

# Immaculate Conception & St Joseph Parish

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Wednesday - Friday 8:30am – 4:30pm

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## 6th and 7th June 2026: Corpus Christi (The Body and Blood of Christ)

Sunday's readings: Deuteronomy 8:2-3,14-16, 1 Corinthians 10:16-17 Gospel: John 6:51-58  
Psalm from Psalm 147

### ST JOSEPH'S, CHRISTCHURCH (Including Mass Intentions)

Sat 6th **5pm Mass with confessions from 4pm to 4:45pm**

Gordon Bascombe RIP

Sun 7th **9am Family Mass (livestreamed link [HERE](#))**

Tony and Liz Groom

Mon 8th **11am Rosary in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel**

Tues 9th **9:30am – 10:30am Holy Hour with**

**Morning Prayer at 10:15am**

**6pm Rosary followed by**

**6:30pm Mass**

Marilyn Seabrooke RIP

Wed 10th **9:30am – 10am Adoration**

**10am Mass**

Thurs 11th **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 7th **11am Mass**

Veronica Brown RIP

Mon 8th **10am to 2pm Adoration**

Thurs 11th **10am Mass**

People of the Parish

Fri 12th **10am Mass**

**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](mailto:office@icsj.org.uk) and I will reply on my return.

### REST IN PEACE

Please keep in your prayers

Graham Price, Denis and Roseanna Flynn,

Chas Clark, Mirian Cook, Ellen Smart,

William and Doris Wood, Ron Lesley, Harold Fenn,

Walter Davies and Gordon Bascombe

and any other anniversaries

that occur at this time.

May they all rest in peace and rise in glory.



### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Father Paul will re commission all Ministers during the Masses of the Feast of Corpus Christi, this weekend.



### DATABASE AND E-NEWSLETTER UPDATE

Missing your regular Parish e-newsletter?

Want an update on the move to a new database?

Deacon Richard will now speak with the Parish over the weekend of 13th and 14th June.

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY DATES

Please note the dates for Children's Liturgy sessions.

They will resume

on Sunday 14th June and then continue on 28th June, and 12th and 19th July.

They will then restart after the summer holidays on Sunday 19th September.



### REPOSITORY IN PARISH CENTRE THIS SUNDAY

There will be an opportunity for gifts and cards to be purchased by parents and friends of First Holy Communion children.

Please come along after Mass and look at our variety of religious items to mark this most special occasion.

### THINKING OF LEAVING A LEGACY OR PLANNING YOUR FUNERAL

In the porch are some sample leaflets from the Diocese regarding the sensitive subject of planning a funeral and making/revisiting a will.

If you would like any of this information, please visit <https://portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/legacy> or **CLICK HERE**.

### NEW PASTORAL AREA WEBSITE

We now have a website for our new Pastoral Area to collate and share information about the 8 parishes. It is still in the early stages of development, so please continue to visit over the coming weeks and months.

The web address is: [www.bccatholics.uk](http://www.bccatholics.uk)



## PRAYER INTENTIONS

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

**Kevin Curtis, Anne Crane, 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, 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, Michael Bonard, Mike Gage 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.

### CHRISTCHURCH FOODBANK+

**We are still in need of tinned meat meals, chilli, curry and stew, tinned fruit, custard and savoury snacks (crackers, crisps etc).**

Our good news this week is one filled with HOPE.

One of our gentleman has been living in a tent for 6+ months and despite following the system, attending appointments and doing everything he could, he was still there, in a tent.



He now attends Church every Sunday, has helped us out at some of our projects and built trust in us when we said 'it will happen'.

Well it has, he was offered a place last week. His positivity has returned, he has said goodbye to his old life and hello to his new, wants to return to work now he has an address.

CFB+ will guide and assist him with paying bills, financial resilience, general life skills and support him on this new chapter of his journey until he no longer needs us. Amen and Thank you Lord.

### OUR PARISH – COME AND SEE

Last weekend, Dcn Richard spoke about how our Parish, which is 160 years old this year, has been built on the sacrifices, faithfulness and courage of many people.

(You can listen to what he said by **CLICKING HERE** or via our webpage)

This continues today – the beating heart of our parish is the people who give so much, often unseen and unknown and unappreciated by many. Thank you all so much!

**To celebrate and learn more about the many activities and ministries that make our Parish what it is, an event will take place in our Parish Centre**

**on Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th July – more details to follow in due course.**



Meanwhile, please pray:

- Giving thanks for all those who have given and do give their time, gifts and skills to build our wonderful Parish community

- Asking the Holy Spirit to help you understand how God may be calling you to play your part today

**If you lead or organise any activity or ministry connected with our Parish, please make sure the office has your name, the activity you lead and your contact details –**

**Theresa Martin and her team**

**will then be in touch to let you know more about how you can promote your activity on 4th and 5th July.**

### “HOLDING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE IN PRAYER”

Exam season can be a challenging time for our young people and St Peter's School would like to invite you to support their exam students through your prayers please.

How? It's easy: look out for a bowl with slips in, each with the first name of either a

Year 11 or Year 13 student on it then please randomly pick a slip and keep that student in your prayers.

We'd also like to offer you the opportunity to write a message of support to your student (or to them all collectively) – just collect a blank slip from the other bowl, write your message and pop it back in the second bowl.



The school will collect the slips for the students to read.

### LATEST UKRAINE APPEAL

Mike will again be taking a van to Ukraine at the beginning of July.



The following items are urgently needed.

- **Wet wipes (check that there is no alcohol content)**
  - Bandages or sterile dressings.
- **NOTE ANY MEDICINES NEED TO BE IN DATE**
- **White cotton sheets - these will be torn up to make bandages**
  - Male/female toiletries
  - Baby food/formula baby nappies

PLEASE NOTE - no clothes are needed for this trip.

**Closing date for items to be left in the box in the porch marked “UKRAINE”, is 21st June.**

If you would like to support this appeal by donating cash, or have any queries

please contact Ann-Marie on 01202 436488.

### THANK YOU

The young people would like to say a big **THANK YOU** for your generosity in making their very successful pilgrimage to Lourdes possible.

NYPD4CHRIST New Young Positive Disciples for Christ

### ALPHA IS BACK! WHO COULD YOU INVITE....?



Are you, or is someone you know, looking for greater meaning in your life?

Do you/they want to find out more about what being a Christian is about?

Would you like to get to know more people in the church?

**To help answer these and many other questions, we will be running Alpha again this Autumn Term. Tuesday evenings – some in person, some online.**

Watch this space for more details...

**Please think who you could invite.**

### CAFOD PETITION UPDATE

**Many, many thanks to all of you who signed the CAFOD petition in church or on line last weekend.**

Towards the end of this year

the UK takes over the presidency of the G20.

This places our government in an excellent position to encourage urgent action regarding the global debt crisis.

By signing the petition you will have made a massive contribution to the campaign.

Well done St Joseph's Parish! God bless. Maureen T.

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.**

