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Iford Parish ✠ Bournemouth ADMA ✠ Bournemouth LMS ✠ Bournemouth OLW ✠ Bournemouth SPUC

WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR SUNDAY 30 AUGUST 2026 ✠ SUNDAY CYCLE A ✠ WEEKDAY CYCLE II

§ EVENT DATE TIME § TYPE Legend VOE:Vetus Ordo English (Anglican Use/Ordinariate) | VOL: Vetus Ordo Latin (Traditional Latin)

Sat 29 Aug '26 18.00: Sunday Mass Vigil ✠ ORDINARY TIME XXII ✠ MI Paddy m Merville Pidgeon (RIP 2003/2018)
Sun 30 Aug '26 09.30: Sunday Mass ✠ ORDINARY TIME XXII ✠ MI Thomas Phillips (H&WB)
11.00: VOE Sunday Mass ✠ TRINITY XIII ≡ ORDINARY TIME XXII ✠ MI Pro populo
12.30: VOL Sunday Mass ✠ PENTECOST XIV ≡ Dominica XIV Post Pentecosten
Tue 1 Sep '26 19.30: Parochial Meeting ✠ Pastoral Council ✠ → Meeting Link
Wed 2 Sep '26 09.30: VOE Weekday Mass ✠ Trinitytide XIII:Wed ✠ MI David Michael Byrne (RIP 2025)
18.00: Hospital Mass ✠ Ord Time XXII:Wed ✠ → Royal Bournemouth Hospital
Fri 4 Sep '26 09.30: Weekday Mass ✠ Ord Time XXII:Fri ✠ MI David m Jo Cassidy (FM 2010/2015)
Sat 5 Sep '26 17.00: Devotion ✠ Bournemouth ADMA Chapter First Saturday Reparation
18.00: Sunday Mass Vigil ✠ ORDINARY TIME XXIII
Sun 6 Sep '26 09.30: Sunday Mass ✠ ORDINARY TIME XXIII
11.00: VOE Sunday Mass ✠ TRINITY XIV ≡ ORDINARY TIME XXIII ✠ MI Ralph m Barbara Anthony (FM 2017/2009)
12.30: VOL Sunday Mass ✠ PENTECOST XV ≡ Dominica XV Post Pentecosten
Wed 9 Sep '26 09.30: VOE Weekday Mass ✠ Trinitytide XIV:Wed ✠ MI Frederick m Edwidge Rising (FM 2011/2023)
Fri 11 Sep '26 09.30: Weekday Mass ✠ Ord Time XXIII:Fri ✠ MI Anthony Andrews (FM d 24 Sep 1992)
Sat 12 Sep '26 18.00: Sunday Mass Vigil ✠ ORDINARY TIME XXIV
Sun 13 Sep '26 09.30: Sunday Mass ✠ ORDINARY TIME XXIV
11.00: VOE Sunday Mass ✠ TRINITY XV
Wed 16 Sep '26 09.30: VOE Weekday Mass ✠ Ss Cornelius, Pope, & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs
Fri 18 Sep '26 09.30: Weekday Mass ✠ Ord Time XXIV:Fri
Fri 18 Sep '26 13.00: Meeting ✠ BCPA Clergy ✠ → Our Lady Queen of Peace and Bl Margaret Pole Southbourne RC Church
19.30: Meeting ✠ Bournemouth SPUC Branch
Sat 19 Sep '26 18.00: Sunday Mass Vigil ✠ ORDINARY TIME XXV ✠ MI George m Daisie Cox (RIP)
Sun 20 Sep '26 09.30: Sunday Mass ✠ ORDINARY TIME XXV
11.00: VOE Patronal Mass ✠ Our Lady of Walsingham
12.30: VOL Sunday Mass ✠ PENTECOST XVII ≡ Dominica XVII Post Pentecosten
Wed 23 Sep '26 09.30: VOE Weekday Mass ✠ St Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest
Fri 25 Sep '26 09.30: Weekday Mass ✠ Ord Time XXV:Fri
17.30: Meeting ✠ Bournemouth ADMA Chapter with Rosary & Litany of Loreto
18.30: Weekday Mass ✠ Ord Time XXV:Fri ✠ Bournemouth ADMA Chapter Mass
Sat 26 Sep '26 18.00: Sunday Mass Vigil ✠ ORDINARY TIME XXVI ✠ MI Charles m Renee Sheath (RIP 2001/2001)
Sun 27 Sep '26 09.30: Sunday Mass ✠ ORDINARY TIME XXVI
11.00: VOE Sunday Mass ✠ TRINITY XVII ≡ ORDINARY TIME XXVI
12.30: VOL Sunday Mass ✠ PENTECOST XVIII ≡ Dominica XVIII Post Pentecosten
Tue 29 Sep '26 19.00: Meeting ✠ Bishop Philip to BCPA ✠ → Annunciation Charminster RC Church

