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

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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 & Servi	es for the Week: 28 th .	July - 5 th	August

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	CHURCH	LITURGY	INTENTION	Р
SAT	28 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	17 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	Mary Margaret Ash RIP F/M	DMA
SUN	29 th	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	17 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	Fr Abraham Jacob RIP Anniv F/M	DMA
SUN	29 th	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	17 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	Sheila Glennon RIP	DMA
SUN	29 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	17 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	as per celebrant	PW R
MÓN	30 th	9.30a m	Mass	Our Lady	17 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	as per celebrant	PW R
MON	30 th	9.30a m	Burial of Ashes	Lym Cemetery	Elizabeth Richards RIP	N/A	DMA
MON	30 th	11.00a m	Requiem Mass	St Anne	Requiem Mass & Burial	Count Ireneuss W. M. Michalowski RIP	DMA
TUE	31 st	9.30a m	Mass	Our Lady	St Ignatius Loyola, Mem (W)	Seymour England RIP Anniv	DMA
WED	1 st	9.30a m	Word & H C	Our Lady	St Alphonsus Liguori, Mem (W)	N/A	
WED	1 st	10.00a m	Mass	St Anne	St Alphonsus Liguori, Mem (W)	as per celebrant	PW R
WED	1 st	10.00a m	Mass	St Francis	St Alphonsus Liguori, Mem (W)	Joseph & Flora Weld RIP F/M	DMA
THU	2 nd	9.30a m	Mass	Our Lady	17 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	Salvatore Pent RIP 1st Anniversary	DMA
FRI	3 rd	9.30a m	Mass	Our Lady	17 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	Kate Dicksee RIP	DMA
SAT	4 th	9.30a m	Mass	Our Lady	St John Vianney, Mem (W)	For those who are unwell	DMA
SAT	4 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	18 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	Ada Janet Mills RIP F/M	DMA
SUN	5 th	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	18 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	5 th	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	18 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	as per celebrant	PW R
SUN	5 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	18 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	The Baker Family F/M	DMA

NEXT SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: Sept 8th/9th - SVP Appeal; Sept 15th/16th Home Missions

THE BREAD OF LIFE: HUNGER AND POWER

In today's Gospel we see Christ blessing bread. A large crowd of Galileans, impressed by the wonders of Jesus' healing, has followed him into the hills on the far side of the lake. At the sight of the droves of people, Jesus turns to Philip, who is from the locality, to ask where food can be bought. Andrew has spotted a small boy who has five barley loaves and two fish, but this poor man's lunch doesn't appear to the disciple to be much of a resource. What the disciples have to learn is that Jesus is not only resourceful, he himself is the resource.

Jesus takes the food the boy is willing to share; he gives thanks to God for it; he then gives the food to the waiting people. When everyone is satisfied, nothing is lost: the scraps are collected "from the meal of five barley loaves." At the end of the story the emphasis is on the bread. With Jesus as the resource, the bread of the poor is seen to be enough to satisfy the hunger of so many people. In the hands of Jesus, shortage becomes abundance, deficiency becomes plenty, nothing is lost of what has been given to him.

After the crowds take the food, they want to take Jesus by force and make him king. Their action is the kind of suspect gratitude that Dr. Johnson described as "a lively sense of favours still to come." But Jesus is not going to be tempted to exercise that kind of fragile power and authority. In the Gospels of Luke and Matthew Jesus fights his temptation in the wilderness; here in John's Gospel, the temptation comes not from the devil but from a crowd of Galileans. But Jesus knows when to run. He does, into the hills.

Jesus is happy to satisfy the hunger of the crowd by offering them the bread of the poor; he is not happy to satisfy their hunger for power by agreeing to become their king. There are some hungers Jesus refuses to satisfy: the hunger for domination is one of them. He is bread that is offered, a lordship of care that is a sign of God's ultimate reign when all will be fed. He rejects the lordship of domination, the destructive power of which he sees all around him.

Perhaps Jesus believes that the power which lords it over other people is one that keeps bread from the hungry, a power that steals the community's resources to secure its own superiority. This is something we are beginning to appreciate ourselves – especially with our massive defence spending. And that spending is related to other issues, not least the hunger of many people. As President Eisenhower observed: "Every gun that is made, every warship launched, every rocket fired signifies, in the final sense, a theft from those who hunger and are not fed, from those who are cold and are not clothed."

The power that dominates with force steals from the hungry multitudes. In saying no to the Galileans who would make him king, Jesus gives us the model of Christian leadership – one that must forever escape from being made in the image of secular power, because it must be free to offer itself to all the multitude. That is Jesus' challenge to us all. Only when we share the little we appear to have, will we discover how much we have left over. That truth can only be discovered by doing it. (From Seasons of the Word by Denis McBride)

St Francis, Milford-on-Sea Anniversaries this week: Constance Alice Uniacke (30th), Francis Eric

Harrison-Dearle (2nd)

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

MISSING CAKE TIN: Unfortunately after the event it was discovered that a special cake tin had gone missing. It is a proper tin one and part of a set, marked with the name Mary Higgins. If you bought a cake on Saturday and inadvertently took it home in this tin we would be very grateful if it could be returned to St. Francis church so that it can be reunited with the rest of the set. Alternatively you can contact Di on 01590 643994 and I will arrange to collect it. Thank you.

Sunday 29th July: Annual Service "Songs of Praise" 5:30pm at Keyhaven Quay. All the community together, plus Salvation Army band. Bring something to sit on if you wish.

