



Church of Our Lady Queen of Peace and Blessed Margaret Pole

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Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

30th August 2026

If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself

Mass Times

Sat	29th	Passion of St John the Baptist	12.00	
Sun	30th	Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30	McFetrich Family Intentions
			11.00	People of the Parish
Mon	31st	St Aidan	10.00	
Tue	1st	Feria	10.00	Gary Proudlock+
Wed	2nd	Feria	10.00	Maria Romero de Leiro+
Thu	3rd	St Gregory the Great		No Mass
Fri	4th	St Cuthbert	10.00	CWL & Pat Watkins+
Sat	5th	St Teresa of Calcutta	12.00	Caroline Macdonald (ill)
Sun	6th	Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30	Les Clark+
			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
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 Group....Fridays 10.30 when no Mother's Prayers
Friendship Club 14.00 Fridays
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Cycle of Prayer: Summer

A Deeper Understanding between Christians and
Jews, Those who suffer Persecution, Oppression,
and Denial of Human Rights, Europe, Human Life,
Seafarers



Christ Carrying the Cross, El Greco 1597-1600

Take Up Your Cross

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus reveals the hard truth of discipleship: the road to glory runs through Calvary. When Peter recoils at the thought of suffering, Jesus rebukes him sharply — not because Peter lacks love, but because he is thinking 'as human beings do,' not as God does.

Then comes the invitation to us all: 'Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.' Discipleship isn't a reward for the comfortable; it's a daily surrender.

Jesus asks a piercing question: What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Success, comfort, and reputation mean nothing if we lose our soul in pursuit of them.

This week, ask: What cross is Christ inviting me to carry — and am I willing to lose my life to find it in Him?

Father Alex's Departure

As you already know Father Alex will be moving on at the beginning of September and he will be replaced by a diocesan priest, Father Inna Gade from Guernsey. Father Inna has spent some time in the past here at Our Lady, Queen of Peace so he will be already known to many parishioners. Please give him a warm welcome. Father Inna will also be taking responsibility for St Thomas More, Iford from November. As with Father Alex, he will be the Priest in Charge and the Canonical Paish Priest will be Canon John Nelson at Boscombe. Father Alex will leave on 9th September and Father Inna will arrive on 10th September.

**The world is a book and those
who do not travel read only one page**

St Augustine

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 to the parish website for the form or inform your bank of our details: 30-93-04 00875180. Donations can be made online through the parish website.

Hospital Contacts

Royal Bournemouth Hospital & Christchurch Hospital Chaplaincy call 0300 019 4221 (Catholic Mass 1st Wed of month at 18.00) Poole Hospital Chaplaincy call: 0300 019 2167 (Catholic Mass Thurs 18.30).

**To see a World in a Grain of Sand
And a Heaven in a Wild Flower,
Hold Infinity in the palm of your hand
And Eternity in an hour**

William Blake

Job Vacancy

St Peter's School are looking for a part-time admin assistant to work alongside the School Chaplain. 18 hrs a week; term time only. Details: www.st-peters.bournemouth.sch.uk. Closing date 8am 3rd Sept.

Inscription in the Cathedral at Lubek, Germany

Ye call me master, and obey me not;
ye call me light, and seek me not;
ye call me way, and walk me not;
ye call me wise, and follow me not;
ye call me fair, and love me not;
ye call me rich, and ask me not;
ye call me eternal, and seek me not;
ye call me gracious, and trust me not;
ye call me noble, and serve me not;
ye call me mighty, and honour me not;
ye call me just, and fear me not;
If I condemn you, blame me not.



Catholic Women's League

The CWL is celebrating its 120th anniversary on Sunday 13th September at the 11.00 mass. Come to the Parish Hall afterwards for refreshments All are welcome.

March for Life

The March for Life takes place in London on Saturday 5th September 2026. The Bournemouth Oratory has arranged a coach for this year's March for Life. It leaves St Joseph's Branksome at 6.45am, and the Oratory at 7am, and departs from London at 5pm. Places are limited to 37, so please secure your seat asap by paying £24 per person to the Oratory Parish Office.

Prayer is not asking.

It is a longing of the soul.

It is daily admission of one's weakness.

It is better in prayer to have a heart

without words than words without a heart

Mahatma Gandhi

Daily Mass

One of the wonderful things to note over the last eighteen months is the increase in the number of daily mass goers. It was about 12-15 but is now from 15-20 most days, sometimes up to 30. This is a real sign of the spiritual health of the parish. If going to mass on a weekday is not something you usually do, then why not think of coming to morning mass on the odd occasion. Those who do attend find that it greatly enhances their spiritual life.

Going to University this Autumn?

Each University and Institute of Higher Education in the country has its own dedicated Catholic Chaplain based either in the University or in a local parish. Masses each week are designed to meet the needs of the students.



The Catholic Chaplaincy is a place for you to explore your faith, to meet people with similar interests from a great range of backgrounds, and to get involved in activities and social outreach. If you already have a strong faith, this is a chance to deepen it. If you are full of questions and doubts, this is a chance to share them and search for some honest answers about life and faith. Everyone is welcome.

Recent Collections

Standing Orders £410, Sunday: 362.

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

Readers: 9.30 & 11.00 Please see rota **Ministers:** 9.30 V Brooks 11.00 N Jean-Francoise n/w
Readers: 9.30 & 11.00 Please see rota **n/w**
Ministers: 9.30 J Happe 11.00 V Rochford