



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 & Wed 9am

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: Sat 11: St Benedict

RESPONSORIAL PSALM RESPONSE: I will bless your name for ever, my God and King.

14th Sunday of Year A 5th July 2026

The Role of the Seafarer

Next Sunday is marked as Sea Sunday, with a focus on the work of Stella Maris [previously known as The Apostleship of the Sea]. To set the scene ahead of that Day of Prayer and Practical Support (through a Special Collection), here are some thoughts from the CEO and Chair of Trustees.

Due to the situation affecting the Strait of Hormuz, many people have come to understand better the reality that Chaplains and Volunteers witness every day: while seafarers keep global trade moving, they do so in circumstances that place extraordinary demands on their safety and wellbeing. Recent events have brought those risks into sharp focus. The humanitarian crisis involving the estimated 20,000 seafarers stranded in and around the Strait of Hormuz has shown once again how quickly seafarers can find themselves caught up in tensions that are entirely beyond their control.

As a Charity, Stella Maris supports seafarers in ports around the United Kingdom (including in nearby Southampton), and through the wider Stella Maris network, around the world. It has seen the personal impact these situations can have. Behind every headline are real people. Seafarers and fishers are anxious about their loved ones, wondering when they will get home, all whilst trying to complete their work in exceptionally difficult circumstances. Knowing that there is prayerful support within the Church does make a difference.

Whenever the situation in the Middle East eases, that will not be the end of the matter for those affected. Recovery takes time. But through practical assistance, pastoral care, welfare support or simply providing a listening ear, sometimes the most important support comes months later when the world has begun to move on.

Chaplains and Volunteers with Stella Maris, based in ports around our country, offer precisely this much-needed support. But this is only possible thanks to the generous contributions made by parishioners on Sea Sunday, which is next weekend. Through our material gift, we also demonstrate our gratitude for the contribution seafarers make to our daily lives. It is an opportunity to recognise the sacrifices they make and the dangers they face.

So, next weekend, let us pray for those who spend months on end away from home and family to ensure goods that we depend upon arrive on our shores. Their work is often undervalued and taken for granted. But, as we have been reminded in recent months, our world depends on what they do for a living.

Father John

STELLA MARIS SECOND COLLECTION next Sunday - 12th July. Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. Sea Sunday is Sunday 12th July. It is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in church, by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate, or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work, so please give generously. **THANK YOU.**



CAFOD PETITION - there will be a chance to sign the petition to cancel third World Debt this weekend after masses. The Parish CAFOD reps will be available with petitions to sign and give more information. You can also sign online at: <https://action.cafod.org.uk/page/189582/petition/1>

APPEALS FOR VENEZUELA Our thoughts and prayers are with all the people of Venezuela after two devastating earthquakes near Caracas. Many of our neighbours have been killed or injured, and buildings, including churches, seminaries and Caracas Cathedral, have been damaged. Despite this, our trusted Church partners in Venezuela are already helping the survivors of this crisis with emergency water, food and shelter. Your donation today will reach families affected by the earthquakes.

To help please donate to CAFOD or JESUIT MISSIONS

<https://cafod.org.uk/give/donate-to-emergencies/venezuela-earthquake-appeal>

<https://jesuitmissions.org.uk/donate/> or scan the QR code.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - We still have **4 certificates** in the Parish Office - if you have not picked up your child's certificate please pick it up as soon as possible.

YOUTH MASS Next one will be today (**5th**) at **5pm**. Refreshments served at a beach hut in Boscombe afterwards (20 minute walk) weather permitting. Please bring snacks & drinks to share. *No Youth Mass in August.* Next one will be 6th September. More info from Nicola on 07932 142594



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD Our last date for meeting with the children before the summer break is Sunday 12th July, at 10.00a.m. Mass. We wish all the children and their families a safe and happy summer and look forward to meeting again in September. **CLOW team.**

THANK YOU FROM ST PETER'S SCHOOL – the Chaplaincy team would like to sincerely thank all those parishioners who prayed for our exam students recently and those who sent them messages. As always it was lovely to have your support and our students really appreciated it. **Thank you.**



CHURCHES TOGETHER IN SOUTHBOURNE Songs of Praise Fisherman's Walk **Sunday 5th July** 2.30 to 3.15 pm. Music Lead by Boscombe Salvation Army Band. Donations invited for Salvation Army BHI1 Homeless Project

CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL VACANCY - CATERING SUPERVISOR

The Governors are seeking to appoint a Catering Supervisor to join our support team which provides pupils with well presented, quality meals in accordance with the standards set by the hot meals service provider. More information is available on the school website www.cccpschool.co.uk The closing date is **midday Tuesday 14th July 2026**

A DAY WITH MARY Sat 18th July 9.30am - 4.30pm in Bournemouth Oratory, Richmond Hill Bournemouth. See poster for more details.

PILGRIMAGE TO TURIN & ASSISI 2026 with Portsmouth Diocese. **Turin & Assisi dates are 20-26th July.** Cost and more information can be obtained by emailing Canon PJ Smith on Lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES, 21st - 28th August 2026 See poster on noticeboard for further details. Come in procession and respond to Our Lady's son to love God and love our neighbours as ourselves. Contact: frances@catholicassociation.co.uk

CELEBRATE FESTIVAL, 15 - 19 August 2026, Worth School, West Sussex, a Catholic festival for all the family. CELEBRATE Trust is a Catholic ministry that inspires and equips people of all ages to live an authentic Christian life in the power of the Holy Spirit, in support of the family, to form the next generation and encourage local community. For more info & tickets go to: <https://www.celebratetrust.org/>

WEEK SILENT RETREAT at the Verbum Dei Retreat Centre on the **Isle of Wight - 21st - 28th August 2026**. Time to be renewed, empowered, re-energised by being with and listening to God. "Come to Me and you will live..." (Is. 55:3) For more info, please contact: verbumdei.iow@gmail.com or www.uk.verbumdei.org

VOCATIONS: "Come to me, all you who labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest." Christ invites each of us to lay down our burdens and find true peace in Him. In every vocation, priesthood, consecrated life, or holy matrimony, we are called to follow Him with trust, allowing His grace to strengthen us and renew our hearts. Take a moment today to listen to His call and rest in His loving presence. If you feel a stirring desire to follow God's path, talk to your priest or contact Cn. John Cooke. vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869

INTENTIONS: For those discerning religious vocations, that they may embrace consecrated life with peace and joyful commitment, let us pray to the Lord. For our seminarian Ryan Hawkes, who will be Ordained a Deacon for our Diocese in Rome today by Cardinal Roche

Lord, You have called this transitional deacon to serve Your people & prepare for the sacred duties of the priesthood.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon him as he offers himself in service of your Church.

Give him eyes to see the needs of your people, a discerning mind to know your truth,
a generous spirit, and a heart full of compassion. **Amen**

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

