

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

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

St Anne
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St Francis of Assisi
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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:

Saturdays at Our Lady & St Joseph
10-10.30am

Masses & Services for the Week: 30th June - 8th July

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	CHURCH	LITURGY	INTENTION	P
SAT	30 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	13 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	Joseph & Flora Weld RIP F/M	DMA
SUN	1 st	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	13 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	David Bell RIP Anniv	DMA
SUN	1 st	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	13 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	Ernest Ash RIP F/M	DMA
SUN	1 st	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	13 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
MON	2 nd	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	13 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
TUE	3 rd	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	St Thomas, Apostle, Feast (R)	Harry Miller & Mary Ash-Miller RIP Anniv F/M	DMA
WED	4 th	9.30am	Word & H C	Our Lady	13 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	N/A	
WED	4 th	10.00am	Mass	St Anne	13 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
WED	4 th	10.00am	Mass	St Francis	13 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	Joseph & Flora Weld RIP F/M	DMA
THU	5 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	13 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	Harry Newenham RIP F/M	DMA
FRI	6 th	9.30am	Word & H C	Our Lady	13 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	N/A	
FRI	6 th	10.30am	Funeral Service	St Francis	For the late Hanny McArthur RIP	N/A	DMA
SAT	7 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	13 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	For those who are unwell	DMA
SAT	7 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	14 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	8 th	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	14 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	Joseph & Flora Weld RIP F/M	DMA
SUN	8 th	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	14 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	The Baker Family F/M	DMA
SUN	8 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	14 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	Canon John Hally RIP F/M	DMA

NEXT SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: PETER'S PENCE Jun 30th/Jul 1st; APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA Jul 7th/8th,

HEALING SOCIETY FROM THE BOTTOM UP

The crowd gathered around Jesus, by the sea, is comprised mostly of the poor class of the day. The two main characters in this saga are from opposite classes. Shame and honour codes require different treatment of both. Jairus, a ruling class personage, approached Jesus as an equal. Contrast Jairus with the woman, an unclean, lower class personage. The woman is nameless she has no status. No one comes forward to defend her. Mark makes no bones about the serious nature of her poverty and illness. She has been treated poorly by doctors and has spent all her income trying to get well, but to no avail. She is an outcast's outcast.

The restoration of the woman is dramatic. According to the levirate law, she was permanently segregated from the community. Her blood disorder demanded it. She was not permitted to contaminate the community. Adding insult to injury, she was further abused by the very system that should have helped her-the medical community. In antiquity the poor who were in dire need of medical attention were often taken advantage of. The woman had spent everything she had and had nothing to show for her efforts. Jesus, the Great Physician, will cure her and charge her nothing. Jesus violates the purity code and his own purity by touching her, just as he did in the healing of the leper. Her healing signified restoration to physical wholeness as well as social wholeness. The healing restored her to the community. Jairus came to Jesus out of a privileged social class that rejected him-not as a member of that class, but as an individual in great need. Jairus's plea was interrupted by an outcast woman who touched Jesus and subsequently fell at Jesus' knees to pay him homage. According to the culture, the official deserved greater attention and higher priority.

From the bottom of the honour scale she intrudes upon the daughter of someone on the top of the honour scale-but by the story's conclusion, she herself has become the 'daughter' at the centre of the story. " Jesus elevated the woman to a status greater than Jesus' male disciples because she had faith greater than theirs.

Jesus continues on his first mission-to heal Jairus's daughter. The official mourning had already commenced. Mark highlights their disbelief. Jesus throws everyone out of the house. Jesus dismisses everyone but the parents of the girl and the disciples. He completes his mission, takes the girl by the hand, and restores her to life. The erudite symbolism of the moment is irresistible. The number twelve is of great significance.

