

# 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

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturdays 10.30am - 11.30am & 5.30pm - 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/](http://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: Mon 6: St Paul Miki & comps Fri 10: St Scholastica

## FIFTH SUNDAY of Year A 5th February 2023

**GOING TO THE MARGINS** "With the images of salt and light, Jesus says what he expects from his followers. They don't need to be always thinking about their own interests, their own prestige, their own power. Even though they are a small group in the huge Roman Empire, they are the «salt» and the «light» that the world needs. "You are the salt of the world." The simple people of Galilee spontaneously knew what he meant. They knew what salt is good for: giving food flavour and conserving it from spoiling. Just so, we need to contribute to helping people find the savour in life. "You are the light of the world." Without sunlight, our world would stay dark and gloomy. Jesus' disciples can shine a light to probe the meaning of life, to walk with hope.

These metaphors have something vital in common. If the salt stays in the shaker, it doesn't do its proper work. Only when it dissolves in the food can it give flavour to what we eat. The same thing happens with light. If it stays closed up and hidden away, it can't enlighten anyone. Only when it shines out in the dark can it illuminate and guide. A church isolated from the world can be neither salt nor light.

Pope Francis called on Catholics today to "go out to the margins." He preferred a church that is "bruised and dirty because it has been out on the streets" to one that is "clinging to its own security, caught up in a web of procedures." We can't hunker down in our structures with passive hope. The Gospel invites us to run the risk of meeting face to face with others. It wants to promote culture of encounter, because what our church needs today is to heal wounds and to warm hearts."

(credit: José Antonio Pagola) <https://associationofcatholicpriests.ie/homily-resource/5-feb-2023-5th-sunday-a/>

**COMMUNION UNDER BOTH KINDS?** Bishop Philip writes, "I have been asked a couple of times recently, now that the pandemic seems to be subsiding, whether at Mass it will once again be possible to offer Holy Communion under both kinds. We have discussed this matter recently at a Bishops' Conference meeting. The Church, of course, has never mandated that both species must be offered to the faithful at Mass nor that the faithful must receive Holy Communion under both kinds. The choice, when available, is left to the communicant. The Council of Trent taught that "the whole and entire Christ and the true sacrament are received under either species." For many centuries the norm has been for the faithful to receive under one kind, the Host, and this is often the case anyway, especially at large gatherings or when for some reason, Communion under both kinds is not possible. However, as the General Instruction on the Roman Missal asserts, the "meaning" of Communion is most clearly signified when given under both species— both the Sacred Host and the Precious Blood. For many communicants, receiving under both kinds is a true, spiritual joy. So, when can the practice of offering to those who wish Holy Communion under both kinds be restored? The Bishops' Conference hopes that the practice can be restored soon and is currently taking further medical advice in relation to the COVID safety protocols. The Bishops would also want, before any restoration of the practice, to ensure that a renewed and effective catechesis is given. So, watch this space!"

**LENT IS COMING:** Ash Wednesday is 22nd February there will be mass at 10am and an evening service at 7.00pm.



STATIONS of the CROSS

**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.

On Fridays in Lent there will be mass at 7.30pm after Stations.



**RAYMOND TISSOT RIP** There will be a funeral Mass for Richard at 11.30am on Wednesday 8th February. *May he Rest in Peace.*

**STEPHEN FOLEY RIP** There will be a Funeral mass service for Stephen on Thursday 9th February at 10.00am Mass. *May he Rest in Peace.*



Credit: Fr PJ Smith

**POPES INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY:** For parishes. We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

**RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY.** In his 2020 encyclical letter Fratelli Tutti, Pope Francis reminded us of our vocation to "a fraternal openness that allows us to acknowledge, appreciate and love each person, regardless of physical proximity, regardless of where he or she was born or lives." This appeal assists the work of the Catholic Bishops' Conference in support of Racial Justice. To donate go to: <https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/campaign/racial-justice-sunday>

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD** will take place on 12th & 26th February 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.

**DOMINICAN SISTERS AT SWAY** If you're looking for a focus for Lent, the Dominican Sisters are running 6 online sessions explaining the sacrament of Reconciliation to adults through scripture and art, which will also serve as a Lenten retreat, every Tuesday evening during Lent. Details at: <https://www.lightoftruth.uk/event-details/reconciliation-anchoring-you-in-happiness-2023-02-28-19-30> All our courses are free. Donations are welcome! To see all the courses the Sisters offer, go to: <https://www.lightoftruth.uk/join>.

**SEEKING UKRAINIAN SPONSOR** "Would you be able to sponsor (provide a home) for a lady who has spent much time getting refugees out of the Ukraine but who, with her partner, now needs to flee the war? If so please contact Kevin Flynn on 01202 429034, who would be happy to pass on any kind offers.

**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](mailto:debra.ozanne@hotmail.co.uk)  
*Look forward to seeing you.*

**UNIVERSITY MUSIC CONCERT.** On Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm, University Music's Orchestra and Choirs will present a concert of reflective music in Christchurch Priory including Durufle's Requiem and Allegri's Miserere. Tickets from £12 available from the Priory website or at the door. ***Please join us.***

**VACANCY FOR MUSIC TEAM LEADER, WINCHESTER** Part time: 21 hours per week, including weekends and major feasts (for Masses). 18 months, fixed term contract. Competitive salary. For a full job description and person specification, plus details of how to apply, please contact: [recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)  
To request an informal discussion about the role, please contact the Parish Office by Email: [office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk](mailto:office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk), or by Telephone: 01962 852804 Closing date :Thursday 16th February 2023, 12 Noon Interview date tbc.

**VOCATIONS:** "Let your light shine before others" Shine your light on those closest to you, especially your spouse and family! Contact Cn. John Cooke. [vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) or call 01329 318 869

**INTENTION:** That the grace of the Sacrament will be renewed by the Holy Spirit in all married people present here, 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.***  
***We have had a letter of thanks:***

**THANK YOU** Pokesdown and Southbourne Children's Centre team would like to say a huge thank you for the ongoing food support for local families. It has made such a difference this Winter, especially with the increase in food and fuel prices. If we have had more than our families have needed, we have shared the surplus with Bournemouth Food Bank in Havilland Road, and Southbourne Food Bank at Immanuel Church. Through your generosity we have been able to give out 607 food bags to local families during 2022. This is all the more appreciated because we know everyone is impacted by rising prices, and finding the extra to donate to others may not be easy.  
We aim to make up bags that are especially suitable for families with children under five years old. **At the moment we are short of boxes of cereals for this age group such as cornflakes, Shreddies, Cheerios, Rice Krispies. We also particularly need tins of fruit, custard, rice pudding, tuna, and "meals in a tin" such as chicken, or other meat in sauce. We would also be very grateful for any spare carrier bags please.**  
Thank you all for your kindness and care for our community, and blessings for 2023.  
Many thanks.

**Lisa Harrison (Administrator),**

YMCA Bournemouth Children's Centres Pokesdown and Southbourne Children's Centre and The Stourvale Centre

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