



Immaculate Conception & St Joseph Parish

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2nd and 3rd November: Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

*This Sunday's readings: Deuteronomy 6:2-6, Hebrews 7:23-28 Gospel: Mark 12:28-34
Psalm from Psalm 17(18)*

ST JOSEPH'S, CHRISTCHURCH (Including Mass Intentions)

Sat 2nd **10:30 Memorial Mass for St Joseph's and Holy Redeemer**
5pm Mass Commemoration of All Souls with confessions from 4pm to 4:45pm
Dionisio Jorge RIP anniversary Mass
Sun 3rd **9am Family Mass (livestreamed link [HERE](#)).**
George and Mary Kent RIP
Mon 4th **11am Rosary in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel**
Tues 5th **9:30am – 10:30am: Adoration and Morning Prayer**
6pm Rosary before Mass
6:30pm Mass
Elizabeth Dunne RIP
Wed 6th **9:30am – 10am Adoration**
10am Requiem Mass for Lucy Maguire RIP
6:30pm – 7:30pm Adoration

PRIVATE PRAYER in the chapel: Mon – Fri 9.30am – 4pm

HOLY REDEEMER, HIGHCLIFFE (Including Mass Intentions)

13 – 15 Kilmington Way, BH23 5BL 01425 274838
Sun 3rd **11am Mass**
Remembering our deceased
Mon 4th **10am – 2pm Adoration**
Thurs 7th **10am Mass and confession**
Fri 8th **10am Mass**
Carol Welsh RIP

PRIVATE PRAYER: Daily 10am – 2pm

BAMENDA SUNDAY

On Bamenda Sunday this weekend, we celebrate our Diocesan link with the Archdiocese of Bamenda, Cameroon, now in its 50th year.

Please pray for a peaceful resolution to the political crisis in Bamenda and for the priests generously sent here from the Archdiocese to serve in the Diocese of Portsmouth. This collection is the main source of annual income for the various joint projects, our Bamenda Funds will support.
CLICK HERE TO DONATE ONLINE.

PARISH OFFICE - 01202 483340

The office is usually open Wednesday to Friday, between 8:30am and 4:30pm.
If you need to speak with someone urgently, please leave a message as all voicemails are picked up.
If your enquiry can wait a little, please email office@icsj.org.uk and I will reply as soon as possible.

REST IN PEACE

Please keep in your prayers Lucien Chazot, Michael McEvilly, Jim Price and Anna Stapleton and any other anniversaries that occur at this time.
May they all rest in peace and rise in glory.



WELCOME

This weekend we welcome back Fr Paul. We pray he had a restful and wonderful time, visiting friends and family.



REPOSITORY IN THE HALL

This Sunday 3rd November, the repository team will have a stall in the parish centre before and after the Mass.
Please come and support your Church!
2025 diaries will be on sale plus Christmas gifts, cards and more!!
All profits from every purchase made, is given direct to our church funds.



RICHARD MARTIN

This Sunday, 3rd November, at 9am Mass, Richard will formally be instituted as Acolyte.

This is the next liturgical step to ordination as Permanent Deacon next year.
Richard's letter explaining his journey is still available by **CLICKING HERE**

PRAYER INTENTIONS



Please pray for all our parishioners who are unwell or troubled in any way, and especially at this time for:

Kevin Curtis, Anne Crane, Helena Shrubbs, Anne Wood, Dave Wood, Joan Miller, Andrew Allen, Jillie Ryan, John Kennedy, Peter Mattimoe, Marie Macmillan, Baby Edward, Stan Murphy, Steven, Slawek Gawlik and family, Pat Feltham, Catherine Judge, Richard, Suzanne, John Michael Ryan, Anna and Raymondo Hubbard, Howard Wood, Carol Sneed, Maria Golding-Cooney, Roger Mallory, Annie Baldry, Helen Pollard, John Packer, Danny McQuillan, Anne-Marie Fletcher, Madeleine Rose Halston, Fr John Chadwick, and Pope Francis.

If you have any personal prayer intentions that you would like included in our Bidding Prayers and/or newsletter, or if you would like a Mass said for a particular intention, please contact the Office with details.

