

# CATHOLIC PARISHES OF LYMINGTON, BROCKENHURST & MILFORD-ON-SEA

**Our Lady of Mercy & St Joseph**  
132 High St, Lymington, SO41 9AQ

**St Anne**  
Rhinefield Rd, Brockenhurst, SO42 7SR

**St Francis of Assisi**  
Park Lane, Milford-on-Sea, SO41 0PT

## Parish Contacts:

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**Website:** www.nfwp.org.uk; **Parish Blog:** www.lymrcchurch.blogspot.com. **Registered Charity No:** 246871/2

**School:** Our Lady & St Joseph Catholic Primary School, Ramley Rd, Pennington, 01590 672711. **Head Teacher:** Kirstie Richards

**Chairs of Parish Pastoral Councils:** Mike Reynolds, Lymington; Henry Mellor, Brockenhurst; Anthony Kirke, Milford on Sea

**Parish Safeguarding Representative:** Cathy Pickles (Lym); Susan McCabe (Brock); Rita Ford (Mil).

**For the Sacrament of the Sick or Holy Communion to the Sick or housebound:** Contact the parish office.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation:

after 9.30am Mass on  
Saturdays in Lymington  
or by appointment

### Masses & Services for the Week: 17<sup>th</sup> June - 25<sup>th</sup> June

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	CHURCH	LITURGY	INTENTION	P
SAT	17 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	The Body & Blood of Christ, Solemnity, ( W )	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	18 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	The Body & Blood of Christ, Solemnity, ( W )	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	18 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	The Body & Blood of Christ, Solemnity, ( W )	First Holy Communicants	DMA
SUN	18 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	The Body & Blood of Christ, Solemnity, ( W )	Kevin Reardon & Alana Rogers	DMA
MON	19 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Word & HC	Our Lady	of the Day ( G )	N/A	
TUE	20 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the Day ( G )	Anne Monro RIP Anniv	DMA
WED	21 <sup>st</sup>	9.30am	Word & HC	Our Lady	St Aloysius Gonzaga, Mem, ( W )	N/A	
WED	21 <sup>st</sup>	NO SERVICE		St Francis	URGENT BUILDING WORK IN PROGRESS	N/A	
WED	21 <sup>st</sup>	10.00am	Mass	St Anne	St Aloysius Gonzaga, Mem, ( W )	Normina Marshall RIP F/M	DMA
THU	22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	Ss John Fisher & Thomas More, Feast, ( R )	Christian Babouder (Welfare)	DMA
FRI	23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Solemnity, ( W )	Deceased Clergy of the Province	DMA
SAT	24 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	The Nativity of St John the Baptist, Solemnity, ( W )	For those who are unwell	DMA
SAT	24 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ( G )	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	25 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ( G )	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	25 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ( G )	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	25 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ( G )	Winifred Mary Nicholas RIP F/M	DMA

### Forthcoming Special Collections:

**TODAY - June 17/18 - Day for Life**

**June 23/24 - Peter's Pence**

**July 8/9 - Apostleship of the Sea**

## RECEIVE YOUR OWN MYSTERY

Today we are also celebrating the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ (known previously by its Latin title: Corpus Christi).

Jesus was a spiritual genius and artist because he took simple things used in everyday meals and, by a unique association with himself in the death and resurrection he was to experience, he created a transformational ritual. This ritual which we have come to call the "Mass" has been at the centre of Catholic & Orthodox Christianity since the beginning.

The Eucharist is first of all the celebration of God's work in Jesus freeing us from sin and death and sharing with us Divine life. For this free, undeserved grace we can only give heartfelt thanks, which is in fact the meaning of the word Eucharist. Secondly the Eucharist is invitation and challenge. The invitation is to be "one body, one spirit in Christ" so that we can no longer regard ourselves as separate from others. Rather we are invited to recognise our responsibilities for others and to others. The call is to treat others as ourselves, to love others as ourselves. This way of love is a challenge to accept the sacrifices love may ask of us. As Jesus gave his life and death for us, so we are called to give our living and our dying for one another. In this way the Eucharist expresses something that is happening in our every day lives: a growing experience of gratitude to God and a growing capacity to love as Jesus has loved us. All this is made possible by the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. Eucharist reveals the ultimate pattern and purpose of our lives.

