



Immaculate Conception & St Joseph Parish

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Wednesday - Friday, 9am – 5pm

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4th and 5th November 2023: Thirty-First Sunday of Ordinary time

This Sunday's readings: Malachi 1:14-2:2,8-10, 1 Thessalonians 2:7-9,13 Gospel: Matthew 23:1-12
Psalm from Psalm 130(131)

ST JOSEPH'S, CHRISTCHURCH (Including Mass Intentions)

- Sat 4th 10:30am Thanksgiving Mass
5pm Mass with confessions from 4pm to 4:45pm
People of the Parish
- Sun 5th 9am Family Mass (livestreamed link [HERE](#))
Joyce Ryan RIP
- Tues 7th 9.30am – 10.30am: Adoration & Morning Prayer
6:30pm Mass
Ron Thompson RIP
Moira and John Thompson RIP
- Wed 8th 9.30am – 10am Adoration
10:00am Mass.
Private intention
- Thurs 9th 7pm – 8pm 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 5th 11am Remembrance Mass
- Mon 6th 10am – 2pm Adoration
- Thurs 9th 11am Memorial Mass
Gerry O'Neill RIP
- Fri 10th 10am Mass

PRIVATE PRAYER: Daily 10am – 2pm

PARISH OFFICE - 01202 483340.

The office is usually open every Wed – Fri between 9am and 5pm.

If the office is closed, please leave a voicemail as all messages are dealt with outside these times.

THIS SUNDAY IS BAMENDA SUNDAY

when we shall be giving thanks for our link with the Archdiocese of Bamenda and for the ministry of their five priests serving in our Diocese; praying for our brothers and sisters in Bamenda and for the restoration of peace and justice in the region; and giving to our annual appeal to support projects in Bamenda in 2024, the 50th anniversary of the formation of the link!

Please read our annual Bamenda News for an update, which can be accessed on the Bamenda and Portsmouth website: <https://www.bamendaandportsmouth.com/index.php>

Donations can be made via the parish second collection or [CLICK HERE](#):

Thank you for your generosity!

REST IN PEACE

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



GRAVE BLESSINGS

Fr Paul will bless graves this year as below
Sat 11th November

10am Christchurch Cemetery
and Bournemouth Crematorium at 11:30am

Fr has asked that you meet with him in the cemeteries and show him which grave you want blessing so he doesn't walk around trying to find people who are waiting for this wonderful blessing.



OUR ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS

this Saturday Nov 4th at 10.30am.

Please join us at our annual memorial Mass as we celebrate and remember the lives of deceased parishioners, relatives and friends of St Joseph's.

During this Mass there will be a roll call of the deceased names as we think about our loved ones and share a prayer together.



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



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, Lucy Maguire, Andrew Allen, Jillie Ryan, John Kennedy, Peter Mattimoe, Anna Stapleton, Marie Macmillan, Baby Edward, Joyce Peckham, Steven, Slawek Gawlik and family, Pat Feltham, Catherine Judge, Catherine Halston, Eileen Kelleher, Charlotte Pritchard, Suzanne, Doris Agathangelou, Aunt Joan, Martin Leane, Christina and Harry 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 are tinned fruit, tinned vegetables, UHT milk cartons and tinned meat meals (stew, curry and mince).

We are also asking for hot water bottles for our visitors and children.

Our reverse Advent box/bag started on the 1st of November, so why don't you collect an item a day, pop it in the bag and drop them off at the beginning of December. We can then bless families for whom Christmas can just be another day to get through. God bless you for all your faithful support and thank you in advance.

REMEMBERING THOSE WE LOVE

The Chaplaincy Team at St Peter's School invite you to join them for their annual prayer initiative.

The event will be on

Tues 7th, Weds 8th and Thurs 9th Nov in the Chapel, St Catherine's Road, BH6 4AH between 3pm - 4.30pm (please come for as little or as long as you can).

In addition this year we will be celebrating a Memorial Mass for all of our deceased friends and relatives at

4pm on the Wednesday, 8th – everyone welcome.

For more information please contact chaplaincy@st-peters.bournemouth.sch.uk

ST PETER'S COMMUNITY CHOIR - CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Sunday 26th November at 3.00pm in the De La Salle Theatre St Peter's School, Southbourne.

With choirs from St James Primary

and Avonwood Primary Schools.

Tickets £8 (under 12's £5) from Ticketsource at: www.ticketsource.co.uk/booking/t-zzxvjyz Tickets on the Door £10 (cash only) Profits to charities including RTU (Brother Lionel).



CHRISTMAS PARTIES

There will be 3 Christmas parties for the children this year:

Friday 1st December 5pm - 7pm:

Youth Club Juniors (Years 4-6)

Saturday 2nd December 11am - 1pm:

Children in Reception - Year 3

Friday 8th December 6:30pm - 8:30pm:

Youth Club Seniors (Year 7 and above)

The suggested donation for each party is £5 and places are limited and must be booked in advance by contact Emma on familiesandyouth@icsj.org.uk.

Please see the posters in the porch for more details.

ANOTHER DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES

Saturday 18th November 11.00 – 2.00 pm will be our AUTUMN/CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Various stalls, teas/coffees, mulled wine and bacon butties.

Donations of bottles and Christmas fare

will be most welcome for the tombola and the Christmas hamper raffle.

We also need books in good condition which we can sell.

Please bring to Mass and leave in the box in the Narthex from next weekend 5th Nov.

If you would like to make a cake for the cake stall, the boxes will be given out next weekend also.

GIFT AID VOLUNTEER

With a heavy heart Pat Curtis has decided after almost 15 years to step down as our parish gift aid administrator at the end of this year. Pat would like to thank everybody for their kindness and support during her ministry here. If anybody would be willing to take on this important role, full training will be given.

If you would like to know more, please contact Pat on giftaid@icjs.org.uk who will be more than happy to give any additional information required.

PAMIS-REGISTRATION

To register with the parish please use the link below <https://p4.pamis.co.uk/avonstour/online6213>

OR CLICK HERE

There are forms in the porch if you don't have online access but, if at all possible, please register online. All data is kept in accordance with Diocesan GDPR policy.

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.

The total raised by St Joe's has so far reached £716, and we are expecting to raise over £4,000 from the 10 churches in Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch.

Special thanks go to Jan and Ann-Marie Bridle.

Your generosity will make a huge difference to the lives of the orphaned and abandoned children living in the villages in South India.

CAFOD WORLD GIFTS CATALOGUES 2023 - 24

Celebrate the true spirit of giving, with gifts from World Gifts.

Catalogues in the porch or **CLICK HERE**

Every gift you are able to buy through World Gifts helps people in need and makes a massive difference.

Thank you.