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 OPT

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Sacrament of Reconciliation:

From 10 - 10.30am after Mass on Saturdays or by request

Masses & Services for the Week: 29th July - 6th August

| DAY | DATE | TIME | SERVICE | CHURCH | LITURGY | INTENTION | Р |
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| SAT | 29 th | 6.00pm | Mass | Our Lady | 17 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (G) | Mary Margaret Ash RIP F/M | DMA |
| SUN | 30 th | 9.00a m | Mass | St Francis | 17 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (G) | Kathleen Connaughton RIP | DMA |
| SUN | 30 th | 10.30a m | Mass | Our Lady | 17 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (G) | As Per Celebrant | PWR |
| SUN | 30 th | 12.30pm | Baptism | Our Lady | Baptism of baby Phoebe Etheridge | N/A | DMA |
| SUN | 30 th | 6.00pm | Mass | St Anne | 17 th Sunday in Ordinary Time (G) | People of the Parish | DMA |
| MON | 31 st | 9.30a m | Word & HC | Our Lady | Stignatius Loyola, Mem, (W) | N/A | |
| TUE | 1 st | 9.30a m | Mass | Our Lady | St Alphonsus Liguori, Mem, (W) | Fr Abraham Jacob RIP Anniv F/M | DMA |
| WED | 2 nd | 9.30a m | Word & HC | Our Lady | of the Day (G) | N/A | |
| WED | 2 nd | 10.00a m | Mass | St Francis | of the Day (G) | For those who are unwell | DMA |
| WED | 2 nd | 10.00a m | Mass | St Anne | of the Day (G) | As Per Celebrant | PWR |
| THU | 3 rd | 9.30a m | Mass | Our Lady | of the Day (G) | Joseph & Flora Weld RIP F/M | DMA |
| FRI | 4 th | 9.30a m | Mass | Our Lady | St John Vianney, Mem, (W) | Harry Newenham RIP F/M | DMA |
| SAT | 5 th | 9.30a m | Mass | Our Lady | of the Day (G) | Joseph & Flora Weld RIP F/M | DMA |
| SAT | 5 th | 1.00pm | Baptism | Our Lady | Baptism of Sophie Olivia Mulcaire | N/A | DMA |
| SAT | 5 th | 6.00pm | Mass | Our Lady | Transfiguration of the Lord (W) | In Thanksgiving (AT) | DMA |
| SUN | 6 th | 9.00a m | Mass | St Francis | Transfiguration of the Lord (W) | People of the Parish | DMA |
| SUN | 6 th | 10.30a m | Mass | Our Lady | Transfiguration of the Lord (W) | Ada Janet Mills RIP F/M | DMA |
| SUN | 6 th | 6.00pm | Mass | St Anne | Transfiguration of the Lord (W) | The Baker Family F/M | DMA |

Forthcoming Special Collections or Appeals:

Sept 16/17 Home Missions

THE TREASURE WITHIN & WITHOUT

St Augustine said that "our hearts are restless till they rest in you, O Lord". If we desire peace, blessing, true joy and every good, there is only one source and that is God. But how do we find God, connect with God, be with God? From our little self-centred perspective God can seem so far away, so far above.

We are confused, our lives are a bundled of contradictions and conflicting desires and aspirations. Each of us, individually and all of us collectively are like the net full of fish. We are a mixture of good and bad, positive and negative. Only God can transform the bad into the good and bring peace and harmony to our souls and to humanity as a whole.

But what is impossible for us, is supremely possible for God. We cannot ascend to God so God has descended to us. We cannot find God, so God

has found us. We cannot reconcile ourselves to God, so God has reconciled the whole world to himself in the Christ.

The priceless pearl is, in the words of St Paul: "Christ among you, your hope of glory". It is the Holy Spirit within us uniting us to the Father and the Son and welling up as a spring of eternal life bringing joy, hope, restoration and everlasting love. The Kingdom of God, says Jesus, is not here or there, it is within us, among us.

We are graciously invited to connect to the Divine life within, a connection nourished by prayer and Sacred Liturgy, but a connection that we must personally respond to & seek to nurture. But even so it is all grace. This union in our deepest heart and soul is not a retreat into introspection or a flight from the world. Drawing on the Divine life within enables us rather to engage with the world to bring, above all by our actions, attitudes and our relationships, something of the peace and love of Christ. (DMA)

St Francis, Milford-on-Sea

Anniversaries this week: Constance Alice Uniacke (30th), Francis Eric Harrison-Dearle (2nd)

Sick & Housebound: Audrey Heneghan, Hannah McArthur, Sean McVeigh & Hilary Sendall.

STRAWBERRY CREAM TEA: next Saturday, 5th August at 2pm at Anne-Marie's house, next to the church. All proceeds to the African charities. Help needed: cakes, scones, raffle prizes & help on the day, please!! Contact Di Mussert tel: 643994, if you can help with any of this.