In the Eucharist we celebrate the gift of ourselves in God. Holy communion makes a powerful statement that God's life is in us, as the prayer at Mass says: "By the mingling of this water and wine may we come to share the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share in our humanity". Holy Communion gradually attunes us and confirms us in this mystery of loving union with God. If God can take simple bread and wine and make them his Body & Blood how much more does God take us and delight in us being the "Body and Blood of Christ" in the world today. This is not our doing, it is by God's graciousness alone. We are no better than anyone else, it is just that by faith, we are made aware of this relationship and by the Holy Spirit that we can begin to respond appropriately. This is the Good News to be shared respectfully with others.

God's big HUG and EMBRACE which is the Eucharist accompanies us at every stage of our lives. It is the hug and embrace of unconditional love which desires the best for us and nurtures the best in us. When we're very young its all hugs and kisses and comfort. As we grow there is also encouragement. As we get older still there is also challenge. As we get older still its there is a call to loving service and responsibility. We are never ready for so great a gift or for so much love. We respond gradually, sometimes enthusiastically, sometimes indifferently, sometimes we rebel, maybe upset at God for not making things go as we would like. As long as we keep returning to the Source in humility with as much acceptance as we can muster the grace continues its work. Everything is turned to our good once we allow ourselves to be caught up in the flow of God's love which fills the whole creation. (DMA)

## *St Francis, Milford-on-Sea*

**Anniversaries this week:** Ethel Maria Maclean (18<sup>th</sup>), Charles Edward Benefer (21<sup>st</sup>), Patrick Richard Bond, James Albert Henry Brown, Margaret Mary Murphy (22<sup>nd</sup>), Valerie Cynthia Gatty (23<sup>rd</sup>)

**Sick & Housebound:** Sarah Bell, Kathleen Connaughton, Sean McVeigh & Hilary Sendall.

**URGENT REMEDIAL WORK – RESTRICTED ACCESS:** Urgent repair work needs to be carried to re-build the chimney rendered unsafe by masonry bees. This will mean that until 23<sup>rd</sup> June **access to the Sacristy & Flower/Store Room will be prohibited during working hours, Monday to Friday.** As Fr Peter Ryan is away for the next few weeks the Wednesday Service will be suspended until after 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

## *St Anne, Brockenhurst*

**Anniversaries this week:** Edgar Julian Chatterton, Eric Trevett (20<sup>th</sup>)

**LET US ALL REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:** those friends of ours who are house-bound: Kieran Holland, Anna Hubbard, Eileen Dunn and Bliss Morris.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** to Kevin Reardon who is celebrating 40 years as an Altar Server at St Anne's and as a member of the Guild of St Stephen

**WELL DONE EVERYONE:** for all that energy so willingly spent on the Summer Fete! All the work before, during and after the fete is greatly appreciated. No doubt we will all hear very soon, the financial result and any other comments that arose from the event. Now enjoy your relaxation!

**FOR OUR VISITORS:** There is a special book for you, always open on the table at the back of the church. You are welcome to write in it any comments that you have. More important, any prayer intentions that you may want to share with us. Please feel free, and then join us for a coffee in the parish room if you wish.

**THE 100 CLUB:** A gentle reminder that if you wish to join, or renew your membership, you should contact Bill Pignatelli, Anne Woolhouse or Cedric Lark as soon as possible, preferably **this weekend.** All Members are most welcome; it would be a great pity to lose this little 'flutter' club!

**THE CHOIR:** We are hitting hard times at the moment. Two of you needed a break and we're hoping that break-time is nearly over! Anyone who would care to join is will be most welcome. Sopranos are having a particularly hard time right now, so new blood would be very welcome. Why not give us a try?

**ST ANNE'S CONCERT:** will take place IN ST ANNE'S on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July, starting at 7.30pm. Do make sure that this is in your diary. See the notice in the porch for more details.

There is also a **'THREE CHOIR CONCERT'** at St Saviour's Church on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June, starting at the earlier time of 6pm

**BROCKENHURST CHURCHES TOGETHER:** offers Songs of Praise in the grounds of St Saviour's on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July at 3pm.