Calling all Quizzers - Reserve the date! Friday September 14th in All Saints Church Hall 7pm. A big quiz night is being organised for St Francis Parishioners plus as many friends and family as we can accommodate - Spread the word! Lymington and Brockenhurst all welcome. All proceeds will go to our African Charities. Roger Maughan will give an update in the next few weeks about the wonderful fundraising results achieved over the last few years. The tickets, which will be available on a first come first served basis, so don't miss out! We will publish more reminders as the date approaches. Contact Kathryn, Liz, Roger or Andrew for further details.

St Anne, Brockenhurst

Anniversaries this week: Terence Richard Houlihan (30th), Jean Weedall

Count Ireneuss Wladyslaw Michael Michalowski (known as Nicky) RIP: Nicky has died aged 93 years. His Requiem Mass will be celebrated at St Anne's on Monday, 30th July at 11.00am and will be followed by burial in Brockenhurst Cemetery in the existing grave of his late wife, the Countess Patricia Michalowski who died in June 1999. We pray for his bereaved family and the repose of his soul. May he rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.

Sick and Housebound: Please keep Anna Hubbard in your prayers. Please also pray for Fr Jamie McGrath and Henrietta Reynolds who are both recovering from surgery.

Deacon Hilary is unwell and confined to his room at Forest Oaks following a fall this week. Please keep him particularly in your thoughts and pray that he will have a speedy return to good health.

Fr Quarmby's Masses: Monday 11am: Tues 8am: Wed. Thurs. Fri. Sat 10am

Exposition and Benediction is being planned for one hour following the 10am Mass on the Feast of the Assumption, Wednesday 15th August.

Urgent Basics Bank Appeal: Please remember the Basics Bank box at the back of the church and respond generously to the appeal during this time of acute need. A full list of items that will be gratefully received is on the noticeboard in the porch.

Church Locking Rota: Paddy has revised the locking rota and asks that all those who are on the rota to please pick up the revised list of names and numbers at the back of the church and that they arrange cover should they not be available.

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

Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington Anniversaries this week: Eric Powell (29th), Henry Isdell, Colin Craig,

Andrea Salmon (30th), Seymour England (31st), Violet Christie (1st), Salvatore 'Sal' Gaetano Pent (2nd), Joseph Manghan (3rd)

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

KATE DICKSEE RIP: Kate's Funeral Service will be at Southampton Crematorium West Chapel at 2.30pm on Friday, 10th August. Fr David will celebrate a Requiem Mass for Kate at 9.30am on Friday, 10th August at OLSJ. We will keep Kate & her family in our prayers. May Kate rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.

Elizabeth Kathleen de Warrenne Waller RIP: Funeral Service, Friday, 10th August at 1300hrs in Our Lady & St Joseph's, followed by burial at Lymington Cemetery. Elizabeth lived in Lymington for many years at 12 West Way, Pennington. She left to be nearer her daughters in Tunbridge Wells. She died peacefully after a long illness. Our prayers are with her & her family. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.

GUESS WHO'S DOING A WINGWALK? Our lovely Norah Holder, 80 years young and proud grandmother will be singing her heart out to the hymn of "Nearer to my God am I" while flying over Oxford and standing on the wing of an aircraft. She will be raising funds for **Oakhaven Hospice** on Saturday 18th August. Please sponsor by visiting her justgiving page: https:// www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Norah-Holder

FREE WILL writing service for CAFOD supporters: Draft your Will with a solicitor face-to-face or on the telephone. No obligation to include a gift to CAFOD. To use this service, email legacy@caford.org.uk or call 020 7095 5367.

Come and hang out at the Adventure Club, we have Crafts, Cooking and Adventure on Thursday mornings, August 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd at Lymington United Reformed Church - 10.00 - 12.00. It is FREE and available to all. For more information email childrenfamiliesurclym@btinternet.com or ring 02380284342

THE BIG PICTURE: This exciting new 12week program will start in early September. To find out more please go to http:// www.thebigpicturecourse.org/ to watch the trailer. If you are interested in the course charting our salvation history, through bible study, then please indicate on the list at the back of the church your preference for attending. Weekly sessions will be held on the day/time deemed most popular.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB: Unfortunately the outing planned for 20th August has had to be cancelled for lack of a minibus driver.

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SAINT PADRE PIO OF PIETRELCINA REFLECTION DAY: Fr Des Connolly SMM invites you to join Padre Pio Prayer Groups and other devotees to celebrate his Padre Pio's birthday/Feast day on Sunday 23rd September 2018 in this his 50th Anniversary of his death. The Day will be held in Saint Joseph's Centre, 8 Lyndhurst Road, Ashurst, Southampton SO40 7DU. The day will begin at 10.00am for 10.30am until 4.00pm and will include Mass. A donation of £22.50 per person would be very much appreciated. Please bring a packed lunch.

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

Saturday 11th August Ignatian Spirituality: A Journey of Quiet Contemplation in the Ignatian Tradition. Saturday15th September A Map of the Soul: Jung and Prayer.

Saturday 13th October Prayer: Heart Speaks to Heart. Saturday17th 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: http://www.wisdomhouseromsey.co.uk

SOUTHAMPTON CELEBRATE EVENT - SEPTEMBER 29th/30th: The Southampton Celebrate Website is now up & running at: www.celebrateconference.org/southampton Full details are on the website where it is also possible to download a booking form and a poster advertising the event. We have been fully booked for the past few years, so early booking is advisable.