



Immaculate Conception & St Joseph Parish

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18th and 19th January 2025 : Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

*This Sunday's readings: Isaiah 62:1-5, 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 Gospel: John 2:1-11
Psalm from Psalm 96(95)*

ST JOSEPH'S, CHRISTCHURCH (Including Mass Intentions)

Sat 18th **5pm Mass with confessions from 4pm to 4:45pm**
Susan Reid RIP birthday Mass
Sun 19th **9am Mass (livestreamed link [HERE](#)).**
Sister Philomena Washington RIP
Mon 20th **11am Rosary in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel**
4pm Reception of the coffin and night vigil
Tues 21st **10:30am Requiem Mass for Annie Baldry RIP**
6pm Rosary before Mass
6:30pm Mass
Wed 22nd **9:30am - 10:00am Adoration**
10am Mass
Thurs 23rd **6pm - 7pm Adoration**
Fri 24th **3pm Christian Fellowship of Churches**
prayer service

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 19th **11am Mass**
Doreen Walden Special Intention
Mon 20th **10am - 2pm Adoration**
Thurs 23rd **10am Mass and confession**
Fri 24th **10am Mass**
People of the Parish

PRIVATE PRAYER: Daily 10am - 2pm

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 when the office is closed.



MINISTRY AT SUNDAY 9am MASS - CAN YOU HELP?

Have you ever thought about joining one of our Ministry teams, particularly our team of readers who proclaim the Word and/or the Ministry of introducing?

Readers always share this ministry with another person (one reading the 1st reading and the other reading the 2nd).

The Introducers welcome parishioners at the beginning of Mass, prepare and read the intercessions and highlight some newsletter items.

If the thought of writing the Intercessions seems daunting,

I am pleased to say that Richard has offered his assistance with this.

If you feel that you would like to join one of our Ministry teams please either see Mike at the end of Mass or email him at famcooper@hotmail.com.



REST IN PEACE

Please keep in your prayers Brendan Gilney, Leslie Gage, Jean Wentworth, Veronica Meredith, John Munden, Derick Carroll, Susan Ash, John Dunlop and John Ryan and any other anniversaries that occur at this time. Please also pray for the repose of the soul of Annie Baldry who's funeral Mass will take place here on Tuesday
May they all rest in peace and rise in glory.



MESSAGE FROM FR PAUL

I wish to thank you all for your kind prayers, cards and gifts over the Christmas season. As we work to build a vibrant faith community, your continued support and encouragement is so greatly appreciated. I will continue to hold each and every one of you in my prayers and pray that 2025 will bring you and your family health, comfort and many blessings.

Fr Paul.

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, Helen Pollard, John Packer, Danny McQuillan, Anne-Marie Fletcher, Madeleine Rose Halston, Pauline Robins, Fr John Chadwick, Fr Antony Gatt 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.

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME

to Robyn Eva Blackwell and Bodhi James Blackwell and Harper Lucy Paris Perrins-Hill who were baptised here last weekend.



We welcome you and your family into the Parish family of St Joseph.

CHRISTCHURCH FOODBANK+

Thank you for your continued and faithful support. Together we make such a difference in peoples lives in the community.
Our needs this week are UHT milk, boxes of cereal, tinned tomatoes and tinned fruit.
Thank you and blessings in advance.

GRANDPARENTS' ASSOCIATION

Next meeting is **Wednesday 22nd January** in the Parish Centre after the 10am Mass.
We usually meet every 4th Wednesday of the month.
For more information contact Ann-Marie on 01202 463488.

BCP CONSULTATION OVER PARKING CHANGES OUTSIDE CHURCH

It has been brought to our attention that BCP Council is consulting on a proposal to change the waiting restrictions on the whole length of Purewell.



Should you want to know more please CLICK HERE.

Note the consultation ends on 31st January.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 18th - 25th January

Christchurch Fellowship of Churches (CfOC) have arranged a prayer service to take place each weekday, (see below), led by a different member-church.

Monday 20th January: 5.30 pm:

Godfirst Church at: Water Lily Cafe, 131 Barrack Rd, Christchurch, BH23 2AW.

Tuesday 21st January: 4 pm:

Burton URC Church at: Burton Green, 119 Salisbury Road, Burton, BH23 7JN.

Wednesday 22nd January: 5 pm:

The Priory C of E. at: The Priory Church, Quay Rd., Christchurch BH23 1 BU.

Thursday 23rd January: 12.30 pm:

Christchurch Baptist Church at: 49, Bargates, Christchurch (Soup and a roll at 12.15pm)

Friday 24th January: 3 pm: St Joseph's Catholic Church – here! (Refreshments afterwards).

It would be wonderful if St Joseph's parishioners were present at every service!

Perhaps, you could set out to attend two or more? 'That we may all be one.'

This week, Bishop Philip writes about Christian Unity Week in the E-News. **To view CLICK HERE**

To find out more about CfoC, see:

<https://www.christchurchfellowshipofchurches.org.uk/>

Join Us



PAMIS AND ENEWSLETTERS UPDATE

As you are aware we have been having some difficulties with the company who manages our database.

For some, the enewsletter that I send out on a Fri lunchtime, often 'bounces back' and isn't being received by all those who have requested it.

I am now being told that there is an identified global problem with some Hotmail addresses which is beyond the control of PAMIS.

I understand this has been widely reported in the media.

Please be assured that I am working hard with PAMIS to resolve the situation as far as we can but I thank you all for your

ongoing patience and understanding.

Please remember that the newsletter can be seen online at <https://www.avonstour.co.uk/parishes/icsj/newsletters/>

UPDATE

Welcome to Worship

After 5 years, it's back...

Our popular evening of Song, Scripture & Silence returns at last!

This will be our first event as the new Bournemouth East Pastoral Area, bringing together the parishes of Charminster & Castlepoint, Highcliffe and Christchurch.

**Tuesday 11th February at St Joseph's Church
7:30pm – 9pm**

followed by refreshments.

Everyone welcome!

(and why not bring a friend or two...?).

Comments from previous events:

"wonderful, reflective and uplifting"

"a truly inspirational evening!"

"a lovely sense of calm and deep prayer"

"inviting, open and non-threatening".

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.



There will be Tea & Coffee after 9am Mass,
in the Parish Centre
to which you are all welcome.

