

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

All peoples, clap your hands.  
Cry to God with shouts of joy!

**THE COLLECT**

O God, who through the grace of adoption chose us to be children of light, grant, we pray, that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error but always be seen to stand in the bright light of truth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**FIRST READING**

A reading from the second book of the Kings 4:8-11.14-16

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.'

One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. 'What can be done for her?' he asked. Gehazi, his servant, answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. 'This time next year,' Elisha said, 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

**PSALM**

88:2-3.16-19. R v2

**R) I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.**

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord; through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth. Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever, that your truth is firmly established as the heavens. (R)

Happy the people who acclaim such a king, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face, who find their joy every day in your name, who make your justice the source of their bliss. (R)

For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their strength; it is by your favour that our might is exalted; for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord; our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel. (R)

**SECOND READING**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans 6:3-4.8-11

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ

Ps 46: 2

was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia! cf.Ac16:14  
Open our heart, O Lord,  
to accept the words of your Son.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 10:37-42

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.'

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.'

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man because he is a holy man will have a holy man's reward.'

'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

The Gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

O God, who graciously accomplish the effects of your mysteries, grant, we pray, that the deeds by which we serve you may be worthy of these sacred gifts. Through Christ our Lord.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** Cf. Ps 102: 1

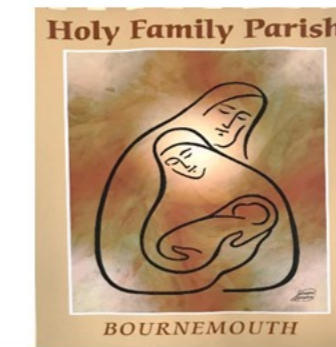
Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and all within me, his holy name.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

May this divine sacrifice we have offered and received fill us with life, O Lord, we pray, so that, bound to you in lasting charity, we may bear fruit that lasts for ever. Through Christ our Lord.

**THE PARISH OF THE HOLY FAMILY, BOURNEMOUTH**

incorporating the churches of Christ the King, Kinson & St Bernadette's, Ensbury Park



**GOSPEL REFLECTION**



Some passages of the Gospel have a very harsh sound to them. The first part of today's Gospel is one such passage. Jesus, who peaks

constantly about love, seems to be castigating us for loving our own family members. But what he is actually doing is telling us where our priorities should lie. Love of God is paramount and nothing else should stand in its way. If we 'idolize' other human beings, whether it be a son a daughter, a footballer or film star, then we have got it wrong. Putting other human beings on a pedestal is dangerous not only for us but for those we put there. Only God is worthy of worship. And yet, Jesus, once again, reminds us of the link between loving God and loving our neighbour: "If

anyone so much as gives a cup of cold water to one of these little ones..." Jesus very much wants us to love others, but in the right way. He wants us to serve them, just as he served them when he was on this earth. If we want to know whether or not we loving others in the 'right' way, we need to ask ourselves the question "Am I prepared to love everyone in the same way?"



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Dear Parishioners,

Today is thirteenth Sunday in the Ordinary time!!

You might wonder to see festival decorations around our church this weekend. The Keralan Community in and around our parish area and beyond in Dorset, make use of our church for their weekly holy Mass and liturgy on Sundays. They will be gathering to celebrate their patronal feast of St. John the Baptist, St. Thomas and St. Alphonsa etc. during this weekend. Let us join them spiritually as they will be praying for our parish as well. Reflecting on the Feast of St. Peter and Paul, Pope Francis exhorted the faithful that Peter stand for "Following Christ" that is, He invites us to a "Church that follows" whereas St. Paul invites us to be a "Church that proclaims". Yes, let us also say "yes" generously to follow and to proclaim Him even in our imperfections.

**Reflection: Jesus said**

**"Whoever does not take up his cross and follow in my steps is not fit to be my disciples" (Mt. 10:38)**

A scene in the film American Anthem, shows a young man who cannot accept the fact that he lost a leg in an accident. He draws the blinds in his room, let no body in and passes his time in darkness, listening to music. Contrast this scene with another scene reported by Robert Bruce. Walking along the crowded street, Bruce heard someone singing joyfully. When he located the source, he couldn't believe his eyes. It was a legless man pushing himself along a wheelchair. One person's rejection of a cross, brought sadness; the other's acceptance of it, brought joy.

