



CORPUS CHRISTI, BOSCOMBE NEWSLETTER

OUR PARISH
MOTTO
"ONLY JESUS"

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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

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: Tues 14: St Matthias

This weekend, there will be a second collection for Catholic Communications Network.

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Year B - 12th May 2024

SOME PRACTICAL MATTERS

SCAM! Over the past few weeks, a number of parishioners have received emails claiming to be from me. In some cases these Scam Emails were asking for help to obtain Vouchers from Amazon to give to members of 'The Team'. So, they were about trying to get hold of money from people, even if in the form of Electronic Vouchers. However, none of the messages were from my diocesan email account [jnelson@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk] and instead were from addresses such as 'pastorjohn' which I don't have and is nothing to do with me. All I can say is that if you receive a similar message please delete it. I would never use weird email accounts and neither would I ask people to buy Amazon Vouchers on my behalf! It is a sad fact of life these days that there are people out there looking for any means they can find to trick others into giving away their hard-earned money. Be cautious, check the address at the top of emails and delete anything you think might be suspicious.

PARISH CENTRE. This week we have written to the groups who hire or use Corpus Christi Parish Centre informing them that, from the end of September 2024, the Centre will close and no longer be available to use. I did flag up this possibility at the Parish Meetings we held in March and the financial position of the parish, combined with the running costs and potential significant maintenance bills mean that the Centre is no longer sustainable. The Parish actually makes very little use of the Centre [First Communion meetings and Sunday coffee being the main two] and we will work out a way to continue with these in different places. With the closure of the Centre a serious look at what to do with the building and site must be undertaken and that process begins soon. I shall, of course, keep the parish fully informed as that work develops and plans emerge.

THE HOLY SPIRIT. Finally, on a spiritual note! Next Sunday the Easter Season comes to a conclusion in the wonderful Feast of Pentecost. As Jesus returned to his Father, so he sends forth the Spirit of God into the hearts of all believers to enable them to continue the work he has begun. There is a prayer many of us learned when young: 'Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created, and you will renew the face of the earth.' Just imagine: the gift of God's Holy Spirit, poured into our hearts, can actually change the world – nothing less. Perhaps not in one sudden blast but step by step, piece by piece. The question is, are we really ready for God's Holy Spirit to do this in and through us? It requires openness and it needs trust because we can never be sure where the Spirit might take us. **Father John**

NEXT SUNDAY PENTECOST 'BRING & SHARE' BRUNCH To celebrate our wonderfully rich, multi-cultural and diverse parish community, we are inviting you all to come and join together in the Parish Centre for a 'bring and share' brunch on **Sunday 19th May from 11.00am**. Bring a traditional dish or your favourite food - *let's share the joy!! All welcome.*



THE REGINA CAELI (Queen of Heaven) will be said in place of the Angelus, up until Pentecost Sunday (19th May)

V. O Queen of Heaven, rejoice, Alleluia.

R. For He whom you were worthy to bear, Alleluia.

V. Has risen, as he said, Alleluia.

R. Pray for us to our God, Alleluia.

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, Alleluia.

R. For the Lord has risen indeed, Alleluia.



Let us pray: God our Father, you give joy to the world by the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Through the prayers of his mother, the Virgin Mary, bring us to the happiness of eternal life. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY. "Artificial intelligence and wisdom of the heart: for a fully human communication" is the theme chosen by Pope Francis for the 58th World Communication Day, which is today (12th).

The Holy See Press Office observed that "The evolution of artificial intelligence systems makes it ever more natural to communicate through and with machines, so that it has become increasingly difficult to distinguish computation from thought, and the language produced by a machine from that generated by human beings."

