



# Immaculate Conception & St Joseph Parish

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## 21st and 22nd September 2024: Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*This Sunday's readings: Wisdom 2:12,17-20, James 3:16-4:3 Gospel: Mark 9:30-37  
Psalm from Psalm 53(54)*

### ST JOSEPH'S, CHRISTCHURCH (Including Mass Intentions)

Sat 21st **5pm Mass with confessions from 4pm to 4:45pm**  
Ray Dunne RIP Anniversary Mass  
Sun 22nd **9am Mass (livestreamed link [HERE](#)).**  
David Flynn RIP Anniversary Mass  
Mon 23rd **11am Rosary in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel**  
Tues 24th **9:30am – 10:30am: Adoration and Morning Prayer**  
**6pm Rosary before Mass**  
**6:30pm Mass**  
  
Wed 25th **9:30am – 10am Adoration**  
**10am Mass**  
**6:30pm – 7:30pm Adoration**  
Penny Smith RIP

**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 22nd **11am Mass**  
People of the Parish  
Mon 23rd **10am – 2pm Adoration**  
Thurs 26th **10am Mass with confession**  
John Taggart RIP  
Fri 27th **10am Mass**

**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.  
If your enquiry can wait a little, please email [office@icsj.org.uk](mailto:office@icsj.org.uk) and I will reply as soon as possible.

### REST IN PEACE

Please keep in your prayers David Flynn, Fiona Howells, Mary McQuillan, Ramiz Hattab and Maureen Koller and any other anniversaries that occur at this time.  
May they all rest in peace and rise in glory.



### KEEP THE DATE – TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE

**Saturday 28th September.**  
**Annual barbecue in the Parish centre after evening Mass.**  
**Tickets on sale after all weekend Masses - £10 adults £4 children.**



For a change this year, there will also be an opportunity to try exciting "Playing Card Bingo" for those who wish. (£2 a round so bring some cash).  
Others can sit and chat with their friends in the garden (weather permitting).

### FAMILIES AND CHILDREN UPDATE

#### Children's Liturgy

This is a valuable resource for both our younger parishioners and their parents but we desperately need more volunteers to come forward.

**Each team is only on the rota a maximum of twice each term so please see Aisling if you can help out or email her on [mccarthyaisling@gmail.com](mailto:mccarthyaisling@gmail.com)**



#### Family Mass

This will restart the first weekend in October but we need help.

**We desperately need families to join a rota to lead the bidding prayers so please get in contact with Emma on [emma1976@gmail.com](mailto:emma1976@gmail.com)**



### Fr PAUL'S ANNUAL LEAVE

Fr Paul will be away from the parish for several weeks from the end of Sept. We pray that he has a restful and restorative time away and comes back safe and sound.  
**'Heavenly Father, bless Fr's travels and keep him safe from harm until he returns.'**

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, Marie Macmillan, Baby Edward, Stan Murphy, Steven, Slawek Gawlik and family, Pat Feltham, Catherine Judge, Richard, Lucy Maguire, 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, 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.

### CHAIR CLEANING

**This Saturday 21st September at 10am we are hoping a team of people will come together to help clean the parish centre chairs.**

We understand this may not sound like fun but any time you can give would be so helpful.



### GIFT AID OFFICER

We are again looking for a volunteer to help with the important financial contribution to the parish in the form of Gift Aid.

All training will be given so if you are interested, please contact the office or Ursula directly.



### CHRISTCHURCH FOODBANK+

**We are especially in need of tinned carrots and sweetcorn, tinned fruit, pasta sauce jars, tins of soup, baked beans, tinned tomatoes, boxes of cereal and packets of pasta.**

### CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME

To Rocco Louie Critchell-Lane who was baptised here last weekend. We welcome you and your family into the Parish family of St Joseph.



### COUNTING

This weekend and for the next 4 weekends, all parishes across all the dioceses of England and Wales will be undertaking the count, that is, the numbers of people in attendance in church at weekend Masses.

We hope this doesn't inconvenience anyone and we thank you for your patience as well as the counters for taking on this additional task.

### NEXT (CHRISTMAS) TRIP TO THE UKRAINE

We have in the past supported Mike, a brother of one of our parishioners who also attends St Mary's in Poole as he makes humanitarian trips to The Ukraine.

Mike's next trip will be at the beginning of Dec and he 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.



As this will be a Christmas visit, any Christmas food items or gifts such as sweets, edible Father Christmases, tins of biscuits. 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 Ann Marie on 01202 463488 and she will store them until Mike leaves.

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

### DEFIBRILLATOR INFORMATION

The defibrillator which was donated to us by Christchurch Rotary has now been used (and returned) 3 times, the last time being last week.

We pray for all those who have needed to use this vital piece of equipment and the emergency services who respond to give help.



### REACHING THE UNREACHED

This year's sponsored walk will take place on **this Sunday 22nd Sept at Poole Park, leaving St Mary's Church at 11am and starting at The Ark at 11:30am.**



We will be collecting after each weekend Mass before the date.

For more information, please contact John Duffy on 07746169601 or Mo Houlden on 01425 657321.

### OPEN DOOR – AN UPDATE

The Open Door group was set up last Autumn for those seeking to learn more about the Catholic Faith, and possibly formally joining the Church.

The group has met regularly and will continue with monthly meetings until Christmas.

The meetings involve some teaching about the Faith, group sharing and a time for prayer and reflection.

Please continue to pray for these good people as they continue their journey.

Your prayers are much appreciated. Thank you.



### PRIVATE NOTICE

Two bedroom flat in Christchurch urgently needed for Ukrainian mum with two young girls (year 2 and reception) and a baby boy.

Approximate 6 months let.

Able and willing to pay rent in advance.

Mum speaks excellent English and is very clean and tidy.

**Please contact Ursula on 07855 363227 if you can help.**

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**

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**Thank you for your continued and ongoing generosity.**