



Immaculate Conception & St Joseph Parish

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11th and 12th March 2026: Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)
*Sunday's readings: Acts 2:42-47, 1 Peter 1:3-9 Gospel: John 20:19-31
Psalm from Psalm 117(118)*

ST JOSEPH'S, CHRISTCHURCH (Including Mass Intentions)

Sat 11th **5pm Mass with confessions from 4pm to 4:45pm**
Angela Murphy RIP
Sun 12th **9am Mass (livestreamed link [HERE](#))**
David Flynn RIP Anniversary Mass
Bill Jackson RIP Anniversary Mass
Mon 13th **11am Rosary in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel**
Tues 14th **9:30am – 10:30am Holy Hour with Morning Prayer at 10:15am**
6pm Rosary followed by 6:30pm Mass
Judy Harland RIP
Wed 15th **9:30am – 10am Adoration**
10am Mass
Eoin and Nuala Carton
Thurs 16th **6pm – 7pm Adoration**

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

HOLY REDEEMER, HIGHCLIFFE (Including Mass Intentions)

13 – 15 Kilmington Way, BH23 5BL 01425 274838
Sun 12th **11am Mass**
Carlos Cirilo Perez RIP
Mon 13th **10am to 2pm Adoration**
Thurs 16th **12noon Funeral Mass for Gislaine Woods RIP**
Fri 17th **10pm Mass**
People of the Parish

PRIVATE PRAYER: Daily 10am - 2pm

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH OFFICE - 01202 483340

The office is normally open Wednesday to Friday 8:30am to 4pm.



If you have 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.

A BIG THANK YOU

to everyone who has helped to make our Easter celebrations so special. There has been such a huge amount of time, effort and commitment given; the choirs, musicians, sacristans, cleaners, repository helpers, the altar servers and leads, children's liturgy leaders and teams, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, chapel openers, flower arrangers, welcomers and stewards, the 'tech' team, and of course Fr Paul and Richard... the list goes on and indeed on.

Bless you all and if anyone is missed out, apologies but please know that all the hard work is greatly appreciated.

If I may indulge a little.....

can I thank everyone who has supported me, popped into the office, offered help and advice, given hugs when needed, listened to my moaning (at times), and generally just been fantastic. Bless you and thanks - couldn't do it without you.

Wendy



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



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, Peter Mattimoe, 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, Daphne Fish, John Atkins, Brother Cyril, Veronica Purchase, Winifred Phillips, Wrox Rehill, Michael O'Connell, Gutierrez family, Martin Sumner, Madeleine Rose Halston, Jackie and Tim Knight, Fr John Chadwick, Elaine Carr and family and Moira McClelland.

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.

REST IN PEACE



Please keep in your prayers

John Benson, Maria Perkins, Theresa Wilcox, Evelyn Fitzpatrick, Christopher Norris, Carol Ann Rochester, Tom Gaffney and Sam Bartlett

and any other anniversaries that occur at this time. May they all rest in peace and rise in glory.

BARN DANCE – SAVE THE DATE AND GET YOUR TICKETS EARLY

The Social Committee is working hard arranging our next social event.

Please, if you are able, come along, support and have a great deal of fun.

Saturday 9th May.

Doors open at 6pm and the dance starts at 7pm. Tickets £12 – on sale after both weekend Masses.

There are limited tickets available due to number restrictions in the hall.

Please contact Ann Marie for more information if needed.

Bring your own food and refreshments.

Live Band – Murphy's Lore.



ADoRE – EXCITING NEWS

We are delighted to be hosting this Charismatic Catholic event live on **Saturday 25th April from 10am to 3pm.**

The day includes Mass, Adoration, Praise & Worship, Prayer, Reconciliation and an inspiring talk by Geoff Poulter.

Everyone is welcome:

in person or via livestream.

Full details at www.avonstour.co.uk/adore

Poster in the porch with more information.

BECKY'S COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNINGS IS OPEN EVERY THURSDAY BETWEEN

11am and 12:30pm.

All most welcome.

For more information,

contact Nuala on 01202 253897.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION PROGRAMME IS NOW OPEN.

The 10-week programme is open to children in Year 3 and above, who have already been Baptised and wish to take their First Holy Communion this year. Weekly sessions will take place after 9am Sunday Mass alongside sessions for parents.

We begin on Sunday 19th April and the course culminates in our

First Holy Communion Mass on Sunday 21st June.

For further information and enrolment forms, please contact Juliette at FHC@icsj.org.uk



BRIC A BRAC SPECIAL OPENINGS

The bric a brac shop will be open after Mass (10am to 11am)

on Sunday 12th April and Sunday 19th April.

Watch out for Sunday special offer cards and all proceeds go directly to St Joseph's!



CAFOD THANK YOU

CAFOD has sent us '2 thank you's'.

One for the donation of £644-50 and one for the amount of £639-20.

Please see poster in the porch.

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.



SUPER SPRING SWISH CLOTHES SWAP

Saturday 25th April 10:30am to 12noon.

Immanuel Church,

120 Southbourne Rd, BH6 3QJ.

£2 entry (includes free raffle ticket).

Bring up to 10 items of ladies clothes.

'Your coat could buy a goat'

All proceeds in aid of CAFOD.

See notice in the porch.

ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY TREK 2026

On Saturday May 2nd,

I will be doing the 13 mile walk near Stonehenge to raise funds on behalf of families and relatives who are experiencing this disease.

If you would like to support my efforts,

please [CLICK HERE](#) for my just giving page

or see the poster in the porch

Thank you. Allan 07782968593

VOCATIONS

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

"Peace be with you."

We pray for those who bring Christ's peace through the priesthood, honouring and supporting them in their vocation.

If you sense a call to this ministry of mercy, take time to explore God's plan for you.

Talk to your priest or contact

Cn. John Cooke.

vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

or call 01329 318 869.