Pope Francis recalls that "it is up to us to decide whether we will become fodder for algorithms or will nourish our hearts with that freedom without which we cannot grow in wisdom." Only together, he concludes, can we increase our capacity for discernment and vigilance and for seeing things in the light of their fulfilment. Pope Francis then prays that humanity may never lose its bearings, and that the wisdom that was present before all modern technology may return to us. Wisdom, says the Pope, can help us "to put systems of artificial intelligence at the service of a fully human communication." **Vatican News.**



"HOLDING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE IN PRAYER" – A NEW TRADITION AT ST PETER'S SCHOOL

Exam season can be a challenging time for many of our young people and St Peter's school would like to invite you to help support their exam students through your prayers please. How? It's easy - at the back of church there is a round bowl with yellow slips in, each with the first name of either a Year 11 student or a Sixth Former on it – if you'd like to, please randomly pick a slip and keep that student in your daily prayers. The written exams start soon, on 9th May, and finish on 21st June.

We'd also like to offer you the opportunity to write a message of support to your student (or to them all collectively) – just collect a blank slip from the other bowl, write your message and pop it back in the second bowl. We will then come and collect these messages and display them for all the students to read and see that you are praying. Thank you for 'Holding Our Young People In Prayer' at this very important time in their lives. **God bless from St Peter's Chaplaincy team**



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD will take place today (12th) at 10am Sunday Mass. As a general guideline this Liturgy is for children between 4 and 7 years of age. Parents please remember to sign in.

SVP Tea Gathering will be in the Memorial Room on **Thursday 30th May** from 2.00pm to 3.30pm. **All welcome**



A DAY WITH MARY Saturday 18 May from 9.30am with Bournemouth Oratory, Sacred Heart Church, Richmond Hill. See poster for more info or go to **www adaywithmary.org**

REFUGEES AT HOME. <https://refugeesathome.org> **Information Evening Tuesday 21st May 7.15pm** (refreshments) **7.30pm** in St Mary's Catholic Church 211A Wimborne Rd, Poole, BH15 2EG **Do you have a spare room?** Could you accommodate a refugee at risk of homelessness? The situation for some refugees is getting desperate especially here in BCP. Refugees at Home is a UK charity which connects those with a spare room with refugees and asylum seekers needing somewhere to stay. Hosting is only ever temporary and can be as short as a few days. **Find out more at the meeting.**

A CELEBRATION OF CERAMIC ART East Dorset Potters will be exhibiting in the Gallery at Walford Mill Crafts centre BH21 1NL from 15th May to 16th June. There will also be pottery demonstrations during Dorset Arts Week. **See poster.**

MONTEVERDI VESPERS OF 1610 University Music Choir & Orchestra **Thursday 30th May at 7.30pm** in St Ambrose Church, Westbourne. Tickets £15 on the door (students free) Card payments only - to reserve seats email: musicadmin@bournemouth.ac.uk See poster.

BROADWAY SHOWTUNES - A NEW WORLD. A production by **Big Little Theatre School** at **Bournemouth Pavilion from 11th - 13th July at 7.30pm.** Tickets from £18.50 from the box office or scan QR code on the poster.



THE POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR MAY For the formation of men and women Religious and Seminarians - Let us pray that men and women religious, and seminarians, grow in their own vocational journey through human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, that leads them to be credible witnesses of the Gospel.

'COME AWAY WITH ME RETREAT' Are you seeking to explore a vocation and are aged 18-35, then you are invited to a day retreat on **Saturday 8th June** starting at 10.30am in St Philip Howard Church, Fareham. **See poster for more info** or email: vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

VOCATIONS: "As You sent Me into the world, I have sent them." If you think the Lord may be inviting you to carry on His mission as a priest or religious brother or sister ,talk to your priest or contact Cn. John Cooke. vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869.

INTENTIONS: That, seated at the right hand of His Father in heaven, the Lord will share His wisdom with those discerning their vocation and open their eyes and hearts in faithfulness, 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.**

**Don't Stress.
Do Your Best.
Forget the Rest.**

GOOD LUCK to all our young people who are taking exams. Deep breath, keep calm and pray to the Holy Spirit!

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

