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Newsletter
of the
Catholic Parish of
St Thomas More

CORPUS CHRISTI Yr C

28th/29th May 2016

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Week beginning 28th/29th May		Mass Intention
Saturday 28th May Confessions 5.15–5.45pm First Mass 6.00pm	**CORPUS CHRISTI**	People of the Parish
Sunday 29th May Sunday Mass 9.30am Ordinariate Mass 11.15am		People of the Parish ----------
Tuesday 31st May Weekday Mass 9.30am	**THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY,** *feast*	For all the faithful departed
Wednesday 1st June **Requiem Mass 10.30am**	–	**Ron Esposti, RIP**
Thursday 2nd June Weekday Mass 9.30am	Feria	For all the faithful departed
Friday 3rd June Weekday Mass 9.30am	**THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS,** *solemnity*	For all the parish faithful departed
Saturday 4th June Confessions 5.15–5.45pm First Mass 6.00pm	**TENTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME**	People of the Parish
Sunday 5th June Sunday Mass 9.30am Ordinariate Mass 11.15am Syro-Malabar Mass 4.00pm		People of the Parish ----------

Bournemouth Ordinariate Mission celebrate the Solemnity of Corpus Christi: Sunday, 29th May. Please join us for open choir rehearsal at 3.30 pm in the Nave, followed by Festal Choral Evensong at 4.30 pm. Next is Solemn Outdoor Procession with the Most Blessed Sacrament, returning to the Nave for Benediction. Light refreshments follow in the Parish Hall.

PARISH CENSUS

If you did not fill in a census form last weekend, we would ask you to complete a form this weekend. This can be done after the homily and will be collected after Mass.

Parish records need to be updated at least once every ten years. Our last census was in 2008. Filling in the census forms should only take a few minutes as the only information required will be names, addresses and contact details.

The Feast of Corpus Christi

The table of fellowship

Sitting down together to a meal can generate a special feeling of togetherness. Each of us will have our own memories of table companionship or fellowship. Many of these will be happy experiences of celebration and laughter, of love received and shared. Some memories of table fellowship may be sad, times when we were more aware of one who was absent than of those who were present. Jesus shared table many times with his disciples. It is likely that, when sharing food with his disciples, he also shared with them his vision of God's kingdom . At table, the disciples imbibed something of Jesus' mind and heart and spirit. Of all the meals he shared with them, the meal that stayed in their memory more than any other was their last meal together, what came to be known as the last supper. Today's gospel gives us Mark's account, his word-picture, of that last supper.

This last meal Jesus shared with his disciples stood out in their memory, capturing the imagination of generations of disciples right up to ourselves. He did more than share his vision with the disciples; he gave them himself in a way he had never done before, and in a way that anticipated the death he would die for them and for all, on the following day. In giving himself in the form of the bread and wine of the meal, he was declaring himself to be their food and drink. In calling on them to take and eat, to take and drink, he was asking them to take their stand with him, to give themselves to him as he was giving himself to them.

It was because of that supper and of what went on there that we are here in this church today. Jesus intended his last supper to be a beginning rather than an end. It was the first Eucharist. Ever since that meal, the church has gathered regularly in his name, to do and say what he did and said at that last supper–taking bread and wine, blessing both, breaking the bread and giving both for disciples to eat and drink.

Jesus continues to give himself as food and drink to his followers. He also continues to put it up to his followers to take their stand with him, to take in all he stands for, living by his values, walking in his way, even if that means the cross. Whenever we come to Mass and receive the Eucharist, we are making a number of important statements. We are acknowledging Jesus as our bread of life, as the one who alone can satisfy our deepest hungers. We are also declaring that we will throw in our lot with him, as it were, that we will follow in his way and be faithful to him all our lives, in response to his faithfulness to us. In that sense, celebrating the Eucharist is not something we do lightly. Our familiarity with the Mass and the frequency with which we celebrate it can dull our senses to the full significance of what we are doing. Every time we gather for the Eucharist, we find ourselves once more in that upper room with the first disciples, and the last supper with all it signified is present again to us.