NEW FOREST BASICS BANK: There will be an appeal on behalf of NFBB, at Mass next Sunday. Please seriously consider making regular donations to this worthy cause, your local food bank. Please ask Anthony for a form

St Anne, Brockenhurst

Anniversaries this week: Terence Richard Houlihan (30th), Jean Weedall (1st), Paul Mangran (5th)

We welcome back Fr David Adams and also express our thanks to Fr Shaun Budden for making sure that we were able to celebrate Mass on Sundays during Fr David's holidays. Reading about many parishes around the country, we recognise our good fortune!

We must continue our prayers for Bliss Morris, Anne Hubbard, Eileen Dunn and Kieran Holland. We are grateful to our Lay Ministers who ensure that those confined, receive the Eucharist each week, but alas, Kieran is more critically ill now. So please don't forget him.

CTS booklets have at last been freshly ordered and should be with us shortly. The aim is that these will be renewed again shortly before Advent, and apologies for not renewing them some while ago. If anyone is interested in taking over the care of the CTS corner, Paddy would be very grateful. When the new display arrives, please do visit the stand. We do not ask you to pay for a booklet. Take it away with you and perhaps return it when you have finished, so that someone else may take it up. Be prudent about doing this, especially if you found the pamphlet at all helpful.

Fr Quarmby seems quite settled among us now, and his arm is recovering. So independence Is what he is beginning to enjoy again. However, our Chairman has asked if a few of us might invite him to a weekend lunch sometimes, to give him a break from his solitary living.

Children of the Universe Fund-raising Dinner. There's not a lot going on around the Church during August/ September, so why not make a note and then come to Keith and Rini Stuttaford's charity dinner on September 14th? (see 'All Parishes' section in the news sheet.)

A Parish Pastoral Council Meeting was held recently, so the Minutes will be available for you very shortly. Meanwhile, we are asked to place our candle monies in the slot in the wall at the back of the church, as the candle box has now been vandalised twice. Not so convenient perhaps, but necessary for now.

Did you Know...... that preparations are already being made by the Brazilian bishops for a 'Year of the Laity' from the Feast of Christ the King this year. This hopes to build upon all that Pope Francis seeks to achieve for the Church.

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

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 or email: ftfcm1995@gmail.com

Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington Anniversaries this week: Henry Isdell, Colin Craig (30"), Seymour

England (31st), Violet Christie (1st), Charles Frith (4^t

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

PARISH BAR-B-Q - IS NOW DRAWING NEAR!!: .

Everyone is welcome, especially our young people & visitors. We do need to have an idea of how many are planning to come. SO PLEASE SIGN UP ON THE SHEET **PROVIDED.** The main course will be provided but we need people to bring salads &/or puddings.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 100 CLUB WINNERS in the recent draw: Ben Scrace £36, Clare Bassett £27, Audrey Salmon £18, Frances Walker £14, Anne Reynolds £9. Numbers are still available if you would like to join the club. Please call 678525 or email fran.walker@talktalk.net for information.

FLOWER BOXES: The work on the flower boxes is now more or less complete. Those who have sponsored a box will have their dedication plagues 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
OUR THANKS TO FR SHAUN BUDDEN & FR PETER RYAN: for celebrating Mass for the parishes while I was away.

ANYONE WHO KNOWS THAT THEY ARE TO BE ADMITTED TO **HOSPITAL** is encouraged to contact Fr David (after July 25th) via the parish office with the dates and location of the hospital. The Sacrament of the Sick is available for everyone who is ill. It is a sacrament of strength, healing, peace and forgiveness. The sacrament can be given at home or in church after Mass. If anyone needs an emergency admission they are encouraged to instruct their next of kin to contact the chaplaincy care team at the hospital.

CHILDREN OF THE UNIVERSE FUNDRAISING DINNER: on Thursday 14th September 6.30 for 7.00 pm at South Lawn Hotel. Come and enjoy a three-course dinner (including a glass of wine), magic moments with magician Peter Thomas, entertainment by Nick and Hazel (formerly of the Cast Offs), raffle and auction.

Tickets now on sale only £25.00 each from Rini and Keith, phone 01590675386. Keith will speaking briefly at all Masses this weekend.

CAFOD Portsmouth Harvest Briefings: Join us at special Harvest Briefings at either Christchurch on Saturday 9 September from 10am to 12pm at St Joseph's Centre, Immaculate & St Joseph's, 67 Purewell, Christchurch BH23 1EH or Winchester on Saturday 23 September from 2.15pm to 4.15pm at St Stephen's Church Hall, Oliver's Battery Road, Winchester S022 4JB to find out more about CAFOD's work in El Salvador, the focus for Harvest Fast Day. Please book a place in advance via 01252 329385 or portsmouth@cafod.org.uk Thank you.

(Lynda Mussell will be leaving CAFOD next month. We thank her for all her work for CAFOD Portsmouth & offer our prayers & blessings for whatever she does in the future. (Her colleague Jo Lewry will be taking over the role)