

# CORPUS CHRISTI BOSCOMBE NEWSLETTER

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OUR PARISH MOTTO  
IS "ONLY JESUS"



## SUNDAY MASSES:

**Saturday Vigil 6.00pm & Sunday 10.00am & 5.00pm**

*This parish livestreams Masses (6.00pm & 10.00am, on YouTube or via our website) & other events. Please see notices in the church for further details.*



**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

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday and Thursday after 10am Mass until 11am.

Our Parish is part of the  
Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth  
[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 - 1st Wed of month at 6pm)

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

**LITURGICAL CALENDAR** all masses feria except: Tues 25: St James Wed 26: Ss Joachim & Anne Sat 29: Ss Martha, Mary and Lazarus



**A WARM WELCOME TO ALL OUR VISITORS &  
A HAPPY & SAFE JOURNEY TO PARISHIONERS TRAVELLING AWAY**

**16th Sunday Year A - 23rd July 2023**



**THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN** In the coming weeks our Sunday Gospel passages focus on 'The Kingdom of Heaven'. Nowhere does Jesus ever give a precise definition but instead he uses a series of parables each of which shed light on what he means when speaking of the Kingdom. It is impossible to pin down, but that doesn't mean we can't understand and gradually piece together what Jesus is talking about. For example, there are times when he speaks of The Kingdom as already here; on other occasions its establishment seems to be some way in the distance. Often his teaching is about this Kingdom growing and spreading. It is definitely not about territory or dominance. So, as we listen to the Gospel today and the coming Sundays, it is worth keeping in mind one question: 'what does this add to my understanding of The Kingdom of Heaven'? Bit by bit we build a picture and are drawn into what Jesus puts at the heart of his teaching ministry.

**THANK YOU** – David and Janet Allonby. I want to put on record the heartfelt gratitude of Corpus Christi Parish to David and Janet who for twenty-five years have tended the gardens around the Grotto in the church grounds. To say that this has been a labour of love doesn't come close to capturing the devotion with which, in all weathers, they have planted, nurtured, tidied and improved the grounds and Grotto. They quietly got on with this work and many parishioners and visitors have benefitted from the beauty and peace of this area where they can pause, pray and reflect. I think it's also fair to say that the Grotto features in thousands of photos following Weddings, Baptisms, First Communions and other occasions in our Church. David and Janet have decided that the time is right to let go of this responsibility and we are deeply grateful for all they have done.  
**Father John**

**WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY** The third World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly is this weekend. Pope Francis has given it the theme "His mercy is from age to age" (Luke 1:50) As the Pope says, we should cherish the elderly and recognise that there's no retirement age from the work of proclaiming the Gospel and handing down traditions to grandchildren.



**Please pick up a sheet from the back of church, which has the full message from Pope Francis.**

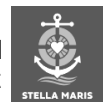
## Prayer for the Third World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly 2023

**Virgin Mary, Mother of faith and hope**, an example for this humanity bent by indifference,  
make me as willing as You to accept the will of God, to magnify and praise His Mercy.  
Mary, Mother of fortitude, you who knows my heart, do not allow me to become discouraged.  
I confidently surrender my life into your hands.

Heal my wounds. May your tenderness accompany me on the way.  
Your presence, Mother of love, brings us to experience the joy of seeing our families united.  
Help me to transmit the tenderness and Love of God to the grandchildren and youth so that,  
in addition to praying for them, we can pray with them.

Mary, may the gift of the Holy Spirit intercede for me: sustain my weakness; breathe into my heart the consolation that I may leave traces of faith among the young, bearing witness to the beauty of life,  
knowing that life has a limit and that beyond it lies before us our Father's embrace. **Amen**  
([www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org](http://www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org))

**SEA SUNDAY** Thank you for giving to Sea Sunday. **Our parish raised £470.00.** Your generous gifts will ensure that Stella Maris chaplains can continue to be a friend for seafarers and fishers in times of need. To find out more about how your support helps those who live and work at sea please visit [www.stellamaris.org.uk](http://www.stellamaris.org.uk) **Thank you.**



**SVP Thursday Afternoon Tea Gathering** on **27th July 2023** from 2.00pm to 3.30pm in the Parish Centre. We are looking forward to seeing you there. **SVP Team.**



**ACI FAMILY (Links of Love)** Meeting Monday 31st July at 11am in the Memorial Room at Corpus Christi Church. Parish Eucharist at 10.00am followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. The ACI Family - a lay community affiliated to the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and committed to making Jesus known and loved through the Eucharist. For more information: Jo Henwood. EMail : josephinehenwood@virginmedia.com

**INFORMATION ABOUT WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR A £1) DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS** There are a couple of posters at the back of church giving information about some deals for children when you might be out and about during the summer. This includes supermarkets and restaurants, local and nationwide.



