



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, Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat 10.00am

(NB: Normal 9am WED mass is 10am now until 3rd Sept inc)

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: Tue 22: St Mary Magdalene Wed 23: St Bridget of Sweden Fri 25: St James

RESPONSORIAL PSALM RESPONSE: O Lord, who may abide in your tent?



**A WARM WELCOME TO ALL OUR VISITORS &
A HAPPY & SAFE JOURNEY TO PARISHIONERS TRAVELLING AWAY**



16th Sunday of Year C 20th July 2025

King's Praise in King's Park : Saturday 9th August

Giving praise to Christ our King – in King's Park! Corpus Christi Parish is a member of *Churches Together in Boscombe*. Every two months I attend a meeting with others from various local churches. We hear what's happening across Boscombe in the Christian communities and we spend time together in prayer.

Months ago, it was suggested that we organise an event in King's Park – to celebrate our Christian faith in song and fellowship. Getting anything like this up and running takes a lot of work and Simon at Rosebery Baptist Church has been our guide through the whole process. The event is on Saturday 9th August from 4 – 7pm in an area of King's Park. On the attached sheet you'll see some information about this and I do hope that parishioners from Corpus Christi will give their support and come along.

As well as coming to this event [which is completely free by the way] there are some activities you might be able to help us with. As we hope families with children will come along, we could do with assistance in the following:

- Serving ice-cream (which will be provided)
- Face painting and craft activities
- Overseeing bubble-blowing
- Helping with the giant Jenga Tower
- Help clearing up at the end (black bin bags will be provided)

Help with any of these would be really welcome. There will be music from three different Christian groups starting at 4pm, 5pm and 6pm. Come along for all or part of the evening; bring a picnic and just enjoy the occasion.

With the schools finishing for the summer, I have heard that sometimes parents struggle to occupy their children for the weeks when they are at home. There are a number of activities and events – some of which involve no cost – and it's a matter of finding out what's on offer. Summertime is an invaluable period in the year when individuals and families, whether going away or not, have more time to spend with each other. We should make the most of it as September will come around all too soon. The word 'recreation' means to be 're-created'. Taking time to relax, breathe, and to do something we don't normally get time to do – this is important.

Father John



CHANGE OF MASS TIME OVER THE SUMMER. From 23rd July to 3rd Sept (included) the Wednesday 9am Mass will move to 10am. It will return to 9am on 10th September.



THANK YOU for giving to Sea Sunday. Our parish raised **£383.10**. Your generous gifts will ensure that Stella Maris chaplains can continue to be a friend for seafarers and fishers in times of need. To find out more about how your support helps those who live and work at sea, please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk

PARISH OFFICE will be closed 28th July to 8th August inclusive. It will reopen on Monday 11th August.

INTERNATIONAL CARE NETWORK is after 5 baby seats for cars (**MUST NOT have been in a crash**). Contact 01202 589395 or info@icn.org.uk

DIGINITY CENTRE BOURNEMOUTH is appealing for T-shirts, and new Men's underwear and socks. Good quality - we ask that people only donate items you would be proud to wear or lend to a friend. (Primark Vouchers are a good way of donating.) There will be a box at the back of church or **contact Kevin Flynn on 01202 429034**.

ADORE SPIRITUAL MINI-RETREAT 26th July 10.00-1.00 on Zoom. "PILGRIMS OF HOPE – FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY." Including Mass, Adoration, Praise, Prophecy, Prayer for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and inspiring talk from guest speaker John Hesketh. Please register for the free Zoom meeting in advance at bit.ly/ADOREJUL2025 More information at www.altonrenewal.com

CAFOD ARE HIRING. Could you inspire Catholics to participate in the Church's mission, working to overcome poverty and injustice? Do you want to work for CAFOD and encourage support and partnership within the Church? We are looking for a Community Participation Coordinator to work in the Diocese of Portsmouth. Follow the link for more details and please pass on to any friends or relatives who might be interested. **Closing date 27 July 2025**. See cafod.org.uk/work-with-us

COULD YOU SERVE THE CHURCH AS A TRUSTEE ON THE DIOCESAN FINANCE COUNCIL? Bishop Philip is seeking new Trustees to support the delivery of our 10-year Mission Plan, You Will be my Witnesses. We're looking for people who are passionate about the Catholic church and have significant professional experience in any of the following areas: finance, especially investment management, safeguarding or social work, or strategic planning, and who feel called to offer their time and skills in service of the Church. This is a meaningful opportunity to help guide the Diocese's work across our parishes, schools, and communities, using the gifts God has given you for the good of His Church. Closing date: **Monday 1 September 2025** To find out more, contact: Deacon Tony Darlison Secretary to Trustees on: tdarlison@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or go to: <https://portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/could-you-serve-the-church-as-a-trustee-of-the-catholic-diocese-of-portsmouth/>

MINISTERS OF CHILDREN'S LITURGY FORMATION will take place on 6th September, at St Bede's, Basingstoke, from 10.30 am to 1 pm. The programme will include prayer and reflection, sharing good practice; working collaboratively; how to grow and communicate as Liturgical Catechists; Music suggestions; networking and how to find more helpers. Anyone wishing to attend should register via liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

ST MARY MAGDALENE The Feast of Mary Magdalene - Pope Francis elevated the memory of Mary Magdalene to the status of Festivity on July 22nd, 2016 in order to stress the importance of this faithful disciple of Christ. Her name comes from her home town of Magdala, a fishing village on the western shore of Lake Tiberias. St Luke tells us that Jesus travelled around announcing the Good News of the Kingdom of God, with the Twelve Apostles and some women who had been healed of evil spirits. Among these was "Mary, called the Magdalene, from whom seven demons came out."

Mary Magdalene appears in the Gospels at important moments of Jesus' life; she is there with Him at Calvary; she is there when Joseph of Arimathea places the body of Jesus in the tomb; she also finds the stone rolled away from the tomb and tells the disciples but remains at the tomb in tears; Jesus appears to her and tells her: "go and find the brothers and to tell them I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." So Mary Magdalene goes to the disciples and tells them she has seen the Lord and that He said these things to her. (cf. John 20). Mary Magdalene is the first among the women following Jesus to proclaim Him as having overcome death and she stood resolute at the foot of the Cross on Mount Calvary together with Mary, His Mother, and St. John. She did not deny him or run away in fear, but remained close to Him at every moment. *Mary Magdalene pray for us.*

TRAVELLING (even on a staycation!) OR GOING TO UNI? Take **Pray As You Go app** with you! Go to www.pray-as-you-go.org/ Download on your mobile. A framework for 10 mins of personal prayer, combining music, scripture & reflection.

VOCATIONS: "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, and it will not be taken from her." Consider prioritizing time with God, following Mary's example. Are you being called to dedicate your life to prayer and service in the Church as a consecrated religious? Talk to your priest or contact Cn. John Cooke vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869

INTENTIONS: For those discerning their vocation, that they may listen attentively to the voice of Christ, finding peace and direction in His call. 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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