



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: Wed 15: St Swithun Fri 17: St Bonaventure

RESPONSORIAL PSALM RESPONSE: Some seed fell into good soil and yielded its fruit.

15th Sunday of Year A 12th July 2026

Parish Activities & Programmes

At this time of the year, we look back – and we look forward. In many ways Parish life takes its rhythm from the school year: things tend to get started in the autumn, and come to a natural conclusion in the summer months. Couples who have been preparing for marriage still tend to go for a 'summer wedding' (probably in the hope of decent weather!). Our First Communion children received Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time at the end of May. Our schools now enter their last week: on Friday the long summer break begins for them. If people are able to get away for a change of scene then it is often in the summer months. So we can look back and give thanks, including for the many baptisms we have celebrated at Corpus Christi when we welcomed children with their families at this important stage of their faith journey.

One thing we have established over the past twelve months is a **Youth Mass**. On the first Sunday of each month the 5pm Mass has been shaped to involve more of the younger members of our parish, through music, reading, etc. After Mass there has been an opportunity to gather for refreshments and a chat – simply getting to know each other a bit better. If you have never come along to one of these Masses, and especially if you are in your teens (or above!), then why not make the effort to join us. Even if you normally come to the 10am Mass, give the evening a try. There won't be a Youth Mass in August: our next is on Sunday 6th September at 5pm. I am very grateful to Nicola who has done so much to help put this in place over the past year, together with a generous group of parishioners baking cakes and welcoming people after Mass.

Looking ahead: already we have had requests about First Communion and Confirmation. As usual, the Application Forms for First Holy Communion will be available in September. These need to be completed and returned before the half-term week later in October. Every year, families fail to enrol in time which makes life unnecessarily difficult. So, please, if you have a child who will be in Year Three or above and you would like them to take part, watch out for the Forms in September. At the same time we will have Forms available for our Confirmation Programme. This takes place once every two years and young people who are in Year Eight and above come September are welcome to apply. The Confirmation celebration will be sometime after Easter 2027 – and the next will be in 2029. So, don't miss out!

Last week Bishop Philip announced a list of clergy moves. These affect several parishes across the diocese as priests move from one parish to another. Here in Bournemouth & Christchurch we have only one change: in Southbourne. Father Alex and Father Mario are leaving and Father Inna Gade will arrive – from Guernsey where he is serving at present – in September. The Bishop has asked Father Inna to be the Priest-in-Charge at Our Lady Queen of Peace with me continuing in the role of 'canonical parish priest' for that parish. In some ways this is a technicality, but it does mean I can give Father Inna any support he needs and provides an opportunity for us to liaise between parishes as we plan towards full implementation of the Bishop's Vision for our Diocese of Portsmouth. **Father John**

SEA SUNDAY SECOND COLLECTION Today there is a second collection for Stella Maris. Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. 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.**

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.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD Today is our last date for meeting with the children before the summer break at Sunday 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.**



ACI FAMILY EVENING GROUP MEETING – TUESDAY 14TH JULY HENGISTBURY HEAD

WALK. We will be meeting at Solent Meads golf centre car park, Rolls Drive, BH6 4NA and take a walk at Hengistbury head - finding God in all things and sharing ACI family over the last year. (car parking is free & refreshments will be provided at the end). We are a local lay group who interact with other ACI groups in many different countries. We come together once a month and support each other through friendship and union. With our interaction with the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, we share their charism and deepen our spirituality and understanding through Saint Raphaela Mary. Come and see, all are welcome.

RED BOX 2025: THANK YOU! In 2025, Corpus Christi Parish raised £1983.63 through our Red Boxes and donations to Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Thank you! Our missionary community here at Corpus Christi Parish is part of a worldwide network of people supporting missionaries overseas through prayer and financial assistance. Communities around the world who are being supported by missionaries like the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, who feature on this year's Red Box Thank You Poster, rely on your support so they can continue to flourish. Visit missio.org.uk to find out more.

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

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: "The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest." God's Word bears fruit in hearts that are open and receptive. Pray that more hearts will be opened generously to however God may be calling them. Gently encourage young people to consider priesthood, consecrated life, or sacramental marriage as ways to respond with a joyful "yes" to God's plan.

INTENTIONS: For our parish, that we may cultivate vocations through prayer, guidance, and community support, let us pray to the Lord. For Dcn Jack Ryan who will be ordained a Priest by Bishop Philip next weekend. We ask that You fill him with the fire of your love as he prepares for this moment. We pray that his ministry may reveal your presence in the Church.



PRIESTLY ORDINATION OF DCN. JACK RYAN SATURDAY 18TH JULY, 11AM We look forward to this Priestly Ordination at St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth. Everyone is very welcome to come to the Ordination Mass, and we would encourage you to do so. It offers a unique opportunity to experience the grace of God expressed through the rich liturgy and to show support for those dedicating their lives to serving the Church.

May the Lord, who has called you by name, fill your heart with the fire of His love, and strengthen your hands for the sacred work ahead. Please keep him in your prayers. If you want to follow on line, click here <https://www.churchservices.tv/portsmouthcathedral> **Please keep all our Seminarians in your prayers.**

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