What is one cross in my life, that I am finding hard to accept?

**"I thank my God for my handicaps, for through them,  
I have found myself, my work and my God" (Helen Keller)**

*Fr Chacks*

**POPE'S INTENTIONS for July 2023 For a Eucharistic Life**

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.  
[www.thepopevideo.org](http://www.thepopevideo.org)

On 16th July, Anastasia, our Ukrainian parishioner who attends St Bernadette's and CTK, is giving a short 20 minute concert of singing and dancing with a few children who attend the little Ukrainian school she has started. It will be in the parish lounge after the 9.30 Mass to say 'thank you' for the hospitality and kindness they have all received since arriving in Bournemouth.

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to make  
donations  
to the  
Parish  
Thank you



**March for Life UK : London Sat 2nd Sept.**

St. Joseph's Church Branksome have booked a coach to take us to the 'March for Life'  
If anyone would like to go,  
please contact St Joseph's parish office on 01202 746539 or  
email [poole-stjoseph@prcdtr.co.uk](mailto:poole-stjoseph@prcdtr.co.uk) to reserve a seat.

DAY	CHURCH	TIME	CELEBRATION or FEAST DAY/ MEMORIAL
Sat 1	StB	6pm	Vigil Mass of the Thirteenth Sunday on Ordinary Time
Sun 2	CtK StB	9.30am 11am	Masses of The Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Mon 3	StB	6pm	Adoration followed by Mass at 6.30 <i>Feast of St Thomas the Apostle</i>
Tues 4	CtK	9.30am	Adoration followed by Mass at 9.30 <i>Blessed John Cornelius &amp; Companions</i>
Wed 5			NO MASS
Thur 6	CtK	9.30am	Mass <i>St Maria Goretti</i>
Fri 7	CtK StB	9.30am 7pm	Mass followed by the Divine chaplet HOLY HOUR
Sat 8	StB	6pm	Vigil Mass of the Fourteenth Sunday on Ordinary Time
Sun 9	CtK StB	9.30am 11am	Masses of The Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time



Come Holy Spirit and fill the hearts of the young people  
being confirmed this Sunday  
Susu, Weronika, Ben and Patrick

**CATHOLIC CHILDRENS SOCIETY PLYMOUTH**  
are looking for more volunteers to either join as a Parish volunteer to help promote the small charity or as a trustee to serve on the Board that meets 4x a year.  
If you would like to consider becoming a Parish Volunteer for the Catholic Children's Society, please contact Vicki Dunstone, our Fundraiser & Communications Officer on 01364 645420 or email [vicki.dunstone@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:vicki.dunstone@prcdtr.org.uk) to request an information pack detailing how you could get involved to help raise money for CCSP.

**KINSON FOOD BANK NEEDS OUR HELP AS IT FACES THREAT OF CLOSURE**

Items needed include: tinned vegetables, tinned fruit, pasta sauce, UHT milk, rice, coffee, feminine hygiene products & nappies  
Thank you.



For generations small scale farmers have freely swapped and shared a wide variety of seeds. But new laws supported by the World Bank are being introduced that limit what small farmers can do with their seeds. Salina, a small scale farmer in Bangladesh has written a letter to the World Bank calling for the rights of small scale farmers to be protected.  
Please support this by adding your signature. It takes 5 seconds to sign your name. FOD needs your support. Please sign the 'Big Letter' which will be in the back of church from next weekend.



NEXT MEETING  
TUESDAY 4TH JULY  
7pm AT CTK

Chair: Michael Stead  
Secretary: Jenny Gunstone

**PETERS PENCE** There will be a 2nd collection this weekend for 'Peters Pence'. It is the name given to the financial support offered by the faithful to the Holy Father as a sign of their sharing in the concern of the many different needs of the Universal Church and for the relief of those most in need.



**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS**

Jocelyne Cotrel Kevin Moor Frances & Tony Herbert  
Les Netherton Frances Smith Anna Browne Tony Bateman  
Noel Harris Sheila Shelley Mike & Kathleen Carter



Please contact the Parish Office for your prayer intentions