



Immaculate Conception & St Joseph Parish

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Part of Bournemouth – Christchurch Pastoral Area



Parish Office: Telephone: 01202 483340

Wednesday - Friday 8:30am – 4:30pm

Please leave a voicemail if there is no reply.

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Parish Administrator: Wendy Wadsworth

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Safeguarding:

Please contact the office

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Please contact accounts

First Holy Communion enquiries:

email: FHC@icsj.org.uk

Hospital Chaplains:

Bournemouth: 0300 019 4221

Poole: 0300 019 2167

Christchurch: 0300 019 5111

8th and 9th August 2026: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday readings: 1 Kings 19:9a,11-13a, Romans 9:1-5 Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

Psalm 85(84)

ST JOSEPH'S, CHRISTCHURCH (Including Mass Intentions)

Sat 8th **5pm Mass with confessions from 4pm to 4:45pm**

Doger Lebon RIP

Sun 9th **9am Mass (livedreamed link [HERE](#))**

Noel McKeown RIP Anniversary Mass

Mon 10th **N/B THERE WILL BE NO ROSARY DURING AUG**

Tues 11th **6:30pm Mass**

Fr Ramon Prat I Pons

Wed 12th **10am Mass**

Thurs 13th **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 9th **11am Mass**

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

Thurs 13th **10am Mass**

Fri 14th **10am Mass**

PRIVATE PRAYER: Daily 10am - 2pm



ST JOSEPH'S PARISH OFFICE - 01202 483340

The office is usually open between Wednesday and Friday 8:30am to 4pm.

If you have an urgent enquiry, please leave a message as all voicemails are picked up even when the office is closed.

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

Gordon Davis, Angela Gaffney, Eileen Hyatt,

Margaret Donohoe, Anthony Whelan,

Eddie Cash, Rev John Dunne,

Noel McKeown, Pat McManus, Eva Burford

And Philip Veglio

and any other anniversaries

that occur at this time.

May they all rest in peace and rise in glory.



PAUSE HOLY HABITS

With the school holidays coming up, we will be pausing the Holy Habits that we encourage.

This means that there will be no Monday Rosary

or Tuesday Holy Hour and Rosary.

All will return to normal after the school holidays.



EXPLORE LIFE, EXPLORE FAITH

COME TO ALPHA

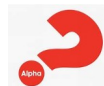
Taster Evening

Tuesday 15th Sept 7:30pm to 9:15pm

in the Parish Centre.

Who could you invite?

For details visit www.bccatholics.uk/alpha



ANNUAL LEAVE AND THE NEWSLETTER

I will be on annual leave for 2 weeks starting

Monday 17th August 2026.

With this in mind, next week's newsletter will cover

3 weeks, the weeks of

16th/17th August, 23rd/24th August and 29th/30th August.

Should you want anything added to the newsletter

for these weeks, could I ask you to get it to me by

Wednesday 12th August midday.

Thank you. Wendy.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

will be back on Sunday 19th September.

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, 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, Deacon Richard, Michael Bonard and Mike Gage.

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+

School holidays are here and are a very busy time for us.

If you can help we need-



**soup, meatballs, tinned carrots and sweetcorn,
tinned tomatoes, pasta sauce jars,
hot dog sausages,
tinned meat meals (stew, curry, chilli), biscuits
and custard. Thank you and blessings.**

BECKY'S COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING

**Unfortunately because of a lack of volunteers,
Becky's Cafe will be closed
throughout the month of August.**



Alternatively, if you are able to volunteer and support this most precious part of St Joseph's, please do let the office know.

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME

Hugo Jaeger Holmes

who was baptised here this week.

We welcome you and your family, Annelies and Joshua into the Parish of St Joseph.



PARISH SHOWCASE

If you missed the recent Parish Showcase, you really missed a treat.

You can still be involved - brochures and forms are available at www.avonstour.co.uk/parishes/icsj and some paper copies at the back of church.

NEW DATABASE REMINDER

If you haven't completed the new registration form, please do consider it.

It really is very simple and doesn't take long.

If you have any concerns, please do contact Wendy and she will complete it with you.

Without a new registration and as we haven't been able to keep old registrations, the Parish doesn't have any contact details for you so should you need a priest, we may not be able get in touch.

The links and QR codes for both the adult and the child registration forms (please use the correct one) can be found on the many posters around St Joseph's or by visiting the website at www.avonstour.co.uk/parishes/icsj or by CLICKING HERE

CHAPLAINCY ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT ROLE

St Peter's school are looking for a part-time admin assistant. 18 hours a week; term time only.

More details on the school website:

www.st-peters.bournemouth.sch.uk

(look at 'school information...staff vacancies').

Closing date 8am 3rd Sept.

ADORE SPIRITUAL MINI RETREAT

22nd August 10am to 1pm on Zoom.

Register in advance at bit.ly/ADOREAUG2026

STELLA MARIS

We have just received a letter thanking the Parish for the generous donation of £231-15 given on Sea Sunday this year.

ST PETERS COMMUNITY CHOIR

DO YOU ENJOY SINGING?

Open 'taster' evening

for Basses and Tenors on

Tuesday 22nd September.

Email stpcchoir1@gmail.com

or call Terry on 07979591410.



CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BOSCOMBE

FREE EVENT

'King's Praise in King's Park'

on Saturday 8th August 4pm to 7pm.

Come and join us.

Next to King's Park Leisure and Learning Centre.

An evening of praise and fun with activities for children.

Bring a picnic!

Bring a friend! All welcome.



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.



UKRAINE APPEAL

Mike has recently returned safely from Ukraine and all the last donations, so kindly given, were gratefully received and much needed.

Mike visited the main burns hospital and witnessed the horrific burns to people of all ages due to the increased drone activities.

They are now desperate for more sterile dressings and bandages to be able to cope with this current crisis.

Mike is aiming to go back in September and the medical relief workers have identified the following items needed:

**Sterile dressings and bandages,
White cotton sheets that will be torn up to make bandages,
Medicines eg paracetamol (but must be in date),
Wet wipes (check there is no alcohol content),
Male and female toiletries,
baby food/formula and nappies.**

If you are unable to provide any of the above but would like to support the appeal, cash donations to help with transport costs can be given to Ann-Marie or the office.

There is a box marked Ukraine Appeal in the porch.

If you have any other enquiries please contact Ann-Marie Bridle 01202 463488.