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SILVER JUBILEE PRIESTLY ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Fr Gerry Onyejuluwa, MSP, celebrates his Silver Jubilee on **Saturday 18th June** 2016 with 11:00am Mass. The Parish and Fr Gerry in particular cordially invite you to please come along and pray for and celebrate with Fr Gerry this milestone in his priestly ministry.
Come and join us in thanking God for the life of Fr Gerry! Everyone is welcome!

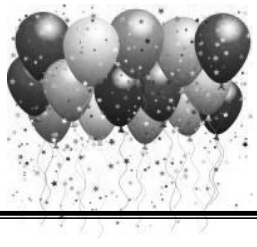
Celebration!

Golden Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood

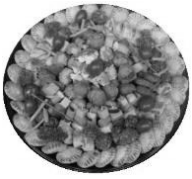


Saturday 11th June 2016 at 6.00pm St Thomas More, Iford.

Fr Ron Hishon will celebrate a Mass of thanksgiving, to mark the Golden Anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood. All are welcome to attend the Mass and join in with an American supper (bring a plate of food to share) in the hall afterwards, when there will be an opportunity to offer him personal congratulations.



If people feel they would like to offer a gift to Fr Ron he asks if this could be made in the form of a donation to 'Medecins Sans Frontieres'



More than just a Red Box ……. On top of the fridge. Beside the phone. The iconic Red Box has been a familiar fixture in homes and parishes across England and Wales for over 75 years.



We're holding a **SPECIAL COLLECTION for those whose Red Box may not have been opened for a while**. Maybe it's lurking on top of the fridge, or behind some books. If so, please bring it to Mass over the coming weekends and we will empty it. If your Red Box hasn't been emptied for a while, please take it to church between **4th-12th June.**

Church Diary

Barry writes:
In the past we have had to cancel various events here at STM because two events have been booked at the same time. To try to avoid this happening in the future, a new ***Church Diary*** has been put together and placed in the Conference room.

If you book any event, be it in the church itself, or the conference room, please enter it in the diary. If you are organising a special Mass in church, that will also need to be put into the diary.

We would ask that events organised by the Parish, Ordinariate, and Syro-Malabar go into the diary please.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Day of Recollection for Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers
St Dominic's Priory, Shirley Holms, Sway, Lymington SO41 8NH
July 2nd, 10.00am - 4.00 pm (Please bring a packed lunch.)
If you wish to attend, could you please put your name on the list on the Eucharistic Minister's table (by the double doors between the church and sacristy) by Friday 24th June.

SIGNIFICANT WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES MASS

Are you celebrating a 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th or a 60+ anniversary?

If so then you are invited to a Mass of celebration at St Bede's church, Basingstoke, Saturday 9th July. Please email to anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. or visit the diocesan website and complete the online form. To help celebrate the occasion please could you provide a COPY of your Wedding photograph, either by email to the above email address or by post and send to the following address: St Bede's Parish Office, Popley Way, Basingstoke, RG24 9DX. (Please mark the envelope, "Significant Anniversaries Mass").

A THANK YOU
Cindy, the late Enid Price's daughter, thanks everyone for their prayers and Mass Intentions on the loss of her, much loved, mother. These were much appreciated.

Bournemouth Hospital Chapel
Help required! We are looking for several people to set up, serve the Mass and tidy away afterwards at the Royal Bournemouth Hospital Chapel (St Luke's) on Wednesday evenings at 6.00 pm, in particular to provide cover for holidays and sickness of the current volunteer. It would involve arriving about twenty minutes before Mass and clearing up afterwards so would be finished by 7pm.
Training will be given!
If you are interested, please come along to the Mass one Wednesday and if you think it might be for you, speak to Father Darryl after Mass.

On a practical note ….. A reminder that If receiving Holy Communion under both kinds, then could ladies please not wear **lipstick** when receiving the most precious blood from the chalice. Thank you



Another deadline is approaching!
If you have any Contributions of news and Photos from around our Pastoral Area for the **Summer edition of the Link**, please send them to Julie: olqp@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk by **5th June**.

