

CORPUS CHRISTI, BOSCOMBE NEWSLETTER

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OUR PARISH MOTTO

"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

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/

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: Mon 26: St Augustine of Canterbury Fri 31: The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Sat 1: St Justin.

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY Year B - 26th May 2024

THE IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER

Next Saturday, sixty-eight children will receive Holy Communion in our parish for the first time. They have been preparing for this moment since before Christmas, with regular meetings, working at home using their special book called 'I Belong' and celebrating key moments – including the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent. The group will be divided between Mass at 10am and Mass at 2pm. The following day, the Feast of Corpus Christi, we have a Procession and time of prayer beginning at 3pm. Some parishioners may have had the idea that this was just for the children and their families. It is not. It is an opportunity to come together on our Parish Feast Day and is open to EVERY member of the parish. So, please join us if you can.

You will find attached to this Newsletter another *Pastoral Letter* from Bishop Philip. In it he focuses on Prayer. Prayer takes many shapes and forms which include the times when we gather to celebrate Mass, times of devotional prayer (eg. saying the Rosary), times when we pray quietly on our own at home or wherever we happen to be. In essence, prayer is communication with God, which involves speaking and listening. We can bring to him all our cares, concerns and the people we want to entrust to his love. It should be a natural part of our life and relationship with God and it never does any harm to reflect on where we are on that journey. Do I feel that I spend enough time in prayer? Do I tend to turn to God in times of need but forget to thank him on a daily basis for all the good things I enjoy? Is prayer a priority or does it slip down my list of 'things to do'? Re-tuning, getting this part of our life on track is always worthwhile.

We pray for each other. We have been praying for the children preparing for their First Communion. Many of you took up the invitation to take a name from the jar and to keep a student from St Peter's School in your prayer as they take GCSE and A Level exams at this time. We pray for people we know and those we will never meet. We pray for situations close to us – especially in our homes and families – and we pray for those large-scale problems that the world faces. And we do so in complete confidence that God our Father listens to every word. That doesn't mean that all we ask him for is granted according to our wish and our timetable. But he does hear us. Sometimes he may even be trying to get through to us but perhaps we are too busy talking to hear. Times of silence are a crucial part of our prayer.

One thing the First Communion children have experienced this year as part of their preparation has been a time of quiet before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. They know that when they come into a Catholic Church the light near the tabernacle tells them that Jesus is present there in a special way. We are very fortunate to be able to keep Corpus Christi Church open every day. It is sometimes a little easier to pray in a church, a building set aside for this very purpose. But wherever you find it possible to pray, make time for this communication with God because he wants to hear from us. Father John

Tthere will be NO MORNING CONFESSIONS on Saturday 1st June, due to the First Holy Communion Celebrations

"HOLDING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE IN PRAYER" – a message from St Peter's school.

Dear parishioners, we'd like to thank you SO much for embracing our new tradition of praying for our Yr 11 and Sixth Form exam students – the response has been amazing!! Thank you if you took a name and are praying for that individual - we know that your prayers make a difference. And thank you if you wrote a message - these are now being displayed in a communal area outside the main exam hall so that students can see them every time they walk past and are reminded that they are being held in prayer at this important time in their lives. Thank you and God bless from St Peter's Chaplaincy team





THANK YOU to all who brought food, participated and shared the Pentecost Brunch last Sunday. It was a wonderful informal parish led, social event - a great celebration of the Church's Birthday! Alleluia.





STELLA MARIS Catholic maritime charity Stella Maris (formerly called Apostleship of the Sea) is very grateful for this parish's prayer and financial support of its work on Sea Sunday last year. To report back on the use of those funds, it invites parishioners to join an online update and thank you webinar on Tuesday 28th May from 7:30pm to 9:00pm. To register for this virtual event, please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk/thankyou2024



CHILDREN'S LITURGY will be on 9th June at Sunday 10am Mass. We wish all the children a safe & happy half-term holiday. *CLOW team*.

ST PETERS' SCHOOL YEAR 5 INFORMATION EVENING: Thursday 6th June 2024 at 6.00pm For prospective students interested in joining year 7 for entry in September 2025 The evening will outline the admission process for families, inform you of the legal deadline for applications and explain the ranking process. There will also be a short site tour in which you will be able to view some of our outstanding facilities. Doors open at 5.30pm for a 6pm start To book your place please email: admissions@st-peters.bournemouth.sch.uk See poster

DIOCESAN LIFE IN THE SPIRIT COURSE on ZOOM - 7 Sessions starting on Thursday evenings, from 6th June to 18th July 2024 from 7.30pm until 9pm. Please use this link to register – https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZllf-trDwjGNAuzzyTiLVcwy7lzHwq87dG

CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL, SEND TEACHING ASSISTANT (INC. WRAPAROUND CARE) & MIDDAY SUPERVISOR One Year Fixed Term The Governors of our friendly and successful school are seeking to appoint a SEND Teaching Assistant (inc. Wraparound Care) and Midday Supervisor to help us achieve our aims of getting the best from all our children in their learning and personal development. More information is available on the school website www.cccpschool.co.uk/vacancies The closing date is midday Thursday 20th June 2024

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.

CAFOD You are invited to join CAFOD's Director Christine Allen to explore the power of leaving a gift in your Will to make a lasting impact in the world, at Our Lady of Sorrows & St Philip Benizi in Fordingbridge SP6 1EG on Tue 18 June, 10.45am to 12:25pm. To find out more and to book your place please go to cafod.org.uk/legacyevent

FREE WILL WRITING OFFER FROM THE DIOCESE The Diocese have partnered with expert will writers, Octopus Legacy, to make giving a gift in your will to the Church even easier, though of course in claiming your FREE Will, you are under no obligation make provision for the Diocese or your particular parish. Go to: https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/ support-our-work/make-your-free-will/ or call 0800 773 4014

SIGNIFICANT WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES MASS Bishop Philip invites all married couples in the Diocese who are celebrating their 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th (or longer) Wedding Anniversary to join him for this year's Significant Wedding Anniversaries Mass at St Bede's Church, Basingstoke on Saturday 7th September at 2:00pm. If you and your spouse are celebrating a significant wedding anniversary this year, be sure to save the date! If you would like to attend, please email: anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk for an application form.

<u>VOCATIONS</u>: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations." How can you evangelize others and share in God's glory? Maybe 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 the mystery of the love of the Blessed Trinity will strengthen many men and women to respond to that love as priests and religious brothers and sisters, 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. 01786041 Or donate online website: at http://www.corpuschristiboscombe.org.uk/ or on our Facebook page or to donate via Give As You Live, click on the QR CODE

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