



Immaculate Conception & St Joseph Parish

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23rd and 24th March 2024: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
 This Sunday's readings: Isaiah 50:4-7, Philipians 2:6-11 Gospel: Mark 14:1-15:47
 Psalm from Psalm 21(22)

ST JOSEPH'S, CHRISTCHURCH (Including Mass Intentions)

Sat 23rd **5pm Mass with confessions from 4pm to 4:45pm**
 Charles, Sarah and Sven-healing from cancer

Sun 24th **9am Mass (livestreamed link [HERE](#)).**
 Peggy Tucker RIP

Mon 25th **11am Rosary in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel**

Tues 26th **9:30am – 10:30am: Adoration and Morning Prayer**
 N/B No evening Mass

Wed 27th **9:30am – 10:00am Adoration**
10am Mass
 Fe Reid RIP

Thur 28th **10:30am Stations of the Cross**
8pm Maundy Thursday -
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

Fri 29th **10:30 Walk of Witness**
from Stanpit car park to church
11am Stations of the Cross
3pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

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 24th **11am Mass**
 Maurice Reynolds RIP

Mon 25th **10am – 2pm Adoration**

Thurs 28th **5pm Maundy Thursday**
Mass of the Lord's Supper

Fri 29th **3pm The Lord's Passion**

PRIVATE PRAYER: Daily 10am – 2pm

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION IS FOR HOLY PLACES

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection supports the Christian community in the Middle East.
 This last year has been particularly challenging for this small community
 which seeks 'to be the salt, light and leaven of the Gospel' in the region, often living in difficult circumstances.
 If you would like to make a donation, please click [HERE](#)

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.

PLEASE NOTE THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON GOOD FRIDAY AND WILL CLOSE AT 3PM ON WEDS 3rd APRIL.

REST IN PEACE

Please keep in your prayers James Pittendreigh,
 Fe Reid, Carol Ann Le Jehan, Valerie Scott Johns,
 John Halston, Elizabeth Salmon and Ronald Parly
 and any other anniversaries that occur at this time.
 May they all rest in peace and rise in glory.



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Easter gifts and cards are available
 for our housebound parishioners
 in St Catherine's kitchen.

Please name the cards personally. Thank you.

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



CONFIRMATION

This year we have 20 young people on the
 Confirmation course
 and at their Confirmation celebration,
 we would like to gift them a bible.

If you would like to sponsor a bible, the cost is £15.

It would also make it very special

if you could personally dedicate the bible to them.

Bibles will be available from Emma personally
or you can contact her at emma1976@gmail.com.



PALM SUNDAY CHILDREN'S LITURGY

There will be a special retelling of The Easter story
 for our younger parishioners during Children's Liturgy
 so please do come along.

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, Marie Macmillan, Baby Edward, Stan Murphy, Christina Bellanti, Steven, Slawek Gawlik and family, Pat Feltham, Catherine Judge, Eileen Kelleher, Charlotte Pritchard, Suzanne, Aunt Joan, Martin Leane, 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+

What do we need? We need everything!

When do we need it? Now!

We help over 200 individuals in the 2 week Easter school holidays so if you can, please add an Easter egg to our collection boxes – thank you.

Regular needs - cereals, UHT milk, tinned tuna, pasta sauce jars, tinned fruit, tinned meat meals, custard, crisps and savoury snacks.

Good news stories are always worth sharing.

This week we were able to bless a couple in their 80's with new bath towels after all theirs were stolen from the laundry. We moved furniture in for a family who had been in a hostel for 16 months after their landlord sold up and we blessed a 90 year old man with food and new slippers after returning home from a long hospital stay.

GRANDPARENTS' ASSOCIATION

Next meeting is **Wednesday 27th March** in the Parish Centre after the Mass.

We meet every 4th Wednesday of the month.

For more information contact Ann-Marie on 01202 463488.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

at **Corpus Christi Church Boscombe 13-14th April 2024**
(Saturday 9am to Sunday 5.00pm)

To book **CLICK HERE** or contact Jackie or Roger on **07948516854** for further information.

Leaflets can also be found in the porch.

ST PETER'S COMMUNITY CHOIR CONCERT

'Thank you for the Music'

Sunday 28th April at 3.00pm

in **St Saviours Church, Colemore Road.**

Live music from the full ensemble of Hyde Brass Band.

Tickets £12 from Ticket Source -

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-peters-community-choir>
or £15 on the door.

Ticket includes a cream tea.



PRIVATE NOTICE

A room in a shared house is being looked for by Amaka Nnopus.

This would be for a single professional female occupant and would be a private arrangement.

Amaka can be contacted on 07900013540.

IN THE PORCH AND NARTHEX – PLEASE HELP YOURSELF

Please help yourself to the Easter cards with dates and times of all services over Easter.

In the Narthex you will find a box of 2024 giving envelopes. Please take the envelope with your name on. If you have any questions, please contact Ursula.

UKRAINE APPEAL

We, as a parish have previously supported a team, led by Mike, a parishioner from St Mary's to go over to Ukraine.

He and the team are returning again in April

so if you have any of the items below, there is a box in the porch



BUT

PLEASE NOTE FOR H&S REASONS, ANY PHARMACEUTICAL ITEMS AND MILK FORMULA MUST BE GIVEN TO ANN MARIE AFTER SUN MASS OR HANDED INTO THE OFFICE.

Items needed -

any sleeping bags, milk formula, children and baby clothing and any pharmaceutical item.

If you have any questions call Ann Marie on 01202463488.

UPDATE AND THANKS

We have now replaced the boiler in the hall at a cost of £3,445 plus VAT

as further attempts at repair seemed uneconomical.

We are, however, still planning to replace the church boiler.

After approximately 32 years,

it is still 'just about' working,

but is getting to the end of its serviceable life.

Thank you for your continuing and very generous financial support for both these projects.



REACHING THE UNREACHED

13 volunteers will soon be travelling to India to visit the RTU charity.

If you have any pencils, coloured crayons, small writing pads or light toys

which can be given to the poor children in the local area to RTU, please pop in the box in the porch.

ANTS

I've been asked to remind people that whilst we do have a cleaner for the parish centre, if we don't clear up spills and they remain on the floor until she comes, we do then 'welcome' ants.

Whilst St Joe's is welcoming to all,

I'm not sure we want to add ants to join us!

Thanks everyone. Wendy

WITH EASTER COMING UP, A GENTLE REMINDER: CAR PARKING FOR SUNDAY MASS ONLY.

We are very fortunate that some of our neighbours kindly allow us to use their car parks **during Sunday Mass only.**

At Priory Vets (next door):



we may park **at the front of the surgery**, using the 8 spaces,

but **NOT down the side or around the back.**

At Harbour House (opposite the Vets):

we may **ONLY** park in any of the **4 spaces at the front**, but **not in front of the front door or down the side of the building.**

THANK YOU FOR RESPECTING THESE CONDITIONS.

Please help us maintain good relationships with our neighbours.