§ NOTICE ITEM § DESCRIPTION

STM Iford Parish •ADVANCE NOTICE: FR DARRYL & LISA MOVING TO WATERSIDE PARISH OF HOLBURY AND HYTHE IN ADVENT.
•WEEKDAY MORNING MASSES ON WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS ARE CANCELLED IN AUGUST.
•New Mass Books: Please consider sponsoring one or more at £6 each. Donation cards are on the Font Table.
•Small Group: "How To Pray" (Sycamore Series). Mon 19.00 (monthly). RSVP: Claire Riche-Gallet 01202 423431
•Confessions: Sat 17.30; Masses in Modern English: Sat 18.00 & Sun 09.30; Fri 09.30; Holydays 18.30
•Housekeeping & Pet Care by parishioner Alana Morris. Details: 07907 066 989|domestic-goddess.co.uk/
•FIRE EXITS: In case of a fire/drill, the assembly point is on the pavement on the corner over the road.
St Peter's Schools •Part-time Chaplaincy Admin needed, 18hrs/week (term time); apply by Thu 3 Sep 08.00.
Details: st-peters.bournemouth.sch.uk (s.v. 'school information...staff vacancies').
Bournemouth ADMA •Chapter Prayer Meeting & Mass: 4th Fri 17.30 & 18.30. Reparations to Our Lady of Fatima: 1st Sat 17.00
B'mouth LMS •Masses in Traditional Latin (Extraordinary/Tridentine Form): Sun 12.30; Holydays 17.00
B'mouth OLW •Masses in Traditional English (Anglican/Ordinariate Use): Sun 11.00, Wed 09.30, Holydays 09.30
•POOLW YouTube Channel (usually) with weekly podcasts on the Sunday Propers: youtube.com/@OLWOrdinariate
B'mouth SPUC •Branch Meeting: 3rd Fri 19.30. SPUC defends our created human nature against Moral Nihilism. |spuc.tv/
B'mouth X'church PA •YOUTH MASS @ Corpus Christi Boscombe: First Sundays at 17.00 followed by refreshments. All welcome.

§ FINANCE ITEM § DESCRIPTION

Parish Bank Account: CDP Bournemouth St. Thomas More; sort code 30-93-04; a/c 00875415
July Offering: StOrders ✢ Envelopes ✢ Cash ✢ Total ✢ WeeklyAverage
£1,114.44 ✢ £228.00 ✢ £272.42 ✢ £1,614.86 ✢ £404.00

§ CONTACT ITEM § NAME/ROLE ✢ DETAILS (IF NONE LISTED USE PARISH OFFICE)

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Fabric & Finance: Chair & Treasurer: Peter Britton (STMI); Simon Jones (BOLW)
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Music: Parish Organist & Composer: Tom Phillips; Choir Director & Organist (Cantores Spei): Andrew Santos
Safeguarding: Officers: Mrs Nadia Cassettai & Neil Dawson ✢ safeguarding.boust@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
Hospitals: UHD NHS Chaplaincy Team: Bournemouth & Christchurch 0300 019 4221 ✢ Poole 0300 019 2167
Pastoral Area: BCPA (comprising Bournemouth & Christchurch) website: bccatholics.uk

Sunday after next ***https://www.theliturgyproject.com/sunday-next***
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) September 6, 2026

Commentary
Fr Gaston Forbah

The Readings of this weekend invite us to correct each other in charity. We all need each other's support to live good and happy lives, for no one is an island. This act of fraternal correction is an expression of Christian love.

- God warns the Prophet Ezekiel not to remain silent in the face of evil. Rather, he must play his part by calling the attention of those who are on the wrong path so that they can amend their ways and be saved (Cf. 1st Reading).

- We can't force people to change, and it should not be our preoccupation to force change in anyone's life. Our gentle admonition, by word, example, and prayer, is what we are called to do to ensure each other's safety and well-being.

- While we seek to correct others, we need to be mindful of our own limitations and our need for support. Ours should be an attitude of openness and humility when we receive fraternal correction (Cf. Psalm). God can speak to us even through an ordinary person next to us.

- We owe each other nothing except to love (Cf. 2nd Reading). Out of love, we seek to help each other enjoy the fullness of life which Jesus came to give (Cf John 10:10). Every act of correction must be based on love and should aim to promote love (Cf. Pope Francis' Angelus Message of September 10, 2023).

- Fraternal correction needs to be marked by respect and patience (Cf. Gospel Reading). Approaching the person concerned as the first step is a sign of respect. Sometimes, this may only be the first step in a long journey, which we are invited to patiently pursue while seeking help from the right people, if need be.

- Through exercising mutual fraternal correction in love, may we all receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance (Cf. Opening Prayer).

Liturgy notes
Bro Duncan Smith

Whenever we celebrate the liturgy, we are immersing ourselves in Scripture. The Word of God is found throughout the breviary and the missal.

But we should always remember that this Word is a living Word, more speech than text, even if printed on a page. And when the Lector proclaims the Word at Mass, it is Christ himself speaking through the mouth of his minister. This all becomes explicit in the response to the psalm for Mass on the twenty-third Sunday of ordinary time: O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

We must beware a temptation to harden our hearts, because the Word of God will challenge us. We might recall Saint Anthony of Egypt. Entering the church he heard the Gospel of the rich young man being read: If you would be perfect, go, sell what you possess, and give to the poor … and come, follow me. This he was constrained to do, and after many trials became the father of monks, both of east and west.

Hesitation is understandable when confronted with such a challenge. But we can take courage. The Word of God will not fail us. He is the Creator Word, the Word through whom all things were made in the beginning. In him they are firmly established. And there is no need to fear our own failure. When we fall the Word raises us up. As his power is, so is his mercy.

In all circumstances therefore we can sing the psalm with our whole heart: Come, let us ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us.

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