip Egan www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/e-news/

Member of Churches Together in Boscombe: http://www.ctib.community/

Bournemouth Hospital/Christchurch Hospital For Chaplaincy call 03000194221 (Catholic Mass Wed 6pm)

Poole Hospital For Chaplaincy call: 0300 019 2167 (Catholic Mass Thurs 6.30pm)

LITURGICAL CALENDAR This week all masses are feria except: Tues 24: St Francis de Sales Wed 25: The Conversion of St Paul Thurs 26: Ss Timothy & Titus

THIRD SUNDAY of Year A 22nd January 2023

2023 PEACE SUNDAY MESSAGE FROM POPE FRANCIS "Covid-19 plunged us into a dark night. It destabilized our daily lives, upset our plans and routines, and disrupted the apparent tranquillity of even the most affluent societies. It generated disorientation and suffering and caused the death of great numbers of our brothers and sisters.

Amid a whirlwind of unexpected challenges and facing a situation confusing even from a scientific standpoint, the world's healthcare workers mobilized to relieve immense suffering and to seek possible remedies. At the same time, political authorities had to take measures to organize and manage efforts to respond to the emergency.

In addition to its physical aspects, Covid-19 led to a general malaise in many individuals and families; the long periods of isolation and the various restrictions on freedom contributed to this malaise, with significant long-term effects.

Nor can we overlook the fractures in our social and economic order that the pandemic exposed, and the contradictions and inequalities that it brought to the fore. It threatened the job security of many individuals and aggravated the ever-increasing problem of loneliness in our societies, particularly on the part of the poor and those in need. We need but think of the millions of informal workers in many parts of the world left without a job and without any support during the time of the lockdown.

Only rarely do individuals and societies achieve progress in conditions that generate such feelings of despondency and bitterness, which weaken efforts to ensure peace while provoking social conflict, frustration and various forms of violence. Indeed, the pandemic seems to have upset even the most peaceful parts of our world, and exposed any number of forms of fragility.

Three years later, the time is right to question, learn, grow and allow ourselves to be transformed as individuals and as communities; this is a privileged moment to prepare for "the day of the Lord". I have already observed on a number of occasions that we never emerge the same from times of crisis: we emerge either better or worse. Today we are being asked: What did we learn from the pandemic? What new paths should we follow to cast off the shackles of our old habits, to be better prepared, to dare new things? What signs of life and hope can we see, to help us move forward and try to make our world a better place? Certainly, after directly experiencing the fragility of our own lives and the world around us, we can say that the greatest lesson we learned from Covid-19 was the realization that we all need one another. That our greatest and yet most fragile treasure is our shared humanity as brothers and sisters, children of God. And that none of us can be saved alone....

To all men and women of good will I express my prayerful trust that, as artisans of peace, they may work, day by day, to make this a good year! May Mary Immaculate, Mother of Jesus and Queen of Peace, intercede for us and for the whole world. FRANCIS

Extracted from the full message which can be found here https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/peace/documents/20221208-messaggio-56giornatamondiale-pace2023.html

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BOSCOMBE 'Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.' All are welcome to each service. We will be hosting CTIB on Friday 27th January, led by Deacon Roger Carr-Jones. We will begin at 12 noon in the Church. The service will be about 30 minutes and then we invite you to a light lunch of soup and roll in the Parish Centre.

Monday 23rd January at St James **Tuesday 24th January** at St Andrew's Wednesday 25th January at St George's Thursday 26th January at Rosebery Park Friday 27th January at Corpus Christi



MARGARET BOWERY RIP There will be a funeral Mass for Margaret, who was a long standing and active member of the Parish, on Monday 30th January at 10am Mass. May she Rest in Peace.

<u>LENT IS COMING:</u> Ash Wednesday is 22nd February there will be mass at 10am and an evening mass at 7.30pm.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS - CAN YOU HELP? During Lent, on Fridays, we would like lay volunteers to help with leading the Stations of the Cross at 7.00pm, so please hand in your name and dates you can do (24th Feb to April 7th - Good Friday (inc)) to the Parish Office.

VS of the CROSS On Fridays in Lent there will be mass at 7.30pm after Stations.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD will take place TODAY (22nd) at 10.00am Sunday mass and then every other week, if possible. As a general guideline this Liturgy is for children between 4 years and 7 years of age. Parents please remember to sign in.

