

CORPUS CHRISTI BOSCOMBE NEWSLETTER

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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/

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: Wed 27: St Vincent de Paul Fri 29: The Holy Archangels Michael, Gabriel & Raphael Sat 30: St Jerome

NOTE: DIOCESAN COUNT DUE FOR 4 WEEKENDS (16th Sept to 8th Oct) Thank you to the Count Volunteers
Please count each congregation and fill in the relevant column on the sheet in the SACRISTY. Thank you.

25th Sunday Year A - 24th September 2023

STEWARDS OF CREATION Christians have always understood the privilege – and responsibility – we have as guardians of God's created world. We do not 'own' this world; it belongs to God and is entrusted to us to be used wisely and carefully, to be protected and then handed on to future generations. It is only in more recent years that societies have begun to take this seriously and now we hear about the challenge of 'climate change' on a daily basis. For too long we have used up resources which cannot be replaced without much thought for the impact. If you ever watch David Attenborough's amazing wildlife programmes and the dangers many species face you cannot help but be concerned.

Balancing the longer-term good of our planet (with all the people who will live here after us) with short-term issues is not easy. The temptation is to push off into the future those decisions we find tough. There has been much talk this week about our Government's rebalancing of the need to reduce carbon emissions to zero by 2050 with the pain felt by households and businesses in the present. No one said this would be easy and to an extent we are living with the consequences of not treating this seriously for too long. But leaving the problem to future generations is not a responsible approach. In this country we have already piled up hundreds of billions of pounds of debt which children not yet born will be trying to repay in fifty or sixty years' time. What a legacy.

True Stewards of God's Creation – as we are called to be – must do everything in their power to correct what has been done and then protect it. I remember years ago visiting Port Lympne Safari Park in Kent where they run programmes to save endangered species. On the gate of more than one field was a description of the animal within and a note saying that "your grandchildren are unlikely to see one of these animals." Children today could quite rightly turn to us older generations and say: "what have you done? What are you handing on to us?"

I'm not sure how I would answer that. **Father John**

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY APPEAL this weekend, when we will hear from a local SVP Team representative about their work in the Parish. **We thank them for all they do for the vulnerable in our community.** svp.org.uk/donate

POPE CALLS FOR OCTOBER TO BE DEDICATED TO PRAYING FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE Insisting that there is "a need for more prayer, for conversion, and an end to the conflict" in Ukraine, and in a response to a request from Ukrainian Bishops, Pope Francis "expressed his desire that during the month of October, the Rosary be dedicated to peace and reconciliation in Ukraine." The appeal to dedicate October to prayers for peace in Ukraine came during a meeting with the Bishops of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, who were holding their annual Synod in Rome. The Pope was greeted by Major Archbishop Sviatoslav Shevchuk, "who recalled the painful situation in which his country finds itself, with an increasing number of dead, wounded and tortured people, and who thanked the Pope for the affection shown in so many ways and on so many occasions." Pope Francis spoke about "his sorrow for the sense of helplessness experienced in the face of war," which he ascribed to "the devil, who desires to destroy." He turned his thoughts especially to the Ukrainian children he has met. "They look at you and have forgotten their smile," he lamented. "This is one of the fruits of war: taking children's smiles away from them." Finally, Pope Francis "recalled the example of Jesus during the Passion, who did not remain a victim of insults, torture, and crucifixion, but bore witness to the courage to speak the truth, to be close to the people so that they would not be discouraged." "This is not easy," the Pope said. However, he continued, "This is holiness, and the people want us to be saints and teachers of this way that Jesus taught us." Pope Francis said "that he remembers the Ukrainians every day in his prayer before the icon of the Virgin," . *Extracted from vaticannews.va*





FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2024 APPLICATIONS FORMS are NOW AVAILABLE. If you have a child eligible for First Holy Communion, please complete an application form - available from the back of church or online. **Please make sure any application sent by email is very CLEAR.** Return date by **SUNDAY 22nd OCTOBER 2023.** **No late applications will be accepted.**

ACI FAMILY (Links of Love) Meeting Monday 25th September at 11am in the Memorial Room at Corpus Christi Church. Parish Eucharist at 10.00am followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Sister Eileen will be with us. 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

SVP TEA GATHERING The next gathering will be this **Thursday 28th September at 2.00pm** in the coffee lounge.



