

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: Mon 9: St John Henry Newman Tues 17: St Ignatius of Antioch Wed 18: St Luke
Weekend of 21/22 October is World Mission Sunday with a collection for MISSIO.

LAST WEEKEND OF DIOCESAN COUNT OF WEEKEND MASSES Thank you to the Count Volunteers

DOUBLE NEWSLETTER

27th & 28th Sunday Year A - 8th & 15th October 2023

HS2 and HARVEST!! After much speculation, it has been announced that the great rail project HS2 will not be built as was originally planned. From a scheme designed to link London with Birmingham and on to Manchester and Leeds with very fast trains, it will now consist of one section from London to Birmingham. The reasons given are the massively escalating costs and changes to the way people are using trains after the pandemic. Politicians and business leaders will argue for a long time about whether this huge decision was the right one or not. Apparently the thirty-six billion pounds which was still to be spent will now be used for hundreds of local transport improvements. [Personally, I find it almost impossible to imagine a pot of money that size.]

I may not be the only person who wondered whether (a) I would still be alive to see HS2 completed in its original form and (b) it would be a route I'd ever use. But one of the things it has revealed yet again is the sense of 'them and us'. Many people 'up north' feel that they are short-changed, that those running the country from Westminster don't understand the issues they face. There is much talk of levelling up (whatever that actually means). We keep hearing about divisions and lines between people – the generational divide is another popular idea in which younger people are not being treated fairly compared to older generations.

At this time of year we celebrate Harvest. Corpus Christi School focused our Wednesday morning Mass on this very theme recently. It is an opportunity to give thanks to God for all that we receive, and a chance to share some of that bounty – or to redistribute it if you like. From what I have been fortunate enough to receive, can I show my gratitude by sharing at least some of it with those who have less? This parish supports the local Foodbank with real generosity. And through CAFOD we reach out to those further afield. Perhaps instead of constantly noticing and emphasising what divides and separates us we should home in on all that unites us. After all, in the north and south of the United Kingdom, across Europe and Africa, we are sisters and brothers – fellow human beings – each of us created by God with equal value. We really are in this world together.

Father John



A BEREAVEMENT SERVICE will be held on **Sunday 19th November 3.00pm** in Church. We invite all those who are recently bereaved or bereaved longer ago to come together to reflect, remember and pray for the departed in the month of November. *All welcome.*



CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY APPEAL THANK YOU for bringing back your donation this weekend, You can also donate online at cafod.org.uk or scan this QR code.

On 12th October 7pm CAFOD are holding online event to reflect on what Pope Francis' Laudate Deum means for us. Go to: https://www.bigmarker.com/cafod/Laudato-Si?utm_bmc_source=Vol



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 **SUNDAY 22nd OCTOBER 2023. No late applications will be accepted.**

SVP Tea Gathering will be held in the **MEMORIAL ROOM** on **Thursday 19th Oct** from 2.00 to 3.30pm.



PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED 11th - 13th October - reopens on Monday 16th October.



CHILDRENS LITURGY OF THE WORD will take place at TODAY (8th) at 10am Mass and 22nd October. As a general guideline this Liturgy is for children between 4 and 7 years of age. *Parents please remember to sign in.*

ST PETERS SCHOOL OPEN EVENINGS Primary evening Thursday 12th October 6 - 7.30pm. (at Iford site) for parents/carers who are looking for school admission for September 2024. Copying facilities will be available during the evening for anyone wishing to bring documents in respect of applications being made within the faith categories. **See poster**

PLEASE NOTE: SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FORMS (SIF's) are no longer required for Admission to St Peters School. for those applying for Reception or Year 7 entrance in 2024.

The school will still need to see the original Baptism Certificate.

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.

RED MISSION BOXES *It's time to empty your red boxes!*. Please can you bring your red mission boxes to **6pm mass on Saturday 21st October or either 10am or 5pm mass on Sunday 22nd October**, so that we can empty them. I will be at the back of church before mass to empty your box. If you are unable to bring it on that day, please could you contact me on 01202 426779 to arrange a convenient time or leave in the parish office. **Thank you in advance, Sharon McAndrew.**

VACANCY HEAD OF PEOPLE (HR and Volunteer Support) for Diocese based at St Edmund House, Bishop Crispian Way, Portsmouth, Full time Contact: recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk for a full job description/application form **Closing date for applications: 11 October 2023 Interviews: Week commencing 16 October 2023 See poster**



PRISONERS' SUNDAY Prisoners' Sunday is the national day of prayer and action for prisoners and their dependants as marked by the Catholic Church and across the Christian denominations. It is a day to direct our thoughts and prayers to prisoners, their families and children. Prisoners' Sunday is the time to reflect on how we as individuals, as a Church and as a community are serving those affected by imprisonment.

Prisoners' families, prisoners and people with previous convictions often find themselves on the margins of society due to the social stigma associated with imprisonment. But the gospel of Matthew 25: 36 reminds us of our duties towards them: "I was in prison and you came to see me." PACT is the national Catholic charity supporting prisoners, people with convictions, and their families. This year marks 125 years since their formation. Today Pact supports people of all faiths and none, working in more than 60 prisons, in courts, and in communities across England and Wales. The support of Catholic parishes continues to be invaluable. There are more than 85,000 people in prison across England and Wales today An estimated 97,000 children in our communities have spent their summer holidays knowing their mum or dad is in prison. There are some envelopes at the back of Church for donations or you can donate online at: <https://www.prisonadvice.org.uk/donate/donate-now> or scan the QR code. **Many thanks.**



PRAYER written for PACT by the Venerable Peter Leonard, formerly Anglican Archdeacon of the Isle of Wight

Lord Jesus you know what it is to be held captive. We pray for all those resident in prison and their families.

May they be aware of your presence with them

and may your spirit bring them peace and the hope of new life in Jesus Christ.

May the walls of prison provide a secure place for them to discover both their need for you

and that they are loved unconditionally by you.

We pray for all who work in prisons, keep them safe

and help them to know and demonstrate your compassion and grace in their daily lives.

We pray for all victims of crime; may your spirit bring them healing and peace as they rebuild their lives.

Gracious God, whose love extends over all the Earth, across all time and for all people, hear our prayer. **Amen**

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 this weekend, I hope to sell Christmas cards before the Saturday & Sunday evening masses, most weeks. **Fiona Foy**



THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER For the Synod Let us pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a style of life at every level, allowing herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the world's peripheries.

VOCATIONS: "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and pleading with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." Do not be anxious about discerning your vocation. Ask the Holy Spirit and our Blessed Mother to help you recognize and be faithful to your vocation. Contact Cn. John Cooke. vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869

INTENTION: That from the many called to holiness in Christ, those chosen to follow Him more closely in the priesthood and consecrated life will respond with humble readiness, we pray to the Lord.

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 Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth Reg. Charity No.1199568

