



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.

Office email office@icsj.org.uk

Parish Administrator: Wendy Wadsworth

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Finance Officer: Ursula Cook

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email: bookings@icsj.org.uk



Safeguarding:

Please contact the office

Gift Aid: Brigid Hincks

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

19th and 20th September 2026: Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday readings: Isaiah 55:6-9, Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

Psalms 145(144)

ST JOSEPH'S, CHRISTCHURCH (Including Mass Intentions)

Sat 19th **5pm Mass with confessions from 4pm to 4:45pm**

Ray Dunne RIP Anniversary Mass

Tommy and Mary Brosnam and family

Sun 20th **9am Mass (livestreamed link [HERE](#))**

David Flynn RIP Anniversary Mass

Maureen Gage RIP Anniversary Mass

Mon 21st **11am Rosary in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel**

Tues 22nd **6:30pm Liturgy of the Word with Communion**

Wed 23rd **9:30am – 10am Adoration**

10am Mass

Jimmy McGill RIP

Thurs 24th **6pm – 7pm Adoration**

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

HOLY REDEEMER, HIGHCLIFFE (Including Mass Intentions)

13 – 15 Kilminster Way, BH23 5BL 01425 274838

Sun 20th **11am Mass**

Edmund Grandhaie RIP

Mon 21st **10am to 2pm Adoration**

Thurs 17th **10am Liturgy of the Word with Communion**

Fri 25th **10am Mass**

Sarah Abbott RIP

PRIVATE PRAYER: Daily 10am - 2pm

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH OFFICE - 01202 483340

The office is usually 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.



SECOND COLLECTION - HOME MISSION SUNDAY

is the day parishes are asked to pray for the work of evangelisation and to support this vital work through a second collection. On Home Mission Sunday, the bishops of England and Wales ask the faithful of our countries to look for ways in which we can all do our part in sharing the beauty and joy of knowing Jesus Christ.

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to donate.

ALPHA - LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP!

Deadline for signing up to this term's Alpha

is end of the day

Sunday 20th September.

Sign up online at www.bccatholics.uk/alpha,

or by scanning the QR code

on the poster/flyer,

or by completing the paper form

at the back of church

and popping it in the Alpha box.

Who could you encourage to come?

Alpha is a great way to explore life's questions, develop your own faith and get to know more people in the parish family.

Full details online here: www.bccatholics.uk/alpha

PLEASE PRAY OVER THE COMING WEEKS

FOR THE SUCCESS OF THIS ALPHA.



WOMENS PRAYER, MEDITATION AND REFLECTION GROUP.

Wednesday night every 4 weeks commencing

21st October 6:30pm to 7:30pm in

Peter's room in the Parish Centre.

Reading material: 'Awaken My Heart'

by Emily Wilson Hassem.

The book can be purchased from

<https://amzn.eu/d/0h8HOt1T>

Please contact Simone on 07929239700

for any queries.



CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY

Friday 2nd October.



A wonderful opportunity to put our faith into action by supporting our global neighbours this Harvest season.

There will be CAFOD rep's at the Masses on Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th September to highlight this year's appeal.

Envelopes will be given out although online donations are always encouraged.



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, April Jane 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.



REST IN PEACE

Please keep in your prayers

Ray Dunne, John Hyatt,

Elizabeth Tucker, David Flynn, Fiona Howells,
and Maureen Gage

and any other anniversaries that occur at this time.

May they all rest in peace and rise in glory.

CHRISTCHURCH FOODBANK+

Thank you for your continued support
and please consider supporting us if you can.

We are now approaching Harvest and
you can find 'Harvest Bags' in the porch.

Please if you are able, fill these and return them to the
porch so we can help the Foodbank+
to refill their shelves.



**Our needs are tins of soup,
tins of tomatoes, pasta sauce jars, tins of carrots and
sweetcorn, and biscuits please.**

GRANDPARENTS' ASSOCIATION

Next meeting is **Wednesday 23rd September**
in the Parish Centre after the 10am Mass.

We usually meet every 4th Wednesday of the month.

**For more information contact Ann-Marie
on 01202 463488.**

NEW DATABASE REMINDER

If you have any concerns about completing the forms,
please do contact Wendy and she will help you out.
As we haven't been able to keep old registrations, should
you need a priest, we may not be able to get in touch.

**The links and QR codes for both the adult and the
child registration forms 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****

DIOCESE ENEWS

Why not get the Diocesan enews,
a weekly digital newsletter full of news from the Diocese
as well as a range of stories,
teaching, events, tips and lots more.



CLICK HERE for more information.

JOB VACANCIES AT THE DIOCESE

For information about the latest
job vacancies please
CLICK HERE.



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.

BECKY'S CAFE

We are now up and running after our summer break, and
welcoming all members of our parish and community.

**From 1st October, our opening times will change
slightly to 11.30 am to 1.30 pm, every Thursday.**

This is because we will be offering soup and bread,
alongside our current offering of sandwiches,
fruit and cake.



We also hope to reach out to more of the
most needy in our community
(in addition to our other guests),

by remaining open after the Food Bank closes.
We are also strengthening supportive links with
Christchurch Support Kabin.

Please come and join us on Thursdays-
we want Becky's Cafe to be a living reflection
of our church where all sorts of
connections and friendships are made.

**For more information or if you can help in any way,
please contact**

Nuala on 07594 238187.



UKRAINE APPEAL -

**Items needed for the next trip:
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 and
warm winter clothing.**

Please leave in the Ukraine box in the porch.

If you would like to make a cash donation to help with
transport costs, or if you have any other enquiries
please contact Ann-Marie Bridle 01202 463488.

SUPPORT THE PARISH

NEW STOCK IN THE REPOSITORY

We now have St Carlo Acutis prayer cards, rosaries,
small gifts, Christmas cards, Advent Calendars,
diaries, and assorted books for children.

Please come and support us
with all profits going to our parish. Thank you.

RTU-REACHING THE UNREACHED

This yr's sponsored walk in aid of
Reaching the Unreached will take place on
**Sunday 4th October at Poole Park, leaving
St Mary's Church in Poole at 11am
and starting at The Ark at 11:30am**

Last year we raised a magnificent £5,300 between the
10 churches in BCP and this yr as usual we will be
collecting for this sponsored walk at Masses in the
proceeding weekends.

**For more information ring John Duffy on 07746169601
or Mo Houlden on 01425 657321.**