

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:

Saturdays at Our Lady & St Joseph
10-10.30am

Masses & Services for the Week: 7th July - 15th July

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	CHURCH	LITURGY	INTENTION	P
SAT	7 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	14 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	The Baker Family F/M	DMA
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)	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	8 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	14 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	Canon John Hally RIP F/M	DMA
MON	9 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	14 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
TUE	10 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	14 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	Joseph Weld RIP F/M	DMA
WED	11 th	9.30am	Word & H C	Our Lady	St Benedict, Feast, (W)	N/A	
WED	11 th	10.00am	Mass	St Anne	St Benedict, Feast, (W)	People of the Parishes	DMA
WED	11 th	10.00am	Mass	St Francis	St Benedict, Feast, (W)	as per celebrant	PWR
THU	12 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	14 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	Pope Francis's Intentions	DMA
FRI	13 th	9.15am	Mass	SCHOOL	SCHOOL MASS	For OLSJ School Community	DMA
SAT	14 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	14 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	For those who are unwell	DMA
SAT	14 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	15 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	15 th	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	15 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	15 th	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	15 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	15 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	15 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	People of the Parishes	DMA

NEXT SPECIAL COLLECTION: THIS WEEKEND - Jul 7th/8th APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA ,

CONTENT WITH WEAKNESS

Mark summarises the reaction of the Nazareth community to their fellow citizen: "And they would not accept him." For them, the sheer ordinariness of Jesus cancels out his new wisdom and works. Nothing kills like frozen familiarity. How does Jesus react to the locals? He says to them: A prophet is only despised in his own country among his own relations and in his own house. This is a hard saying. The other evangelists soften it saying, "No prophet is accepted in his own country." In Mark's version Jesus is rejected by his own relations and by those in his own house. Mark has already told us that Jesus' relatives believe him to be out of his mind (3:21): now the rejection seems to be complete. Jesus' experience of rejection in Nazareth renders him powerless to do any miracle among his own people. This is an extraordinary statement about the human Jesus: people's lack of trust limits his ministry. Jesus is profoundly affected by the way people react to him. He is not a robot, programmed for flawless performance, indifferent to all responses. Distrust disables him. So he moves elsewhere, refusing to be enslaved by his failure to reach his own people. And he never returns to Nazareth again.

By coping with discouragement and failure, Jesus points beyond himself to the power of the Father. The cross of Jesus becomes the most striking symbol of weakness pointing beyond itself, beyond the brokenness of Jesus to the glory of the resurrection. New life emerges out of dereliction. This theme, so constant in the writing of Paul, is applied by the apostle to his own life.

Paul shares a very personal experience. He has come to learn that his own weaknesses are not a problem for God, as if God has no truck with poor achievers. Paul's human limitations, which refuse to go away, not only force him to be more realistic about himself, they also force him to change his image of God. Paul discovers through his own handicap that God's grace does work through human frailty: "So I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me, and that is why I am content with my weaknesses...For it is when I am weak that I am strong."

Being content with our weaknesses is not an attitude that comes easy to most of us, educated to be content with nothing less than perfection. We might still suspect that God disassociates himself from those who are beaten down by their own limitations; but, like Paul, we have to learn that God isn't like that. Failure and human weakness give God immense scope to act out his own purposes.

Nazareth was the beginning of a new road for Jesus. Paul's thorn in the flesh was the occasion for a whole new way of looking at God and at himself. And we know from experience that when we admit our failures and limitations, that exercise in honesty can mark the beginning of a new understanding. If God can take failure in his stride, we might even end up boasting about God's fantastic style!

(From *Seasons of the Word* by Denis McBride)

St Francis, Milford-on-Sea

Anniversaries this week: Leonard John Runyard (9th), Ethel Annie Marsden, Raymond Wendell Beachey (10th), Leslie Frank (11th), Margaret Nash (12th), Ina Veronica Barlow, Mary Elizabeth Halle (13th), Edward John Diggins (14th)

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

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: Canon Hally, Clara Sanders (8th), Maria Vitoria, Edward Rymer (9th), Elaine Duprez (10th), Rosina Edwards, Edward Nally, Patricia Brand (13th), Arthur Dodger (14th)

Sick and housebound: Please keep Anna Hubbard and Margaret White in your prayers. Please also pray for Fr Jamie McGrath who is recovering from surgery.

Fr Quarmby's Masses Fr Quarmby is on holiday until 22 July.

Second Collection this weekend for the Apostleship of the Sea.

Letter from Father Charlie: Below is an extract from the Thank You letter and receipt from Fr Charlie to Fr David and the Parishioners of St Anne's Parish for the money raised at the Summer Fair and Henrietta's Lunch. The full letter and photographs are on the noticeboard in the Parish Rooms. *Thank you so much! A few days ago I received word that a total of £1,125.50 has been raised to support the work of the Church in Malawi. Thank you soooooooooooooooooooooo much! I am really grateful to Father David Adams and you all for deciding to assist again the people of Malawi and also for such a generous donation, which I'm sure was the result of a lot of hard work on the part of many people in the parish. Zikomo kwambiri! (Thank you so much!)*

Songs of Praise This annual event with the Ringwood Salvation Army Brass Band will be held in the grounds of St Saviour's Church on Sunday 15 July at 3 pm. Please see the notice in the porch.

Brockenhurst & Sway Friday Group is an independent, self-funding day centre affiliated to Age Concern Hampshire that meets at Brockenhurst Village Hall every Friday offering social day care and friendship to those isolated, elderly residents living in Brockenhurst and Sway. The service needs to increase its team of volunteers and would welcome applications from both men and women. The volunteer rota is flexible around half day sessions to fit in with your availability and you do not need to commit to every week. If you would like more information please speak to Annabelle or contact the Manager, Helen Barnett on 01590 623860 or email brockswaydc@gmail.com.

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

A Day of Reflection will be held on Saturday, 29th September, entitled "Life: Beginning at the End". Details to follow later

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.

Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington

Anniversaries this week: John Ogden (7th), Katherine Griffin, Terence Shelley (8th), George Davies (9th), Claire Harris (11th)

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.

CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE: The CWL will meet on Tuesday 10th July at 2.15pm in Joseph's Place. We do not have a speaker.

MASS ON FRIDAY 13TH JULY will be at 9.15am at Our Lady & St Joseph Primary School and NOT 9.30am at OLMSJ church, Lymington. It is a Mass to say farewell to Year 6 pupils. All are welcome.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB: Monday 16th July - a visit to Shallowmead Nurseries, Boldre. A tour of the growing nurseries then into Mabel's café. Nice food and lovely gardens to sit in the sun and socialise. On Monday 20th August another outing on m.v. 'Alison McGregor' to see the big ships in Southampton Water. Contact Neville 01590 688337 for all events.

100 CLUB: Congratulations to our 100 Club winners who are as follows:- £38 Anne Thomas No.93, £29 Eric Sey No 79, £19 Martha Medina No 6, £14 Wendy Gallagher No 12, £10 Keith Stuttaford No 51. The next draw will take place at the end of September.

A HUGE THANK YOU to our parishioners who braved the heat on Saturday 30th June in Joseph's Place to raise the sum of £210.21 for the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance. This amount will be sent to the Air Ambulance charity on behalf of the parish.

OUR THANKS to Pete Lawes who has sponsored the church flowers in loving memory of his partner Leigh, sorely missed and so fondly remembered. May he rest in peace.

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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.

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.