The girl represents the twelve tribes of Israel. Mark's Jesus believes he is presiding at the collapse of the social order determined by Jairus's Judaism. The twelve-year-old daughter of privilege was dead. The woman with no privilege suffered for twelve years not only with the physical ailment, but with the effects of exclusive purity codes. She took the initiative to restore her status. She reached out to gain access. She sought freedom. Jesus responded to her initiative. Israel need only embrace the reign of God in their midst, thereby tearing down the walls of social and religious status. In the reign of God, all are welcome.

'This alone will liberate the lowly outcast and snatch the 'noble' from death. Mark's narrative of symbolic action thus achieves the same effect as Matthew's blunt announcement to the Jewish leaders that 'tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you' (Mt 21:3 1)-and with equal shock value"! (source unknown)

St Francis, Milford-on-Sea

Anniversaries this week: Filippus Michael Militsopoulos (1st), Jane Mary Beavon (1st), David Whiteford Erskine Bell (2nd), Brian John Marshall (5th), John Noble (7th)

Sick & Housebound: Gill Boddington, Sarah Bell, Alison Doubleday, Margaret Langford, Hannah McArthur, Sean McVeigh, Sarah Nicholls & Hilary Sendall.

Joanna "Hanny" McArthur RIP: Sadly Hanny passed away at Lymington Hospital last Monday. Our condolences are with Simon & Nigel and their families. The Funeral Service will take place in St Francis on Friday, 6th July at 10.30am. The Committal will take place at Romsey Crematorium at 12.15pm. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.

LYMINGTON CHORAL SOCIETY: are holding their Summer Lunch on Friday, 6th July 2018 at the Milford on Sea Community Centre. Time: 12.30pm for 1pm. Tickets on the door only, £6.00 per person. 2 Course Lunch, bar available, ample parking beside the centre.

STRAWBERRY CREAM TEA- Advance notice: It's that time of year again and once more Ann Marie and Andrew have kindly offered their gorgeous garden as a venue for our Strawberry Cream Tea. This is planned for **Saturday 14th. July between 2 pm and 4.15 pm** and, as usual, will be in aid of our African charities. Di would be very grateful for any help you can offer and nearer the date will be looking for volunteer 'bakers', waitresses etc together with a few strong men to help with the erection of gazebos and shift chairs. Please come and support us if you can to enjoy a lovely, friendly afternoon in beautiful surroundings and share a delicious tea of homemade scones, cakes, strawberries and cream. Tickets will cost £4.50 and will be available after Mass from 1st. July. Please contact Di on 01590 643994 for further information or offers of help.

WEDNESDAY 18TH JULY: We are very warmly invited to **All Saints' Church for the Mothers' Union Annual Service**, starting at 2pm, followed by Tea in All Saints' Church Hall. We usually gather a good number of us to attend, so please let Helen know (645001) by Sunday 8th July if you are able to join the group of us attending. Thank you.

St Anne, Brockenhurst

Anniversaries this week: John Gabony (2nd)

Sick and housebound. Please keep Anna Hubbard and Margaret White in your prayers

Fr Quarmby's will be away this week.

Ramp for wheelchair users A new aluminium folding ramp has been purchased for the church and the presbytery and can be found in the church porch, behind the door. The new ramp is longer than the old wooden one, which will make it easier to use.

Date for the diary This year's House Mass will be on Friday, 17 August at Henrietta's house in Sway. Time to be confirmed.

Any items for the newsletter to anna@boylemellor.co.uk to arrive by Thursday morning.

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HELPING THE HOMELESS IN OUR AREA: Join with other Christians in our area to find out how to help the homeless. There will be a meeting at St Saviour's Church Hall, Brockenhurst, on Monday, 9th July at 7.45pm.

EVENTS AT WISDOM CENTRE, ROMSEY: Our Quiet days for the rest of the year are as follows:

Saturday 21st July Self Development Day: A Day for You.

Saturday 11th August Ignatian Spirituality: A Journey of Quiet Contemplation in the Ignatian Tradition.

Saturday 15th September A Map of the Soul: Jung and Prayer.

Saturday 13th October Prayer: Heart Speaks to Heart.

