

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

HOLY DAY MASSES: 10.00am & 7.00pm (if Wed, 9am & 7pm)

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

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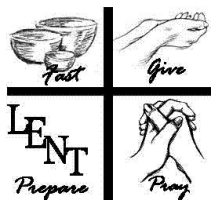
Mondays after 10am Mass until 11am.

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/>

**Royal 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: Wed 1: St David



FIRST SUNDAY of LENT - Year A 26th February 2023

OUR LENTEN JOURNEY

Thank you to everyone for welcoming me back from 'down under'! My visit to Australia and New Zealand was a very enjoyable break and a chance to catch up with family in both countries. I was pleased to return in time for the start of Lent.

Throughout Lent we have Stations of the Cross and Mass on Friday evenings in addition to what we normally do. Whatever you decide to do during this Season of Lent, make the most of these weeks as we prepare ourselves for Holy Week and Easter.

Since arriving in the Parish, I have been very aware that one of the jewels in this community is Corpus Christi Primary School. Never before have I been in a parish where the school is on site and so it's a joy to welcome the children and staff each Wednesday for Mass in our church. Next Sunday, 5 March, the School will be taking a lead at the 10am Mass – through Readings, Prayers and Music. We are hoping this will restart what used to happen some time ago. Also, please pray for the children who will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time next Saturday. Receiving God's mercy and forgiveness through this Sacrament is a special moment in anyone's life. **Father John**



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION The **FIRST RECONCILIATION SERVICE** will be on Saturday 4th March at 11.00am in Church.

Therefore there will be no other CONFESSIONS on that Saturday morning.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD is today at 10.00am Sunday mass. As a general guideline, this Liturgy is for children between 4 years and 7 years of age. *Parents, please remember to sign in.*

LENT 'My Day by Day' booklets for sale. Only £1 and a handy size to carry around. Readings for every day. Available from the back of church. *We have also bought 100 Junior booklets for children, that are free for them to take.*



CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY FRIDAY 3rd MARCH – LENT APPEAL This Lent, your donations will help families fighting the climate crisis and ensure that our Church network can quickly respond to emergencies, like the recent earthquake in Syria and Turkey. Give today using the CAFOD envelope or at cafod.org.uk/give and please join us in praying for CAFOD's development & emergency response work all over the world.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS During Lent, on Fridays, there will be Stations of the Cross at 7.00pm followed by Mass.



JONATHAN KEY RIP There will be a Funeral service for Jonathan on Friday 10th March at 10.00am Mass. **May he Rest in Peace.**



Photo credit: S Cook

A SPECIAL PRAYER INITIATIVE FOR THE 10th ANNIVERSARY OF POPE FRANCIS' PONTIFICATE The Digital Synod launches an online prayer initiative to mark the tenth anniversary of the pontificate of Pope Francis on which is on March 13. To highlight this milestone anniversary in a "viral" manner, the Digital Synod has launched a special online map (<https://www.decimus-annus.org/site/index>) featuring virtual lighted candles representing the prayers of the faithful worldwide for him. According to a press release, "The Petrine ministry is a great grace that Jesus granted to His Church and we must always be grateful for it. Therefore, prayer must be our best gift, so that God may support the service of the one He has chosen for this ministry because on this rock He builds His Church in time and history". Anyone who wishes to join the initiative will find an invitation on the website to pray one or more Hail Marys. "In the end we will send the Holy Father the map with the 'little candles' which represent the Hail Marys that are prayed for him, thanking God for His Mercy," the press release concludes. vaticannews.va
www.cbcew.org.uk/special-initiative-to-mark-the-10th-anniversary-of-pope-francis-pontificate/

POPE FRANCIS says he is deeply saddened to learn of the huge loss of life caused by a powerful earthquake that has struck south-eastern Turkey and north-western Syria. The 7.8 magnitude earthquake rocked wide swaths of the neighbouring countries early Monday morning on 6th February, toppling hundreds of buildings and killing more than 1,500 people. Hundreds are still believed to be trapped under the rubble and the death toll is expected to rise as rescue workers search mounts of wreckage in cities and towns across the area.

In two separate telegrams signed on his behalf by Vatican Secretary of State, Cardinal Pietro Parolin, the Pope offered words of condolence and asked the apostolic nuncios, Marek Solczynski of Turkey, and Mario Zenari of Syria, to send his assurance of his spiritual closeness to all those affected. The Pope entrusted "those who died to the loving mercy of the Almighty" and sent his "heartfelt condolences to those who mourn their loss."

Likewise, he said he "prays that the emergency personnel will be sustained in their care of the injured and in the ongoing relief efforts by the divine gifts of fortitude and perseverance."

The Pope also expressed a "renewed sign of his spiritual solidarity" for the "long-suffering Syrian people."

Source: vaticannews.va <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/pope-grieving-for-victims-of-quakes-in-turkey-and-syria/>

MARCH FOR MEN "On Saturday 25th March, I am taking part in a 5km walk to raise money for the men's health services at our local hospitals. If you would like to sponsor me, I will be in the coffee room every Sunday morning. **Thank you.**
From Liam Foy"

AN EVENING OF AFGHAN STORIES. Local resettled Afghans share their stories of escape after the fall of Kabul and their concerns for those left behind. On **Tuesday 7th March** 7pm refreshments **7.30pm start** in St Mary's Catholic Church Poole 211a, Wimborne Road, Poole BH152EG More info Judith Williams BH188BQ andwilliams@ntlworld.com 07840490525
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/an-evening-of-afghan-stories-tickets-542824712327>

CATHOLIC FAMILY DAY OF REFLECTION Saturday 11th March 10am - 2pm at St Dominic's Priory, Sway, organised by Catholic Mothers Southampton. This day is aimed at families with children up to the age of 7. For more information or to book a space for your family, email: catholicmotherssoton@gmail.com Suggested donation £20

CELEBRATE (a Catholic Ministry supporting family, forming the next generation & encouraging local community) are running a **Parenting for Faith** - A new online course starting for those with Babies and Toddlers. It started Thursday 23rd Feb for 5 weeks at 8pm for approximately 45 minutes. It's on zoom so no need for babysitters! It's never too early to teach our children about prayer. To register scan the QR code There is a £5 fee to cover admin costs, with opportunity to make a further optional donation during the course.



LIGHT UP THE NIGHT NEON FUN RUN Join hundreds of Diverse Abilities supporters on the 22nd April for a fun and colourful night of fundraising at our Dorset Neon Run at Poole Park! 2km Registration 5pm; 5km registration 7.30pm. What should you expect? A buzzy atmosphere, lots of people having fun, and getting dressed up for a great cause. Sign up from £15 and choose to fundraising with JustGiving, or make a one-off donation instead - the choice is yours, and all funds make a huge difference to the people we support. <https://www.dorsetneonrun.com/>

A GAP YEAR OPPORTUNITY: Are you 18-30, or do you know someone who is? Do you want to develop a wide range of skills including leadership while learning about global justice and inspiring others to use their faith in action? CAFOD, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, believes in equipping and inspiring young adults to contribute to a more just and peaceful world. Step into the Gap is a fully funded year of volunteering, with food, accommodation, stipend and training within a UK placement plus a Rome and Assisi pilgrimage. Visit the CAFOD website for more info: cafod.org.uk/gapyear

VOCATIONS: Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the state in life God has prepared for you? If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact Cn. John Cooke. vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869

INTENTION: That prayer, penance and almsgiving will dispose more men and women to follow the Holy Spirit as He leads them to discover their vocations in Christ, we pray to the Lord

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: **CDP 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 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

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