COLLECTION FOR THE CATHEDRAL This weekend we take the annual collection in support of your Cathedral in Portsmouth. This collection is the only support our Cathedral receives from the wider Diocesan family. Please use gift-aid yellow envelopes, if you are a tax payer, and mark them 'Cathedral' or use your planned giving envelopes or donate online at https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/donate?cid=44937 or give to the retiring collection.

Understandably, we all are aware that these are difficult times for us all, but please give generously to support your Cathedral, gift aiding your donation wherever possible. The Cathedral often bears the burden for many Diocesan events, for which we are very grateful.

SVP The SVP attempt to create a warm room has not been successful. The numbers coming over the five weeks have been very small indeed and it does not make sense to continue with the idea. We will look to commence the afternoon gatherings again as the weather gets warmer. SVP

INTERNATIONAL CARE NETWORK are looking for donations of Men's clothing. "We are currently collecting men's clothing donations for asylum seekers and refugees in our local area who are in need. We are in search of: Shoes/Sandals; Tracksuits/Pants; Underwear/socks; Winter clothing (Hats/Beanies/Gloves/ Scarfs); Jackets/Jumpers/Sweaters.

If you have any of the above (in good or reasonable condition) please drop off at the ICN office at 200 Holdenhurst Road, Bournemouth BH8 8AS, between 9.15-16.30 Monday-Friday. Donations all need to be freshly washed, unless brand new. Underwear and socks must be new and unused. We are so grateful for the support shown by this community to us and those we serve!" If you are unable to take your donation there, please contact Kevin on 01202 429034, who may be able to help.

RECRUITING NOW "Shore Harmonix" Come and join our intermediate mixed adult vocal group Singing a wide range of styles, With an opportunity for solo and duet performances Suited for those looking for a new musical challenge for 2023 No audition required but you must be able to hold a tune. Tuesdays 7pm-9pm £14 per month. First 2 weeks FREE. In Corpus Christi Parish Centre. For more information Call Debs (musical Director) 07999 338562 Email debra.ozanne@hotmail.co.uk Look forward to seeing you.

CAFOD meeting Saturday 4th February 10:30am to 12:30pm at Immaculate Conception Church hall, Portswood Road, Southampton. You are invited to come to a meeting about CAFOD and how your donations make a difference to the communities that we work with. There will be an update on our work tackling climate change in Bangladesh as that is our focus story for Lent fast day . Please contact Jo Lewry for more details and to book your place by emailing: jlewry@cafod.org.uk or call 07710 094447

<u>VOCATIONS</u>: "Repent! The kingdom of heaven is at hand." Are you being called to proclaim the coming of the kingdom as a priest, deacon, religious sister or brother? Contact Cn. John Cooke. vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869

INTENTION: For all men and women called by Jesus to teach the Gospel as priests, deacons, sisters and brothers, that the joy of the Lord will remain their strength during their discernment, formation and mission, we pray to the Lord

FLAME IS BACK!! The largest youth gathering of Catholics, Flame is back, taking place at the OVO Arena, Wembley on Saturday 4th March 2023, with the theme 'Rise Up!'. All young people who are in at least year 9, so around 14, are invited to join with other young Catholic from around the UK at this event. There will be loud music, bright lights, and moments of stillness. For more info email: youth@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or phone 07780 221686.

HEAD OF COMMUNICATIONS VACANCY Full time role, based in Portsmouth Salary: £50,000-£55,000 p/a.

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EDUCATION ADMINISTRATOR VACANCY for 30 hours a week 9.00 - 4.00pm term time only (39 weeks), in Portsmouth PO1 3HQ Salary: £12,296 per annum depending on skills and experience.

For Job Descriptions & details of how to apply please contact: recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk Deadline for completed applications: Friday 27 January 2023 Interviews will be held in February.

FOOD BANK COLLECTIONS have now restarted. Normal 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: CDP BOURNEMOUTH CORPUS CHRISTI Sort code 30-93-04. number: 01786041 Or online website: donate at our http://www.corpuschristiboscombe.org.uk/ or on our Facebook page or to donate via Give As You Live, click on the QR CODE

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 Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth Reg. Charity No.1199568