Saturday 17th November Advent: Make your Own Advent Wreath.

Saturday 24th November Celtic Advent - A Winter Quiet Day

All days run from 10am - 4pm with tea and coffee from 9.30am.

Suggested offering £29 which includes all refreshments and lunch. More information on their website.

Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington

Anniversaries this week: Eileen Aylward (30th), Ellen Emmett (1st), Anne Keddie (2nd), Kains Coles, James Flood (3rd), Margaret Broomfield (6th)

Sick and Housebound: Sheila Quinn, Ciaran Chrisp, Terry Iles, Mai Wilson, Den Walker, Brian Choules, Len Harley, Marie Smith, Celine McCay, Mary Norton, Patricia Mate, Henry Haverty

OUR LADY AND ST JOSEPH PRIMARY SCHOOL: We are really fortunate to have such a wonderful local Catholic primary school in our parish but **our school needs to recruit more governors.** If you would like to know more about what is involved in being a governor please contact: pam.morrissey@hotmail.co.uk, Chair of Governors.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB: Next meeting Monday 2nd July, 2 p.m. at Josephs Place. Added fun this time when people talk about items in their 'bucket list'!. Two weeks later, Monday 16th July, an outing to Mabel's Café at Swallowmead Nurseries, Boldre. A lovely relaxing time especially if the good weather lasts.

NEW FOREST BASICS BANK: This is a **Churches Together in Lymington** initiative that provides parcels of food and essential supplies to people who are in desperate need and have been recommended by Agencies working with these people, e.g. Citizens Advice Bureau. Parcels are distributed from the Cabin behind the URC Church in the High Street on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday each week to addresses between Lymington and New Milton. Each church is allocated a week every three months to be responsible for the deliveries that week. Normally there are about 4 or 5 parcels to be delivered each day and they have to be collected about 11.30 am for immediate delivery. **OUR CHURCH IS TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DELIVERIES THIS COMING WEEK. If anyone is able to make the deliveries NEXT WEDNESDAY (JULY 4TH) OR NEXT FRIDAY (JULY 6TH) please contact Pam Gorman 01590 678798.**

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NOT YOUR AVERAGE "HEN" DO!! in preparation for Vicki Mussert's wedding, she, Patricia Sey & other lucky "hens" are spending a weekend at the **CALAIS REFUGEE CAMP.** (Yes! Its true!) They will leave on 3rd August & want to take with them a couple of car boots full of useful things for the refugees. Please help them in this mission of mercy. For a full list of the most needed things please see the poster. Please call Patricia on 07593355184 or Vicki on 07812010232 for more info or to arrange collection of donations.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT WORKSHOP – SAT 7TH JULY: You are warmly invited to a workshop that will look at the process of a parish helping people going through dying and bereavement. Our main speaker will be Kathryn Turner, head of the Department for Spirituality in the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle. It will be held at **Milner Hall, next to the Winchester parish centre, between 10am - 12.30pm.** Please book a free place by contacting Philippa Foster, the Leader of the Pastoral Care Services team in the diocese, on pfoster@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. If you cannot come but would be interested in registering your interest in this important pastoral care work, please email Philippa too, who is looking to help parishioners and parishes develop bereavement support.

HELP PEOPLE WHO SUFFER FROM TORTURE: There are many victims of torture who have escaped to the UK but who retain terrible psychological injuries. "Freedom From Torture" is a UK charity which effectively works to heal these people. Music has been found to be very helpful in this healing process. Judith and Anthony Kirke have launched an appeal to buy them a sounding bowl which is a very simple, beautiful and easy to play musical instrument. *Freedom From Torture's* music therapist said that he would be delighted to have such a fabulous simple instrument. He would let his clients use it because they find music so calming and healing and without it some people may not recover at all. We would be delighted if you would make a small contribution towards meeting our target of £2,000. Please donate by going to: <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/anthonykirke>. More information on sounding bowls can be found at: www.soundingbowls.com.