Forthcoming meetings ….
The next **Liturgy Group meeting** will be on **Tuesday, 7th June at 5.30 pm.**

Pastoral Area No. 20: AVON STOUR. Co-ordinating Pastor – Fr. Tom Grufferty.

TIMES OF WEEKEND MASSES in other Parishes/Bournemouth Ordinariate Mission in the **AVON STOUR PASTORAL AREA**		
Ordinariate Mass St Thomas More, Exton Rd., Iford	01590 610133	Sunday 11.15am
The Immaculate Conception and St Joseph's, Purewell, Christchurch	01202 483340	Saturday 6.30pm Sunday 9.00am, 10.45am
Holy Redeemer Kilmington Way, Highcliffe	01425 274838	Sunday 8.00am, 10.00am
The Sacred Heart and St Therese of Lisieux, Ringwood	01425 653131	Sunday 11.00am
Our Lady of Sorrows and St Philip Benizi, Fordingbridge	01425 653131	Saturday 6.00pm Sunday 9.00am
Our Lady Queen of Peace and Blessed Margaret Pole, Southbourne	01202 424960	Sunday 8.00am, 11.00am 6.00 pm
Hospital Visits: Royal Bournemouth & Christchurch Hospitals: For non-urgent requests please contact the Chaplaincy Office on 01202 704221. They also have an answerphone. For more urgent requests/ out of hours, the duty RC chaplain may be contacted via the switchboard on 01202 303626 **For Poole Hospital**, please contact Deacon McConville on 01202 442167.		

DAY FOR ALTAR SERVERS : Saturday 11th June, St Edmunds Catholic School Portsmouth, 10.00am– 3.00pm More details on poster on notice board or email youth@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

THE LAND GIRLS : 7.00pm, Friday 17th June. The Land Girls (- as seen on 'The Voice') will be in concert in Corpus Christi Parish Centre, Parkwood Road, Boscombe on The singing duo specialise in popular 1940's and wartime hits. A ploughmans supper is included in ticket price of £12.50. BYO drink. Tickets available from Aidan - call 07775868253

CORPUS CHRISTI PRIMARY SCHOOL FETE : 1st July, 3.00pm - 5.00pm in the school playground.

ST THOMAS GARNET'S SCHOOL SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB: Monday 25th July - Friday 26th August. Cost is £28 per full day or £14 per half day. For more information and booking form please either telephone school office on 01202 420172 or email enquiries@stthomasgarnets.co.uk. We welcome children aged from 3-11 years.

PASTORAL AREA "FORMATION FOR MISSION" EVENTS

For more information on any of the following, please contact Richard Martin: rmartin@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or 07990 826934



How can we as a Parish and Pastoral Area best support and encourage the families who live in our area? Please sign up for one of our "We Are Family" conferences (fliers and sign-up forms available in churches):

Wednesday 15th June, 7.15 - 9.15 pm Our Lady of Sorrows, Fordingbridge
Thursday 16th June, 7.15 - 9.15 pm St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Christchurch
Tuesday 21st June, 10.30 am -12.30 pm Our Lady Queen of Peace, Southbourne
Friday 8th July, 11 am - 1 pm Holy Redeemer, Highcliffe

*****HELP NEEDED, PLEASE!*** If you can help with refreshments, set-up and welcoming at any of our "We Are Family" conferences, please contact Richard Martin (see above)

MUSIC MINISTRY PASTORAL AREA NETWORK EVENT



For everyone involved in parish music groups, choirs, organists, etc.: **MONDAY 6th JUNE, 7.15-9.15 pm** at St Thomas More Church Hall, Exton Road, Iford BH6 5QG. Please contact Richard Martin (see above) if you are thinking of coming.

THE SACRAMENTS – Transforming Everyday Life No session this week (half term). Session 3 on Wed 8th/Thu 9th June.

THANK YOU

for the offerings 14th May/15th May

Envelopes :	£ 131.10	Cash :	£ 95.95
Standing Orders :	£ 186.85		**Total : £ 413.90**