



Immaculate Conception & St Joseph Parish

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15th and 16th November 2025: St Edmond of Abingdon, Bishop, Joint Principal of the Diocese
Sunday's readings: Jeremiah 1:4-9, 2 Corinthians 3:16a Gospel: John 21:15-17
Psalm from Psalm 96(95)

ST JOSEPH'S, CHRISTCHURCH (Including Mass Intentions)

Sat 15th **10:30am Annual Memorial Mass**
5pm Mass with confessions from 4pm to 4:45pm
 Rosemary Lynch RIP
 Sun 16th **9am Mass (livestreamed link [HERE](#))**
 Maureen Gage RIP
 Mon 17th **11am Rosary in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel**
 Tues 18th **9:30am – 10:30am Holy Hour with**
Morning Prayer at 10:15am
6pm Rosary followed by
6:30pm Mass
 Benno Dieler RIP
 Wed 19th **9:30am – 10:00 Adoration**
10:00 Mass
 People of the Parish
 Thurs 20th **6pm – 7pm Adoration**

PRIVATE PRAYER in the chapel: Tues – Fri 9:30am – 4pm.

HOLY REDEEMER, HIGHCLIFFE (Including Mass Intentions)

13 – 15 Kilminster Way, BH23 5BL 01425 274838

Sun 15th **11am Remembrance Mass**
 Mon 17th **11am – 2pm Adoration**
 Tues 18th **6:30pm – 7:30pm Adoration ending with**
Benediction
 Thurs 20th **10am Mass**
 Fri 21st **10am Mass followed by refreshments**

PRIVATE PRAYER: Daily 10am - 2pm



ST JOSEPH'S PARISH OFFICE - 01202 483340

The office is usually open Wednesday to Friday 08:30-16:30.

If you ring outside these hours with an urgent enquiry, please leave a message as all voicemails are picked up.
 Alternatively if your enquiry isn't urgent, please email office@icsj.org.uk and I will reply on my return.

REST IN PEACE

Please keep in your prayers Eddie Chick,
 Joyce Peckham and Andrew McQuade
 and any other anniversaries that occur at this time.
 May they all rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.



CELEBRATING ADVENT

This short season of preparation and reflection
 passes so quickly:

Join us for four Tuesday evening gatherings,
 from 7.30 - 9.00 pm, in the Parish Centre.
 (Refreshments will be available from 7 pm.)

Each session will focus on the readings of the following
 Sunday, with opportunities for silent reflection,
 sharing in groups and prayer.



Join others from our local parish communities
 as we prepare to celebrate Christmas.

This is not a course or series of talks
 and you do not have to sign up beforehand.....

Dates:

November 25th, December 2nd, 9th & 16th, 2025

GRAVE BLESSINGS

Dcn Richard will be blessing graves at
Bournemouth North Cemetery/Crematorium on
Saturday 22nd November at 10.30am
and at Christchurch Cemetery on
Saturday 29th November at 10.30am.

Fr Paul will be blessing graves on
Friday 14th November after 10am Mass
at Holy Redeemer, starting at St Mark's Highcliffe
and then going on to
Hinton Park Woodland Burial Ground.



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.





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, Baby Edward, Helen Pollard, Pat Feltham, Suzanne, Richard, Slawek Gawlik and family, John Michael Ryan, Anna and Raymondo Hubbard, Howard Wood, Carol Sneed, Maria Golding-Cooney, John Packer, Danny McQuillan, Anne-Marie Fletcher, Steven, Daphne Fish, Veronica Purchase, Winifred Phillips, Wrox Rehill, Daniel Hyatt, Michael O'Connell, Gutierrez family, Madeleine Rose Halston, Martin Sumner, James Gardiner, Jackie and Tim Knight and Fr John Chadwick.

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+

Thank you for your continued support.

Things have been quieter due to the roadworks these last couple of weeks, however we are still managing to deliver out to our most needy.

Christmas arrangements are underway and we are hearing of lots of groups and individuals who are collecting and making up the 'Reverse Advent' boxes for families. Thank you.

While Christmas goodies are fabulous, we still need our 'normal' flow of donations.

We are requesting tinned meat meals (curry, chilli, stew and pies), UHT milk cartons and tinned tomatoes please.

OFFICE CLOSED

Unfortunately the office will be closed on

Thursday 20th November

as Ursula and I

will be attending the annual PA forum.

Voicemails will be picked up so if you have an urgent enquiry, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Normal service will be resumed on Friday 21st!



THANKSGIVING CHARITY MASS

for volunteers involved with social action within the Diocese

at 10.30am on Sunday 15 November

at St Joseph's Church, Basingstoke.

Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Philip Egan on the World Day of the Poor.

For more information, including how to reserve a place, please see the poster in the porch.



DAY OF THE POOR

Sunday 16 November is the World Day of the Poor.

It's an opportunity for us all to reflect on charity and the needs of the poor.

To view a newsletter highlighting some of the charitable activity in the Diocese, including updates from Caritas, CAFOD, SVP, Stella Maris, Medaille Trust and parish projects, [CLICK HERE](#).

THANK YOU FROM CAFOD

We have just received a letter from CAFOD thanking St Joseph's for our latest donation of £191. A copy of the letter is on the porch noticeboard.

A DAY WITH MARY

Bournemouth Oratory, Richmond Hill,

Saturday 29th November 9:30am to 4:30pm.

Come along to a day of instruction, devotion and intercession based on the message given at Fatima in 1917.

For more information, please see the notice in the porch

or email adwmary.uk@gmail.com

UKRAINE APPEAL

Small ring pull tins are needed to make candles. Any candles, whether half burnt down or unwanted are also very welcome.

Please leave in the box marked Ukraine in the porch.



SANTA BAGS

What an amazing response - thank you to everyone who donated toys and gifts for the Christmas trip to the Ukraine.

Mike will be going with many bags of toys, so please know your donations will make such a difference to so many children and families.

We continue to keep Mike and the other volunteers in our prayers for the journey and a safe return home.



BRIC A BRAC BARGAINS!

Jigsaw puzzles £1 each throughout November.

Books 3 for £1. DVDs 10 for a £1.

Check out our varied stock.

Open Mon - Thurs 10am to 12 midday.



ST PETER'S SCHOOL

Please take a look at the information regarding the Consultation that St Peter's School is undertaking re proposed changes to the Admissions arrangements for entry from 2027-2028 onwards.

Copies of the proposed arrangements can be obtained from the school office or downloaded from the school website (Admissions/Appeals page).

The consultation period runs between

10 November and 22 December

and any comments should be sent to

Mrs S Wallace-Abbott, Clerk to the Governing Body, swo@st-peters.bournemouth.sch.uk

ADoRE

are hosting a morning of spiritual renewal on 22nd November from 10:00am to 1pm on Zoom.

Register in advance at bit.ly/ADORE22NOV2025

and more information at can be found by

[CLICKING HERE](#) or see the poster in the porch.

AMENDED DATE

Time at the Oasis (Ignatian Spirituality),

Saturday 22nd November at 11am

in the Memorial room at Corpus Christi, Boscombe.

We invite you to join us for Mass at 10am, and bring a packed lunch for a chat afterwards.

Also available on Zoom: please contact Jackie or Deacon Roger on 07948516854,

or email jcarrjones@icloud.com, for the zoom link and material. All welcome: no experience needed!

See poster in the porch.



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