

# 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

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**School:** Our Lady & St Joseph Catholic Primary School, Ramley Rd, Pennington, 01590 672711. **Head of School:** Nanette Allies

**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); Liz White (Mil).

**PA to Pastoral Co Ordinator & Health & Safety Co ordinator :** Linda Guilding; **Health & Safety Reps St Francis:** Colin Stack & John

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

## Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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

## Masses & Services for the Week: 2<sup>nd</sup> September - 10<sup>th</sup> September

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	CHURCH	LITURGY	INTENTION	P
SAT	2 <sup>nd</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	<b>22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ( G )</b>	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	<b>22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ( G )</b>	People of the Parish	DMA
SUN	3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	<b>22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ( G )</b>	People of the Parish	DMA
SUN	3 <sup>rd</sup>	12.30pm	Baptism	Our Lady	Baptism - Jocelyn Eve Curtis	N/A	DMA
SUN	3 <sup>rd</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	<b>22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ( G )</b>	as per celebrant	CB
MON	4 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the Day ( G )	as per celebrant	PWR
TUE	5 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the Day ( G )	Harry Newenham RIP F/M	DMA
WED	6 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Word & HC	Our Lady	of the Day ( G )	N/A	
WED	6 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Mass	St Francis	of the Day ( G )	as per celebrant	PWR
WED	6 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Mass	St Anne	of the Day ( G )	People of the Parish	DMA
THU	7 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the Day ( G )	Those who are unwell	DMA
FRI	8 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	The Nativity of the Bl. Virgin Mary, Feast, ( W )	John Bearcroft RIP	DMA
FRI	8 <sup>th</sup>	11.30am	<b>Funeral Service</b>	Our Lady	<b>Funeral Service - John Bearcroft RIP</b>	N/A	DMA
SAT	9 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the Day ( G )	Joseph & Flora Weld RIP F/M	DMA
SAT	9 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	<b>23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ( G )</b>	People of the Parish	DMA
SUN	10 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	<b>23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ( G )</b>	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	10 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	<b>23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ( G )</b>	People of the Parish	DMA
SUN	10 <sup>th</sup>	12.30pm	Baptism	Our Lady	Baptism - Nadia Helen Koprucka	N/A	DMA
SUN	10 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	<b>23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ( G )</b>	People of the Parish	DMA

**Forthcoming Special Collections or Appeals:** Sept 16/17 Home Missions; Sept 30 - CAFOD Harvest appeal  
Oct 14/15 - SVP Appeal & Collection; Oct 21/22 - Foreign Missions Collection; Nov 4/5 Bamenda Collection

### God's Way of Thinking!

Our readings for this Sunday are rich in many ways. We see Jeremiah struggling with the difficult and unpopular task to which God had called him. He had to warn the political and religious leaders that the policies they were pursuing would only end in disaster. His truth-telling was not appreciated! Jeremiah tried to suppress and ignore his calling but he couldn't do it.

We see Peter, no sooner had he been blessed with Divine insight given by the Father, than he falls back into an all too understandable human way of thinking. Like all of us, Peter & Jeremiah recoil from suffering or even the thought of it. We don't wish it on others and to seek it for ourselves would be morbid. So we sympathise with them both here.

However, God didn't call Jeremiah to suffer but to speak "truth to power". Jesus wasn't determined to suffer pain and death. He was determined to do the Father's will, to be faithful to his Father & to his sisters and brothers. He was indeed determined to stay this course even if it meant suffering and death.

The logic of a love that is so strong and pure that it is willing to suffer for the good of the other is the way of our God, who is love. The "way of the world" is only interested in self-advantage to the detriment of the other.

It is good to know that the heroes of our faith, who received Divine callings, were still very human and could get themselves in a mess just like we do. We too can and do receive God's blessings and inspirations and we too can be called to bear witness and to speak the truth courageously. We too are called to love and to accept the cross (the sacrifices) that true love inevitably requires of us. As St Therese of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face remarked, we don't carry our crosses gloriously, but like Jesus, we stumble and fall. And if we persevere the strength has come not from ourselves but only from God.

Finally, Paul reminds us that this Divine wisdom is received primarily by loving and not just by thinking. God has given God's self to us. We are invited to give ourselves to God and to allow God to give us the "new mind", the "mind of Christ" which will enable us to change our behaviour. It will help us understand what God wants. We don't try to change our behaviour to make God love us, that is a futile endeavour. God already loves us, it is by accepting that love, and only by that love that we can begin to change our behaviour for the better. Can this be our prayer? (DMA)

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

**Anniversaries this week:** Ena Batty (5<sup>th</sup>), Leon Pach (6<sup>th</sup>), George Karpowicz (8<sup>th</sup>)

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

**MANY THANKS FOR YOUR GREAT RESPONSE** to Anthony's appeal for Basics Bank. Please return the completed forms to him or to Basics Bank cabin soon!

## *St Anne, Brockenhurst*

**Anniversaries this week:** William Reed (5<sup>th</sup>), Elizabeth Farley (6<sup>th</sup>), Frederick Hector (7<sup>th</sup>)

**Please do remember to pray** for the members of our community who rely upon us: Eileen Dunn, Bliss Morris, Anna Hubbard, Jo Chatterton and Kieran Holland.

