



Immaculate Conception & St Joseph Parish

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7th and 8th September 2024: Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

*This Sunday's readings: Isaiah 35:4-7, James 2:1-5 Gospel: Mark 7:31-37
Psalm from Psalm 145 (146)*

ST JOSEPH'S, CHRISTCHURCH (Including Mass Intentions)

Sat 7th **5pm Mass with confessions from 4pm to 4:45pm**
People of the Parish
Sun 8th **9am Mass (livestreamed link [HERE](#)).**
Benefactor's of St Josephs
Mon 9th **11am Rosary in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel**
Tues 10th **9:30am – 10:30am: Adoration and Morning Prayer**
6pm Rosary before Mass
6:30pm Mass
Wed 11th **9:30am – 10am Adoration**
10am Mass
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 8th **11am Mass**
Mon 9th **10am – 2pm Adoration**
Thurs 12th **10am Mass with confession**
Fri 13th **10am Mass**

PRIVATE PRAYER: Daily 10am – 2pm

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR THE CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICE

The Catholic Education Service acts on behalf of the Catholic Bishops' Conference to support Catholic education. Catholic schools make up 10% of the national total of maintained schools in England and Wales, educating over 850,000 pupils.
CLICK HERE TO DONATE

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.
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 Elizabeth Johnson, Nora Lee, John Lawless and Dick Wentworth and any other anniversaries that occur at this time.
May they all rest in peace and rise in glory.



HOLY HABITS UPDATE

Monday morning Rosary in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel will start again this week.
Also returning on Tuesday morning is Holy Hour and the Rosary before Tuesday evening Mass.
Wednesday evening Adoration also returns.
Please see above for full details



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).

NEW LIFE CHOIR DVD/USB – WHO I AM TOUR
You can now order the last concert in 2024 recorded live at Bangor Elim Church.
CLICK HERE



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, 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

On 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 the more the merrier and we do need to make sure the chairs are looked after so we don't have the expense of buying new ones.

Any time you can give would be so helpful.



GIFT AID OFFICER

We are again looking for a volunteer to help Ursula with Gift Aid.

We are very grateful to Melanie (who has done it since Pat left) but who for personal reasons has had to step down.



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 crisps, savoury snacks, (crackers and bread sticks), UHT milk, tinned soup, pasta sauce jars, fruit squash, baked beans, tinned tomatoes, tinned carrots and boxes of cereal.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONFERENCE - CARITAS

As part of the Season of Creation we are holding an environmental conference, 'To Hope and Act with Creation'

at St Peter's and Winchester Martyrs Parish on Saturday 14th Sept, 10am - 1pm.

Please see the poster in the porch or [CLICK HERE](#) for more information.

HOLY WATER

There is now Holy Water available which has been blessed by Fr Paul. If you buy a container from the repository or want to take some home please see Jose for more information.

DIOCESAN FORMATION DAY FOR READERS

Fr Anthony Fyk, Director of Liturgy Formation, is running a formation day for readers on **Saturday 19th October from 10.30 am to 2 pm. at St Bede's Church/Hall, Basingstoke.**

Please see poster in the porch.

Register to attend by emailing: liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

THANK YOU

The finance committee would like to thank all those who faithfully support the 50:50 fundraising initiative each week.

So far we have raised just shy of £4K, of which £1,200 is for the boiler.

The boiler has now been installed and we continue to fund-raise until Advent towards payment.

Your support is very much appreciated.



REACHING THE UNREACHED

This year's Brother Lionel sponsored walk in aid of Reaching the Unreached will take place on

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 for this year's walk after each weekend Mass before the date so any help you can give, is very much appreciated.

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

HOLY HOUR INVITE AT CORPUS CHRISTI

You are invited to join us on Sunday 15th September at 3.00pm at Corpus Christi Church.

This time of adoration is in line with information from the Bishops' Conference inviting parishes throughout the country to hold a Holy Hour, to be in union with the 53rd International Eucharistic Congress in Quito, Ecuador from 8 – 15 September 2024.



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER



The Pope's September prayer intention: is "For the cry of the earth".

[CLICK HERE TO LISTEN TO IT.](#)

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 might be able to help.



AUGUST FINANCES.

The income for August was £7,370 and the outgoings were £9,174 making a deficit of £1,804.

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 following information.

Account - CDP St Joseph's Christchurch.

Account number - 00876292

Sort Code - 30-93-04

Thank you for your ongoing generosity.