



OUR PARISH MOTTO
"ONLY JESUS"

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

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 3: St Charles Lwanga & Comps Thurs 5: St Boniface

RESPONSORIAL PSALM RESPONSE: The Lord is king, most high above all the earth. or: Alleluia.

7th Sunday of Easter Year C 1st June 2025

One big 'Thank you' and two Requests!

Last Saturday morning we celebrated a special Mass at which fifty-eight children received the gift of Jesus in Holy Communion for the very first time. Dressed beautifully and full of excitement, it was easy to share their joy at this moment in their lives, this step on their journey of faith. Of course, it is a moment to remember but the important thing is that these children keep receiving Communion, week in and week out. I do want to record the thanks of everyone involved – and our parish – to Greg our Deacon who oversees the preparation programme each year and devotes so much time and energy to it. Greg will be the first to say that it is only possible because there is a great team working with him so we extend our gratitude to them too. If anyone who is not already involved would like to join in with next year's programme from the autumn, just let us know. This year the meetings were held in the church on Saturday afternoons and the arrangement seemed to work well. Do continue to pray for all of these children in our parish, and their families.

Now, two requests. The first is quite straightforward. On **Sunday 15th June** Bishop Philip will be with us at Corpus Christi to celebrate Mass with the Sacrament of Confirmation. Afterwards, we'll offer refreshments in the Parish Centre. It would be great if a small team [perhaps 8-10 people] would take on making sure things are ready for people coming into the Centre after Mass. Food and drinks will be provided but it just needs a number of people to oversee things and ensure it all runs smoothly. It would require this team to be available in the Centre from around 12noon. If you could help and are willing to give a little bit of time in this way it would be much appreciated. Please let me know (or the Parish Office) if this is something you could do as a one-off.

The second request relates to my plan to establish a **Buildings & Site Committee** in the parish. With Aidan's retirement as Facilities Manager, we need to ensure that our buildings and maintenance issues are properly covered and I propose setting up a small Committee to handle these matters, working with me. Most householders deal with practical issues to do with their homes and I don't envisage this requiring special knowledge or skills – just a willingness to get involved with some of the practical stuff a parish like Corpus Christi needs done. If you'd be interested, please contact me (preferably by email). I'd like this Committee to be established and meet at least once before the summer break so please, give it some thought.

I know that the world in which we live today there are many demands on our time. The temptation is to think that others will volunteer when it comes to church-related needs but if lots of people give a little time then everything will be done. Leaving it to a few is neither fair nor practical. So, thank you for giving these requests serious thought and I look forward to receiving names! **Father John**

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK second collection this weekend. The theme for the 59th World Communications Day, is 'Share with gentleness the hope that is in your hearts.' The theme was chosen by Pope Francis in January. His message was: in a world "characterized by disinformation and polarization, as a few centres of power control an unprecedented mass of data and information, it is ever more urgent to 'disarm communication' and purify it of aggression." .. too often communication is violent, aimed at striking and not at establishing the conditions for dialogue. "All conflicts start when individual faces melt away and disappear. We must not surrender to this mindset." said the Pope Francis - the full message is at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/wcd25-papal-message/> There are baskets for the second collection or you can donate online at: <https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/campaign/world-communications-day-second-collection>

THE REGINA CAELI (Queen of Heaven) will be said in place of the Angelus, up until Pentecost Sunday (8th June)



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.**



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD We look forward to meeting with the children on **8th and 22nd June** 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. **CLOW team.**

MARIE CURIE STATIC BIKE RIDE "Back in 2017 my mum (Kim) was have end of life care from Marie Curie. So I have decided to try and raise some money on the 8th anniversary. I will be cycling 31 hours none stop hopefully I will be joined by 31 different people doing an hour each with me. If you can help in any way I'm sure this will be really appreciated by the charity and I will be very grateful myself for the support. This will be taking place in the Village Hotel lobby on **Sat 7th June 5am - Sun 8th at noon.**" **Brendan Pardoe.** To donate go to his **Just Giving** page at: https://www.justgiving.com/page/brendan-pardoe-1?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL&utm_campaign=015

TIME AT THE OASIS: PENTECOST - 'NEW BEGINNINGS' BASED ON THE IGNATIAN MODEL OF PRAYER.

Saturday **7th June 2025:** 11:00am - 1:00pm in the **Memorial Room.** (These prayer gatherings were originally established by Tony Horan SJ as Days of Prayer and the model has now been revised and title changed to 'Time at the Oasis') In-person or via Zoom.(Contact Deacon Roger and Jackie on 07948516854 for details or link). See poster



A DAY OF RENEWAL - RENEW ME LORD! Annunciation Church, Charminster. Pentecost Eve. **June 7th 12 noon -3.30pm.** Talks, Prayer, Worship, Music, Mass. *Bring your lunch and join us for this uplifting event!*

ST PETER'S SCHOOL Year 5 Information Evening **6pm, Tuesday 10th June** in Southbourne site, St Catherines Rd, BH6 4AH. For all Year 5 students interested in joining St Peter's in Year 7 for September 2026 entry. The evening will outline the admissions process, inform you of the legal deadline for applications and explain the ranking system. There will also be a short site tour where you will be able to view some of our outstanding facilities. Doors open at 5.30pm for a 6pm start. Save the date for our full Open Evening on Thursday 18 September 2025 To book your place scan QR code.



THE WHITLEY LECTURE 10th June at 2pm in Rosebery Park Baptist, Boscombe. The speaker is Sidel Boanerges, Dean of Ministerial Formation at Spurgeon's College and the Moderator of the BU Council. His lecture will be on the subject of apologetics, a field of particular interest to him. See poster.

THE NATIONAL PILGRIM STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA AND RELICS OF Ss FRANCISCO & JACINTA are visiting the parishes of **Our Lady of Fatima and St Joseph in Poole Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th June** (They are also touring our Cathedrals in the UK) *More at www.catholicparkstone.org*

ST PETER'S COMMUNITY CHOIR 'MUSIC ON A SUMMERS EVENING' Fundraising for Ukraine on **Friday 20th June at 7pm** in St Joseph's Catholic Church, 67 Purewell Christchurch. Ticket includes concert plus cheese and wine afterwards in the Hall. Tickets are £10 from Ticket Source (scan QR code) or contact Anne Marie Bridle on 01202 463488. **All welcome.**



SIGNIFICANT WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS at St Bede's church in Basingstoke on Saturday 21st June at 11am, followed by a buffet lunch. Please contact your Parish Office or email: anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk to request a form.

VOCATIONS: "I will continue to make your name known that the love with which you have loved me may be with them, and I in them". Just as Jesus entrusted His disciples with the mission of sharing the Gospel, He may be inviting you to continue His work within the Church. Trust in the power of the Holy Spirit to equip you for this journey. ? Talk to your priest or contact Cn. John Cooke vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869

INTENTIONS: For our parish, that we may encourage and support vocations, sending forth more labourers into the harvest to serve God's people. Let us 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 & packet 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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