**FANNING THE FLAME SUMMER CAMP** 3pm Monday 14th - 5pm Friday 18th August 2023 at St Cassian's Centre, Kintbury. For 11 - 21 years Cost: 11-18s: £130 19-21s: £150  
For more information/booking go to: <https://www.fanningtheflame.co.uk/summer-camp>

**DIOCESAN VACANCIES IT Technician** closing date Monday 31 July 2023

For full job description and details of how to apply please contact: [recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) or go to <https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/about-us/other/jobs/>

**OUR LADY IMMACULATE CHURCH WESTBOURNE, VACANCY for PARISH ADMINISTRATOR AND BOOKKEEPER**  
**PART-TIME : 10 hrs pw,** (possibly more) **days and times to be agreed Salary: £12 per hour** - to be accountable for the smooth organisation of the parish, to oversee and maintain the parish accounts (training will be available if necessary).  
JOB DESCRIPTION is on noticeboard at back of church or can be obtained from: [recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)  
To arrange an informal chat about the role please contact: Fr Leslie Adams on: [ladams@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:ladams@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) **Closing date for applications: 31 July 2023 Interview date: 8 August 2023 Proposed start date: 4 September 2023**

**ANNUAL GK CHESTERTON** The 13th Pilgrimage will take place on Saturday 29th July. Bishop David Oakley of Northampton will preach at the Mass at 2.30pm at The Bridgettine Convent, Fulmer Common Road, Iver, SL0 0NR. Please send any prayer requests to; [CatholicGKCSociety@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:CatholicGKCSociety@yahoo.co.uk) or text them to 07795205114. Details of the many different ways in which you can be involved on the day, as well as printable GKC prayer cards can be found on our website, [www.CatholicGKChestertonSociety.co.uk](http://www.CatholicGKChestertonSociety.co.uk)

**JESUIT REFUGEE SERVICE UK** are recruiting for a **Head of Communications, Fundraising and Advocacy.** This role will manage, support and recruit a small team of staff and volunteers to raise awareness, amplify the voices & experiences of refugees, influence positive change in the lives of refugees, and fundraise for our work. Find out more: <https://www.jrsuk.net/work-with-us/>



**WORLD YOUTH DAY (WYD)** is the gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope. It is also a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth, an expression of the universal Church and an intense moment of evangelisation for the youth world. Although its Catholic identity is clearly evident, WYD opens its doors to everyone, no matter how close to or distant from the Church they are. This year, WYD will take place on 1-6 August in Lisbon, Portugal. "Mary arose and went with haste" (Lk 1:39) is the bible quote chosen by Pope Francis as the motto of the World Youth Day. Addressing young people in particular, and challenging them to be courageous missionaries, the following was written by the Pope in the Apostolic Exhortation Christus Vivit: "Where does Jesus send us? There are no borders, no limits: he sends us everywhere. The Gospel is for everyone, not just for some".

**Let us pray for all those attending WYD and for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.** <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/world-youth-day-2023/>

**VOCATIONS:** "The Spirit too helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought." Do you approach the Lord in prayer with the confident strength given by the Holy Spirit asking that He make known your unique vocation? If God may be inviting you to consider the priesthood or consecrated life, contact Cn. John Cooke. [vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) or call 01329 318 869

**INTENTION:** That with dedicated spirits, we will beg the Lord of the Harvest to provide an abundance of vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life in our diocese who will help gather the wheat of souls into His barn, we pray to the Lord.  
**To receive a monthly Vocations Prayer Newsletter go to [www.portsmouthvocations.org](http://www.portsmouthvocations.org)**

**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, **now in church porch** (covid precaution of collecting in Parish Centre is no longer needed),

**At the moment The Food Bank is asking for TINNED FOODS - meat, fruit, vegetables, rice pudding, tuna, meals in a tin (eg: pies). Also fruit juices and already made custard (tins or cartons).**

**Thank you for your continued generosity.**

**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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