**Fr Quarmby** will say Mass on the usual days, Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. and Saturday at 10am. We are grateful to Fr who is now helping us by taking over the unlocking of the church each morning, making sure that the task is not forgotten, so that now there is a guaranteed chance of us being able to hear Mass any day of the week. There are not many parishes left now who have that luxury!

**Welcome, Fr Charlie!** There are many of us who have very much looked forward to seeing you again and hopefully, hearing more about your present new parish. We hope that you are in not too much of a hurry.

**Basics Bank** Please don't let your memories blunt your good intentions! There's a big plastic box at the back of the church, hoping to be packed full with your helpful donations for Harvest Sunday. Remember the helpful lists that can be seen in the church porch and in the parish hall. More important: Basics Bank is having a difficult time providing enough to match the needs at present. So help from us all is much needed.

**Flower Arranging group.** Hopefully there are more of us back from holiday this weekend and some of you may be interested in the flower arranging classes that are on offer. Starting on 14th September, these will be run in the Methodist church hall from the 14<sup>th</sup>, 9.30am – 11.30 for 8 weeks at a cost of £8 per session. They should be fun and, hopefully will lead a few of us to feel more confident to offer our services in the all-too-small flower arranging group. Have a think about it, but don't think for too long! Just phone Anna Mellor on 624587.

**Please remember your sub-editor and keep the sheet alive and up to date. Just tell me the item and I'll write up the rest. Send it to [greenoaks@waitrose.com](mailto:greenoaks@waitrose.com) before Thursday lunch time. Thank you!**

## *All Parishes*

The **Apostleship of the Sea** and **Caritas** are organising a joint "**Stella Maris**" Drop-in centre in **St. Bernard's Holbury** to provide a place of welcome and hospitality to seafarers arriving at Southampton dock. For those volunteers who have already signed up or who have not signed up but interested in learning more, please note that a training session will take place at: **St. Bernard's, Holbury on Tuesday September 5th at 7pm.** As the project is expected to get underway by mid to late September, please come along to learn more about how to help this forgotten group of people who work so hard under severe and often exploitative conditions to bring so many goods to our country".

## *Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington*

**Anniversaries this week:** James McCafferty (2nd), Cecil Frogley, Howard Neal (3rd), Mary Wright, Mary Elizabeth Wilson (7th), Mary Kelly (8th)

**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.

**CWL:** The next meeting of the CWL will be at 2.15 on Tuesday 12th September in Joseph's Place. We hope you will all be able to come.

**MISSIO Red Box Collection:** We will be having a collection point for MISSIO Red Boxes at the back of the church at Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses next weekend (9th & 10th Sept) and the following weekend (16th & 17th Sept). If you have a Red Box and are able to bring it along, it would be much appreciated. Please make sure that your box has your name on it before handing in, so that we can identify your donation. Any queries, please contact Jenny on 01590-610413.

**PARISH SCHOOL MASS:** at the school on **Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> Sept at 9am.** All are welcome. Consequently, there will be **NO** 9.30am Mass at OLSJ church on that day.

**SINCERE AND GRATEFUL THANKS** from Den and Fran Walker for prayers, good wishes and support from parishioners during Den's recent illness. There will be a Thank You cake for everyone in Joseph's Place after Mass on Sunday.

**FRIENDSHIP CLUB:** meets on Monday 4th September from 2-4pm in Joseph's Place. We will have our usual program of quiz, raffle and afternoon tea and Jill will tell us about her holiday in France. We will be taking bookings for our trip to Highcliffe Castle and Lidl's on Monday 18th September leaving the church at 11am. Mel will also be announcing future dates for the Friendship Singers so bring your diaries. For information or transport please call Fran on 678525. Everyone most welcome.

**MANY THANKS** to everyone who helped and contributed to the coffee morning on Saturday **which raised £120 for Going for Bust**, the breast cancer charity. We were pleased to give this amount to the charity on behalf of the parish.

**Housekeeper/Cleaner required 2 hours weekly** or 4 hours per fortnight in Lymington town, near Mayflower Pub. Modern house, kind single lady owner. Phone: 01590 670770.

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**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 each from Rini and Keith, phone 01590675386. **Don't miss this great evening out. Get your tickets now to avoid disappointment.**

**CELEBRATE WEEKEND** is taking place at St. George Catholic College on Sat. 30th Sept. & Sun. 1st Oct. A "Faith Filled" weekend with Teachings, Praise & Worship, Seminars, Daily Mass, Dramas & Mimes and Reconciliation. A real celebration of our faith. Children's streams are available with age appropriate teaching. Full details can be found on [www.celebrateconference.org](http://www.celebrateconference.org) or by phoning Peter & Lynda on: 02380292058. Last year we were fully booked so it would be advisable for anyone wishing to attend to apply in good time. **For reasons of security and safeguarding we are not able to accept anyone who "turns up on the day".**