

Church of Our Lady Queen of Peace and Blessed Margaret Pole

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Fourth Sunday of Advent

21st December 2025

He did what the angel of the Lord had told him to do

Mass Times				
Sat	20 th	Weekday of Advent		
		12.00	Clive Bishop+	
Sun	21st	Fourth Sunday of Adven	t	
		9.30	Tom Cantwell+	
		11.00	People of the Parish	
Mon	22nd	Weekday of Advent		
		10.00	Gary Proudlock int	
Tue	23rd	Weekday of Advent	•	
		10.00	Olivia Wallwork+	
Wed	24th	Christmas Eve		
		10.00	People of the Parish	
		16.00 Children's Mass	•	
		21.00 Carols		
		21.30 First Mass of Chris	tmas	
Thu	25th	Nativity of the Lord		
		10.30	People of the Parish	
Fri	26th	St Stephen		
		10.00	People of the Parish	
Sat	27th	St John		
		12.00		
Sun	28th	Feast of the Holy Family		
		9.30	David Marchesi+	
		11.00	People of the Parish	
Tea & Coffee in the Parish Hall after Sunday masses				

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Children's Liturgy (Sign in required) Sunday 9.30
Holy Hourafter Wednesday morning mass
Confessionsduring Holy Hour Wednesday & at cal
Choir Practice 18.00 Monday in Church
PsalterWeek 2
Sunday Readings: Year A
Weekday Readings: Year 2
BaptismsContact the Deacor
Marriages:Contact the Parish Pries
Rosary Group Fridays 10.30 when no Mother's Prayers
Mother's Prayer Group 2nd & 4th Fridays 10.30
Friendship Club14.00 Fridays
Safeguarding & Data Protection Officer
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Cycle of Prayer: Advent & Christmas

Openness to the Word of God, Migrants and Refugees, Expectant Mothers



Lucca Giordano - Dream of Saint Joseph (detail c.1690's)

Joseph

I am Joseph, carpenter, Of David's kingly line, I wanted an heir, discovered My wife's son wasn't mine.

I am an obstinate lover, Loved Mary for better or worse. Wouldn't stop loving when I found Someone Else came first.

Mine was the likeness I hoped for When the first-born man-child came But nothing of him was me, I couldn't Even choose his name.

I am Joseph who wanted To teach my own boy how to live. My lesson for my foster son: Endure. Love. Give

Christmas Services 2025

Sunday 21st December Fourth Sunday of Advent Mass 9.30 & 11.00

Wednesday 24th December Christmas Eve

Mass 10.00

Children's Mass 16.00 Carols 21.00

Midnight Mass 21.30

Thursday 25th December Christmas Day

Mass 10.30

Friday 26th December St Stephen
Mass 10.00

Saturday 27th December St John
Mass 12.00

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Sunday 28th December The Holy Family
Mass 9.30 & 11.00

Christmas Day is a day of joy and charity May God make you very rich in both

Support Your Parish

Contactless payments can be made by the machine in the Church. Cheques should be payable to 'CDP Bournemouth Our Lady of Peace'. For Standing Orders go the parish website for the form or inform your bank of our details: 30-93-04 00875180. Donations can be made online or through the parish website.

Funeral

Funeral arrangements for Edward John Vigar: Reception of the Body 16.00 on Monday 29th December, Requiem Mass at 10.00 on Tuesday 30th December followed by burial at Boscombe East Cemetery. Refreshments in the Parish Hall at 12.30. May he rest in peace.

Love came down at Christmas; Love all lovely, love divine; Love was born at Christmas, Stars and angels gave the sign

Christina Rossetti

First Communion



There will be a meeting for parents and children who wish to make their First Communion in 2026 after the 9.30 mass on Sunday 1st February. Classes will commence on Sunday 15th March after the 9.30 mass.

The other dates for classes are: 22nd March, 9th & 26th April, 10th & 17th May. The rehearsal will be on Friday 5th June with the First Communion itself on Saturday 6th June at 12.00. To register interest contact Angie on fhcteam.olqp@gmail.com.

Beetle Drive



We will be holding a Beetle Drive in the Parish Hall on Friday 6th February (Note Date Change) at 18.00. It will be a lively and fun evening for all the family. £5 per head, £3 children.

Christmas Offerings

The Christmas Offertory Collection customarily goes to the priest and forms a considerable portion of his annual income. Many thanks for your kind generosity.

Children's Christmas Eve Mass

There will be a Children's Christmas Mass on Christmas Eve at 16.00. Please sign the list at the back of the Church if you are attending and wish to participate in acting or speaking in the Nativity. Paul White will deliver the scripts in advance. The rehearsal will be at 15.00 on Christmas Eve in advance of the Mass.

Christmas Blessing

The light of the Christmas star to you,
The warmth of home and hearth to you,
The cheer and good will of friends to you,
The hope of a childlike heart to you,
The joy of a thousand angels to you,
The love of the Son,
And God's peace to you.

May the spirit of Christmas bring you peace, The gladness of Christmas give you hope, The warmth of Christmas grant you love.

Mardi Gras Masked Ball Dinner Dance

After the huge success of this event two years ago, it's back again and it's going to be even better than before! It will be on Saturday 28th February 2026 from 19.00 -22.30. Join us for an incredible evening of musical genius with James Stead. What a treat for everyone to have James come and entertain us. Long dress for the ladies and black tie for the gents. plus a mask which is a MUST! £15 per person. More details to follow. Contact Nicola for info. 07966 222463

Recent Collections

Standing Orders £463, Sunday £302 with thanks.

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

Readers: 9.30 S Smith & C Raj 11.00 T Hook, H Gardiner Ministers: 9.30 M Smith 11.00 V Rochford Christmas Vigil Minister: S Smith Readers: L Pritchard, T McCaffrey Christmas Day Minister: L Hanson Readers: C Wright, L Goodall

n/w Readers: 9.30 J Carr-Jones, 11.00 T Hook, H Gardiner n/w Ministers: 9.30 T McCaffrey 11.00 H Gardiner

Forthcoming Dates

Children's Christmas Disco	14th December
Taizé Service	18th December
Beetle Drive	6th February