109TH WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES Today is World Day of Migrants and Refugees. It is an opportunity for parishes and communities to learn more about refugees and migrants on the move, to pray for them, and work together for positive change. The theme of this year's WDMR is "Free to choose whether to migrate or to stay". In his message, Pope Francis recognises and gives voice to an unfortunate reality of today's world: that for many, migration is forced and involuntary. Poverty, persecution, war, and instability are amongst the many reasons why people are forced to leave their homes to search for safety and a better life. Pope Francis rightly reminds us that "eliminating these causes and thus putting an end to forced migration" will require a shared commitment by all. However, he is also aware that this will not be easy and will take a long time. Therefore, until we live in a world where all people have true freedom to choose whether to migrate or to stay, it is essential that we meet our responsibility to welcome and assist people who seek safety and refuge. Prayer cards & info at the back of church. **More info at <https://www.jrsuk.net/>**

REPOSITORY: 2024 Calendars & Diaries are now available in the Repository. Please come in and have a browse. The Repository is open Friday & Sunday mornings, before & after the 10am Mass. In addition to these opening times, starting from **7th October**, I hope to sell Christmas cards before the Saturday & Sunday evening masses, most weeks. **Fiona Foy**

ON-LINE FORMATION SESSIONS FOR PARISH READERS The Liturgy Formation Team will host webinars on Teams specifically designed for parish readers but all parishioners are welcome to attend. The sessions will run on Wednesdays from **4th October to 1st November 7pm to 8pm**. More info at: <https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/38a8b121-7f56-4984-a9ae-8e7afaf08be5@0f107169-67e0-4eaf-8428-9e9f05e974ab>

ST PETERS SCHOOL OPEN EVENINGS Sixth Form evening **Thursday 5th October 5.30 - 8.30pm.** (at Southbourne site) Primary evening **Thursday 12th October 6 - 7.30pm.** (at Iford site).

These evenings are for parents/carers who are looking for school admission for September 2024. Copying facilities will be available during the evenings for anyone wishing to bring documents with them in respect of applications being made within the faith categories. **See poster.**

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY APPEAL FRIDAY 6TH OCTOBER Dr Nasha's mobile medical clinic gets life-saving help to where it's needed most, fast – so when her team arrived in Meera's village in Pakistan after it had been destroyed by flooding, Meera rushed to the clinic to get her children the treatment they needed. Donate to CAFOD today so that more families can get the expert help they need. To donate, use the envelope which will be stapled to the next newsletter or online at cafod.org.uk or scan this QR code. To hear Dr Nasha & Meera's inspiring stories from their own mouths go to: <https://youtu.be/NJr5jOvp1hU>



BROTHER LIONEL (REACHING THE UNREACHED) ANNUAL SPONSORED WALK will be on **Sunday 8th October**, in Poole Park, leaving St Marys at 11am and start at the Ark at 11.30am. We will be collecting for this years walk at Masses in the proceeding weekends. Please do help if you can and give generously like you have always done in the past. For further information, please contact John Duffy on 07746169601 or Mo Houlden on 01425 657321.

ROSEMARY GRACE KABANANA FISH, CHIPS & QUIZ NIGHT & RAFFLE IS BACK AGAIN! for Kabanana Care (Zambia) Reg Charity No 1112809 **Parish Centre Saturday 14th October 2023 at 7.15.** Tickets £15 with supper/£10 without (Sausage and veggie burger option available -BYO drinks and nibbles). Teams of about 6. Tickets available from trustees 01202 520804 or 07967 792678. or annie.winiecki@hotmail.co.uk Every penny we raise, feeds, clothes and educates about 80 orphans.

VOCATIONS: "Seek the Lord while He may be found..." While seeking Him in prayer and the sacraments, listen to Him. Could it be you are being called by Jesus to serve as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If you think He may be offering you this grace, contact Cn. John Cooke. vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869

INTENTION: That there will be an abundance of labourers chosen by the Lord to serve as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life, we pray to the Lord **Info at: www.portsmouthvocations.org**

FOOD BANK COLLECTIONS are Friday mornings 10.30-11.30am and at Saturday evening and Sunday Masses. Gifts may be dropped off in the church porch. **TINNED FOODS** always appreciated. **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
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