**Newsletter items** to Paddy at greenoaks@waitrose.com by Thurs please.

## *Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington*

**Anniversaries this week:** John Mansbridge (18th), Marie-Louise Bulloch -Moreau (19th), Canon Donal Murphy-O'Connor (22nd), Margaret Hayward-Broomfield (23rd)

**Sick and Housebound:** Cathy Pickles, Den Walker, Brian Choules, Terence & Betty Isles, Marie Smith, Celine McCay, Mary Aylward, Mary Norton, Chrissie James, Patricia Mate, Peter Strubin.

**FRIENDSHIP CLUB** is taking bookings for the trip to the Lavender Farm on Wednesday 21st June, calling into the Cadnam Garden Centre if time permits. Please call Fran on 678525 for details or transport.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE: FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** This Sunday, 18th June at the 10.30am Mass, we will be welcoming our children to the Table of the Lord for the first time. **ALL 23 PEWS WILL BE RESERVED FOR FAMILIES.** There will be seating in Joseph's Place but this will be limited. **If at all possible, please do attend one of our other Masses.**

**FLOWER BOXES:** The work on the flower boxes is now more or less complete. Those who have sponsored a box will have their dedication plaques attached in the next week or so. We will also put a security cover over the irrigation controller. If you would like to sponsor a box and have it dedicated to the memory of loved ones the cost is a one off payment of £250. A part sponsorship is similarly available at £50. The cost will include the provision of the plaque. Cheques should be made payable to: "PRCDTR-Lymington-Our Lady" Please contact Lisa in the Parish Office for further details.

## *All Parishes*

**CONGRATULATIONS:** To all our children making their First Holy Communion this weekend. We will keep them and their families in our prayers.

**DON'T MISS THIS EVENT, PUT IT IN YOUR DIARY: Thursday evening, 14th September 2017 at South Lawn Hotel, - Children of the Universe Fund Raising Dinner.** More information about this fun event closer to the time (from Keith & Rini Stuttaford).

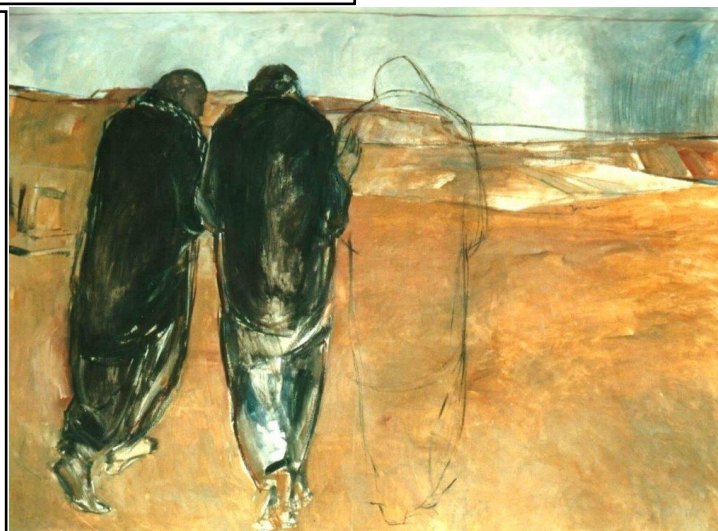
**BROCKENHURST MUSIC SOCIETY :** Kaleidoscope Saxophone Quartet, Monday 10th July 7.30pm, St Saviour's church, Brockenhurst Tickets £10 from Streets Ironmongers or £12 on the door.

**SUMMER CHARITY CONCERT:** Saturday 15th July @ 7.30pm, **St Anne's church,** Brockenhurst. Entry and interval refreshments by donation in aid of The Honeypot children's charity and Medecins sans Frontieres; Carol Johnson - Mezzo soprano, Accompanist Paul Spanton; The Frday Girls with David Hanks Bass/Baritone, Accompanist Cynthia Wilson

**FANNING THE FLAME:** Faith, Fun & fellowship Summer Camp, 21st - 25th August for ages 10-25yrs. Venue: St Dominic's Priory, Sway. For more information and booking forms: visit [www.fanningtheflame.co.uk](http://www.fanningtheflame.co.uk) or email: [ftfcm1995@gmail.com](mailto:ftfcm1995@gmail.com)

## **ST VINCENT DE PAUL**

**We are  
His hands  
to help  
the vulnerable  
in our midst**



**You  
Are  
His eyes  
To  
See  
them**