



Church of Our Lady Queen of Peace and Blessed Margaret Pole

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st February 2026

Blessed are the poor in spirit

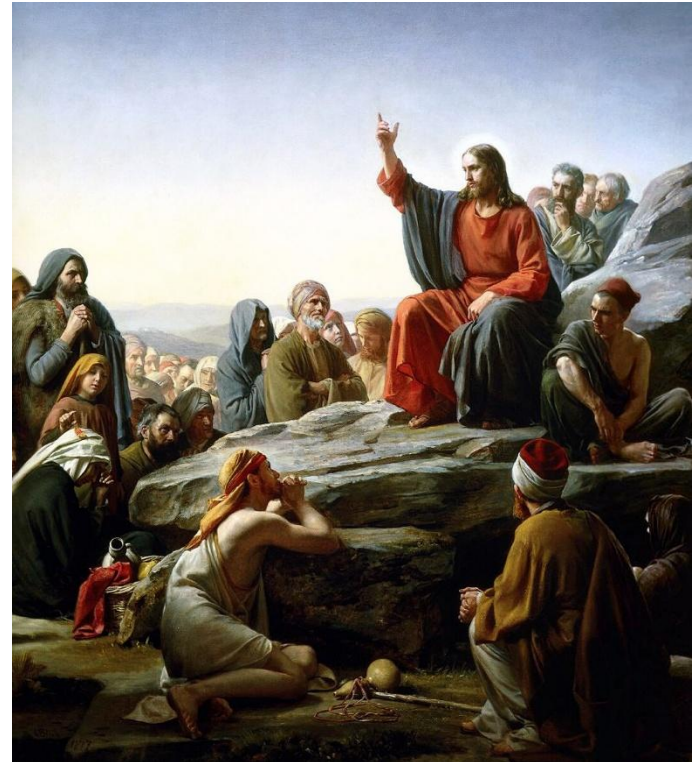
Mass Times

Sat	31st	St John Bosco	
		12.00	John Murphy+
Sun	1st	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
		9.30	Josephine & John O'Leary
		11.00	People of the Parish
Mon	2nd	The Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas)	
		10.00	Anthony Aga-in+
Tue	3rd	St Blaise	
		10.00	(with Blessing of Throats)
Wed	4th	Feria	
		10.00	Maria Martinez Peria+
Thu	5th	St Agatha	
		No Mass	
Fri	6th	St Paul Miki & Companions	
		10.00	CWL
Sat	7th	Feria	
		12.00	Maria Martinez Peria+
Sun	8th	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
		9.30	Grace Warr+
		11.00	People of the Parish

Tea & Coffee in the Parish Hallafter Sunday masses
Children's Liturgy (Sign in required)..... Sunday 9.30
Holy Hourafter Wednesday morning mass
Confessions.....during Holy Hour Wednesday & at call
Choir Practice..... 18.00 Monday in Church
PsalterWeek 2
Sunday Readings:..... Year A
Weekday Readings: Year 2
Baptisms.....Contact the Deacon
Marriages:Contact the Parish Priest
Mother's Prayer Group..... 2nd & 4th Fridays 10.30
Rosary GroupFridays 10.30 when no Mother's Prayers
Friendship Club 14.00 Fridays
Safeguarding & Data Protection Officer
..... Mary Basing 07969 120264

Cycle of Prayer: Ordinary Time: Winter

Peace on Earth, Racial Justice, Christian Unity,
Victims of Human Trafficking, The Sick and those
who care for them, The Unemployed



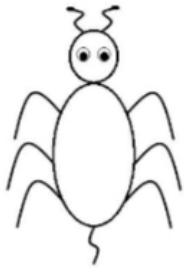
The Sermon on the Mount by Karl Bloch (1877)

The Beatitudes

In today's Gospel, Jesus begins the Sermon on the Mount with the Beatitudes – not a list of rules, but a portrait of the blessed life. The word 'blessed' (makarios in Greek) means truly happy or fulfilled. Jesus turns the world's idea of happiness upside down: true joy is found not in wealth, power, or success, but in humility, mercy, purity of heart, and trust in God.

The first reading from Zephaniah echoes this: God delights in a 'humble and lowly' people who seek refuge in Him. St. Paul reminds the Corinthians – and us – that God often chooses what the world considers weak to shame the strong.

The Beatitudes are a call to live differently: to be poor in spirit (detached and dependent on God), merciful even when wronged, peacemakers in a divided world. They are the heart of Christian discipleship, as the Catechism teaches (CCC 1716), and the path to authentic happiness both now and in eternity.



Beetle Drive

We will be holding a Beetle Drive in the Parish Hall on Friday 6th February at 18.00. It will be a lively and fun evening for all the family. £5 per head, £3 children. In addition to teas, coffee and juice we will be serving cheese and wine so donations of these and raffle prizes will be most welcome.



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! The Masked Ball will take place on Saturday 28th February 2026 in the Parish Hall 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. A long dress for the ladies and black tie for the gents please, plus a mask which is a MUST! Tickets £15 per person. More details to follow. Please contact Nicola for info on 07966 222463.

**Education is an admirable thing,
but it is well to remember
from time to time**

that nothing worth knowing can be taught

Oscar Wilde

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.

Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

We will be offering the Sacrament of the Sick at mass on 11th February, the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. It is World Day of Prayer for the Sick and so it is a most appropriate day to receive this special sacrament.

Liturgy Meeting

The next Liturgy Group meeting will be Wednesday 4th February at 17.30 in the Priest's House.

Marriage in 2026

If you are considering getting married in 2026 it is important that you contact Father Alex so that the preparation process can be started in good time. Six months' notice is normally required.

**Good judgment comes from experience,
and experience comes from bad judgment**



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 today 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.

**For Godthe greatest lover
so lovedthe greatest degree
the worldthe greatest number
that he gavethe greatest act
his only Son..... the greatest gift
that whoever..... the greatest invitation
believes.....the greatest simplicity
in Himthe greatest person
shall not perish ..the greatest deliverance
but the greatest difference
have..... the greatest certainty
eternal life.....the greatest possession.**

**What counts can't always be counted
What can be counted doesn't always count**

Recent Collections

Standing Orders £408, Sunday £192 with thanks.

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

Readers: 9.30 J Carr-Jones, R Hernandez

11.00 A Alagbaoso, M-A Jean-Francoise

Ministers: 9.30 J Happe, 11.00 N Jean-Francoise

n/w Readers: 9.30 E Taylor, S Crump 11.00 B

Nanovo, S Smith **n/w Ministers:** 9.30 S McCaffrey

11.00 V Rochford

Forthcoming Dates

Beetle Drive.....6th February

Ash Wednesday 18th February

Mardi Gras28th February

Easter Sunday..... 5th April