CHRISTCHURCH FOODBANK+

Our needs this week are UHT milk, boxes of cereal, fruit squash, biscuits and tinned fruit. Thank you and blessings in advance.

ST JOSEPH'S CHRISTMAS FAYRE Saturday 7th December 2024.

This is our main fundraising event of the Year
A box will be left in the Narthex for tombola prizes PLUS any contents for Christmas Hampers to be raffled.

Lots of helpers will be needed to run the stalls, cook burgers, brainstorm ideas etc to make it the best Fayre yet.



If you have any suggestions to offer, or are just willing to serve where needed, please come along to a meeting at 1.30pm on Wednesday 6th November.

If you have suggestions and would be willing to get involved but cannot make the meeting, please contact any committee member or phone Claire (01202 423431).

IMPORTANT – RESOURCES FOR PARISHIONERS TO OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE

As we are aware Bishop Philip issued a pastoral letter on assisted suicide which was read out last weekend.

In order to support the Bishop's call, here is an email tool to contact your MP (**CLICK HERE**) to voice your concerns.

There are also hard copies of the letter in the porch for those who don't use email or who would prefer to lodge their opposition by mail.

Should you like more information, please visit the Diocesan website

<https://portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/oppose-assisted-suicide/> where you will find all the resources you need.

REACHING THE UNREACHED

Thank you to everyone who sponsored the walkers in this yr's Brother Lionel sponsored walk in aid of Reaching the Unreached.

So far we have raised an amazing £4000 plus from the churches in Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch.

A big thank you to St Joseph's for raising a fabulous £772.

Your generosity will make a huge difference.



Should you wish to make any donation to St Joseph's, or set up a direct debit or standing order regular payment, please use the information below.

Account number 00876292

Account name

CDP St Joseph's Christchurch

Sort Code 30-93-04

Thank you for your continued and ongoing generosity.



NEXT (CHRISTMAS) TRIP TO THE UKRAINE

Mike and his team has requested the following items....

Baby items – nappies, wet wipes, baby formula, jars of baby food. Knitted baby hats.



Any tinned or dried packets of food.

Any Christmas food items or gifts.

Sleeping bags, children's knitted hats and gloves.

Pencils /note books.

There will be a box in the porch for any such donations.

They also need medical supplies such as Calpol, paracetamol, aspirin, plasters and dressings.

For health and safety these **MUST NOT** be left in the porch.

Please contact the office to sort out storage.

All donations need to be made by the END OF NOV.

If you have any questions, please contact Ann Marie on 01202 463488.

UKRAINE - PART 2

SMALL BAKED BEAN TINS AND CANDLES

Do you have any old or part used candles, and clean, empty small (only the small) baked bean tins?

If you have we can then melt the candles down, pop into the tins and make vital candles.

Please open the tin using the ring pull and leave any items in the church porch – thanks.



REMEMBERING THOSE WE LOVE –

Once again, the School Chaplaincy Team invite you to join them for their annual prayer initiative.

“Remembering Those We Love” is an opportunity to light a candle, pray and write intentions for those that we love, both living and deceased.

The event is from Tues 12th to Thurs 14th Nov in the School Chapel,

St Catherine's Road, Southbourne BH6 4AH any time between 3pm - 4.30pm.

You are also very welcome to join us at 3.45pm on Wednesday 13th for a Memorial Mass.

If you have any further questions please contact chaplaincy@st-peters.bournemouth.sch.uk.

St PETER'S SCHOOL TOURS

For those who are making applications for reception in 2025, there are school tours on the following mornings -

Tues 5th Nov, Weds 13th Nov, Thurs 21st Nov, Fri 29th Nov and Weds 8th Jan.

All tours start at 9:15am.

Please call 01202 421141

ext 2298 or email

admissions@st-peters.bournemouth.sch.uk to book your place.



CAFOD WORLD GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS

There are the annual World Gifts for Christmas catalogues in the porch for you to take home and look at.

You can also check out the full range of gifts by

CLICKING HERE

or by calling 0303 303 3030