



Immaculate Conception & St Joseph Parish

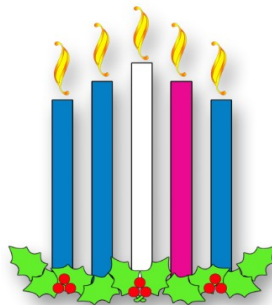
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Parish Office: Telephone: 01202 483340
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29th and 30th November 2025: First Sunday of Advent

Sunday's readings: Isaiah 2:1-5, Romans 13:11-14a Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44
Psalm from Psalm 122(121)

ST JOSEPH'S, CHRISTCHURCH (Including Mass Intentions)

Sat 29th **5pm Mass with confessions from 4pm to 4:45pm**
 Manual Bustelo – Vilas RIP
 Sun 30th **9am Mass (livestreamed link [HERE](#))**
 Dr Greta Fregedo RIP
 Mon 1st **11am Rosary in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel**
 Tues 2nd **9:30am – 10:30am Holy Hour with**
Morning Prayer at 10:15am
6pm Rosary followed by
6:30pm Mass
 Wed 3rd **9:30am – 10:00 Adoration**
10:00 Mass
 R Proctor's private intention
 Thurs 4th **6pm – 7pm Adoration**

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

HOLY REDEEMER, HIGHCLIFFE (Including Mass Intentions)

13 – 15 Kilmington Way, BH23 5BL 01425 274838
 Sun 30th **11am Mass**

Mon 1st **11am – 2pm Adoration**
 Tues 2nd **6:30pm – 7:30pm Adoration ending with**
Benediction
 Thurs 4th **10am Mass**
 People of the Parish
 Fri 5th **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 Joseph Martin,
 Robert Finn, Shelagh O'Callaghan and
 Dorothy Adams and any other anniversaries
 that occur at this time.
 May they all rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Weds 24th Dec 4pm - Family Vigil Mass;
6pm - We join with our brothers and sisters

at Holy Redeemer for carols,
followed by Mass at 6:30pm.

Thurs 25th Dec 9am Mass –

The Nativity of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Tues 26th Dec 10am – The Feast of St Stephen.

We invite all at Holy Redeemer

to join us as we celebrate this very special
Mass together.



GRAVE BLESSINGS

Dcn Richard will be blessing graves at
Christchurch Cemetery on
Saturday 29th November at 10.30am.



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:

December 2nd, 9th & 16th, 2025



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Evening of Reflection led by Father Paul
on Thursday 4th December at 7.30pm in the Church.
 Each year when we are re commissioned, we promise to
 attend a time of reflection and Father Paul is offering
 us this opportunity to reflect on our ministry.
 Looking forward to seeing you all then.



PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please keep the following people in your prayers, especially at this time:

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, Pam Quinn, 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 and faithful support.
Drivers needed please. We are delivering full turkey dinners and goodie hampers to those in our communities identified by local authorities on Monday Dec 22nd 12-2pm.

If you would like to be blessed while delivering for us please call 07587371088 or email admin@christchurchfb.faith-works.org.uk. Thank you
Our needs this week are Christmas goodies, UHT milk, tinned ravioli and meatballs, tea and coffee.
Thank you so much and blessings in advance

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH CENTRE

Please put the word out to friends and family that our lovely parish centre is available to hire most weekends.

The current price is £17ph for the hall and £12ph for the small meeting rooms.

There are leaflets in the porch as well as information on our website
<https://www.avonstour.co.uk/parishes/icsj/parish-centre/> or **CLICK HERE.**

Enquires can be made by calling the office or by emailing bookings@icsj.org.uk



ST PETER'S SCHOOL

St Peter's School is undertaking a consultation regarding 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 until the 22 December and any comments should be sent to Mrs S Wallace-Abbott, Clerk to the Governing Body, swo@st-peters.bournemouth.sch.uk

CAROLS BY THE CRIB

Sunday 21st December at 3:30pm

Just as we did last year, we are looking to celebrate Christmas with some carol singing around the crib in church.

Whatever you feel about your singing voice, please do come along, you really would be most welcome.
Coffee and mince pies in the hall afterwards.



RECONCILIATION SERVICE

During this year's Advent period, there will be a reconciliation service here on **Thursday 18th December starting at 7pm.**

Please come along to this beautiful celebration of the word of God and avail yourself to the sacrament of reconciliation during this very special time of the year.



WOMEN'S RETREAT DAY

29th November 9:30am to 4pm

Sacred Heart, Waterlooville PO7 7SR.
More information on the poster in the porch.

ST PETER'S COMMUNITY CHOIR YULETIDE VOICES

Sunday 30th November at 3pm
De La Salle Theatre, St Peters School, Southbourne.

Email stpcchoir1@gmail.com or see the poster in the porch.



BECKY'S COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNINGS

Every Thursday between 11am and 12:30pm.
Free hot drinks and home made cakes, so why not come along and meet old friends and make new ones.

A guaranteed warm welcome to all.
For more information, please contact Rosie 07762 315288.



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



FRIENDLY HOUSEGROUP

3rd Monday of each month. BH7 6QH (115) 7-9pm.

What a great way to meet other parishioners.

Tel. Claire Riche-Gallet 01202 423431 for more information. Do come and join us.

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.



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

