

# NEWSLETTER

## SATURDAY 14th to FRIDAY 20<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2026

### Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### **HOLY REDEEMER CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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**Part of Bournemouth-Christchurch Pastoral Area**

**HOLY REDEEMER HIGHCLIFFE**

**Sun 15<sup>th</sup>** 11am Mass

**Mon 16<sup>th</sup>** 10am-2pm Adoration

**Wed 18<sup>th</sup>** 6pm Mass Ash Wednesday

**Thur 19<sup>th</sup>** 10am Mass with confession

**Fri 20<sup>th</sup>** 9.45am Rosary  
10am Mass  
Followed by refreshments  
11.15am Bible Study  
3pm Stations of the Cross

**St JOSEPH'S CHRISTCHURCH**

**Sat 14<sup>th</sup>** 5pm Mass confession from 4pm  
Michael Don Levy RIP

**Sun 15<sup>th</sup>** 9am Mass  
Mary and Peter McKeown RIP

**Mon 16<sup>th</sup>** 11am Rosary

**Tues 17<sup>th</sup>** 9.30am-10.30am Holy Hour and morning prayer  
6.30pm Mass  
Fr Ramon Prat I Pons RIP

**Wed 18<sup>th</sup>** 9.30am-10am Adoration  
10am Mass Ash Wednesday  
Antonio Castrondeza RIP

**Thur 19<sup>th</sup>** 6pm-7pm Adoration

#### **PRIVATE PRAYER**

**HOLY REDEEMER DAILY 10am-2pm**

**ST JOSEPH'S Monday and Tuesday 9.30am-4pm**

**PSALM** *Blessed are those who walk in the law of the LORD!*

**ANNIVERSARIES** Mary Jenkins, Anne Eaton, Laura Durrant, Mgr Peter Lawlor, Patricia Grisdale, Tadeusz Lilpop, Finbarr Patrick Ramsay, William Lewis and Catherine Tindal.

**ASH WEDNESDAY** Times of Ash Wednesday Masses across the Bournemouth-Christchurch Pastoral Area can be found online at [www.avonstour.co.uk/parishes/icsj](http://www.avonstour.co.uk/parishes/icsj)

**MISSIO BOX HOLDERS** Our parish promoters will be collecting your Red Boxes during February. They will also be distributing Novena Prayer Cards and Mass Petitions for the upcoming National Novena dedicated to St Joseph. No money is required, simply return your petition slip to your promoter or the parish office.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READERS DAYS** Please see the noticeboard for details of the 2026 dates.

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**DCN RICHARD'S "MASS OF JOYFUL HOPE"** A Mass setting composed by Dcn Richard Martin has now been approved for liturgical use by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales Department for Christian Life and Worship. Richard's Mass of Joyful Hope was originally completed in 2014 and has been used very successfully since then in St Joseph's, Christchurch, undergoing minor 'tweaks' on the way and getting it in a suitable form for submission for approval. The Mass is written for Melody/Guitar, so has melody and chords, but not full piano/organ score. The sheet music, which you can download and use FREE of charge, as well as basic audio files to help with learning, are now available on Richard's website RM Creative ([www.rm-creative.uk](http://www.rm-creative.uk)), where you can also find a few of his other compositions and even some poems! Richard is willing to hold a session locally to teach the music in person if that is helpful – please contact him if you would be interested (via his website above or email [rmartin@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:rmartin@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk))

**RETROUVAILLE Marriage Week** For some couples - St Valentine's Day is a day of celebration but sadly not for others. We thank and pray for those who have followed their marriage vocation but also ask for the intercession of The Holy Spirit for those that need extra support as they negotiate challenges such as parenting, caring for elderly family members, life changes, sickness and ageing.

**LENTEN LUNCHESES with REFLECTION** will begin on THURSDAY 26th February from 11am, and each Thursday during Lent. We begin with a Lenten reflection followed by a soup and rolls lunch. Please sign the list in the porch if you are able to provide soup and rolls at any of the lunches. Thank you.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER Friday 6th March 2pm.** This year Holy Redeemer are hosting this Ecumenical service which has been put together by the women of Nigeria.... very appropriate as our own Fr Paul is Nigerian! It promises to be an uplifting and spiritual event. So please put it in your diary and bring your friends.

**BINGO AFTERNOON.** TUESDAY 21st April 2-4pm. More details to follow.

**A JIGSAW SALE** is planned for **9th May** of this year. If you have any unwanted jigsaws at home, please think of donating them to us as soon as possible as this will give us time to complete them in time for the sale. We also require quantities of cardboard on which to assemble the jigsaws and then display them at the sale. If you are having any sizeable deliveries which arrive in cardboard boxes, please consider donating the boxes to the church, preferably flattened first.

**FRIENDSHIP GROUPS - HELD IN THE ANNEX Knit and Natter.** Sessions take place on Wednesday afternoons, 2-4pm.

**PARISH GIVING** Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> envelopes £126, loose £244. Thank you for your generosity. Online donations can also be made by bank transfer, Standing Order or Direct Debit to account number 00879968, sort code 30 93 04, CDP Highcliffe.

**CHRISTCHURCH FOODBANK+** Christchurch Foodbank+ We need your help! Our shelves are looking very sparse. Please, if you can, add a tin or packet to your shopping and either drop it in the box at Sainsburys or Waitrose OR drop it into your church or directly to us. **WE ARE IN NEED** of: Rice, Pasta sauce jars, tinned carrots and peas, tinned fruit, tinned Ravioli, mac 'n' cheese, meatballs and tinned meat meals (chilli, curry, stew etc) and UHT milk cartons.