

# 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

## *Parish Contacts:*

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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: 8<sup>th</sup> September - 16<sup>th</sup> September*

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	CHURCH	LITURGY	INTENTION	P
SAT	8 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	23 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Year B ( G )	SVP Members & Those in Need	DMA
SUN	9 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	23 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Year B ( G )	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	9 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	23 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Year B ( G )	Flo Warrilow RIP B'day Anniv	DMA
SUN	9 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	23 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Year B ( G )	People of the Parishes	DMA
MON	10 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	23 <sup>rd</sup> Week in Ordinary Time ( G )	as per celebrant	PWR
TUE	11 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	23 <sup>rd</sup> Week in Ordinary Time ( G )	Joseph & Flora Weld RIP F/M	DMA
WED	12 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	W & C	Our Lady	23 <sup>rd</sup> Week in Ordinary Time ( G )	N/A	
WED	12 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Mass	St Francis	23 <sup>rd</sup> Week in Ordinary Time ( G )	Intentions of Pope Francis	DMA
WED	12 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Mass	St Anne	23 <sup>rd</sup> Week in Ordinary Time ( G )	as per celebrant	PWR
THU	13 <sup>th</sup>	9.15am	Mass	OLSJ School	Beginning a New School Year	Our school community	DMA
FRI	14 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	Exaltation of the Holy Cross, Feast, ( R )	Kathleen Dorothy Haywood RIP F/M	DMA
SAT	15 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	Our Lady of Sorrows ( W )	For those who are unwell	DMA
SAT	15 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	24 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year B ( G )	Timothy Isles RIP	DMA
SUN	16 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	24 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year B ( G )	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	16 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	24 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year B ( G )	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	16 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	24 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year B ( G )	People of the Parishes	DMA

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

**A CLASSLESS FAITH:** Each of us has inherited a mixed bag of beliefs and suspicions, some of which we have grown to discard, others we have adopted and made our own. The prejudices that serve to prop up our sense of superiority, while keeping others in diminishment, are particularly difficult to tear down. We can all decorate our insecurity by regarding as inferior those who are different from ourselves, for reasons of class or race or religion or whatever. But if our own sense of worth is maintained at the expense of other people's dignity, what value is it?

In today's second reading, which comes from the letter of St James, we hear this simple advice: "My brothers and sisters, do not try to combine faith in Jesus Christ, our glorified Lord, with the making of distinctions between classes of people." The letter goes on to criticise the attitude which presumes that the well dressed person who enters the synagogue, with gold ring glinting its own message, naturally deserves more attention and care than the poor person who enters at the same time. If preference is going to be made, it should reflect the declared preference of God: he chose those who are poor according to the world, to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom he promises.

God's preference for those who are poor according to this world is seen clearly in today's Gospel. Jesus comes face to face with a deaf man who has a speech impediment. The man is doubly afflicted: he is a Gentile, hence regarded by orthodox Jews as unclean, and is also physically handicapped. Jesus takes him aside, away from the crowd, and cures his deafness and his stutter. Mark emphasises the response of the crowd, who publish their judgement that Jesus had done all things well.

Thus the messianic prophecy of Isaiah heard in the first reading is seen to be fulfilled: the ears of the deaf are unsealed and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy.

Out of his infinite compassion Jesus' love is available to everyone; without any presuppositions or any conditions. He is not disconcerted by the handicapped; neither is he prejudiced against those not of his own race or religion. His own uniqueness is not employed to lord it over others but to be of service to them. In his presence no one has to conceal their handicap, no one has to remain isolated in a wordless world, no one has to be rejected because of their difference. Jesus' acceptance and love open up new f possibilities; for him, nothing is settled. Prejudice, on the other hand, tries to settle everything.

Jesus knows that people shrink back under indifference, are wounded by prejudice, are hurt when they are rejected. Prejudice handicaps everyone it touches; it allows fear to dress up as social and religious propriety; it sneaks its way into our laws. It is a killer disease. It is always good to remember that whoever we meet, God has first loved them. So let us be challenged by the words of wisdom:

Our first task in approaching another people, another culture, another religion is to take off our shoes for the place we are approaching is holy. Else we may find ourselves treading on another's dream. More serious still, we may forget that God was there before our arrival.  
*from Seasons of the Word by Denis McBride*

## St Francis, Milford-on-Sea

**Anniversaries this week:** Brian Patrick Fitzpatrick (12<sup>th</sup>), Ursula Marie Edwarde (13<sup>th</sup>), William George Rickman (15<sup>th</sup>)

**Sick & Housebound:** Joan Lloyd, Marjorie Horton, Gill Boddington, Sarah Bell, Alison Doubleday, Margaret Langford, Sean McVeigh, Sarah Nicholls & Hilary Sendall.

**QUIZ NIGHT - Friday, September 14<sup>th</sup>:** Please remember to buy your tickets for our Quiz night - Parish support is vital to make a big success of this fun night and to raise as much money as possible for our Africa Charities. All friends and family welcome, please spread the word! Donations for raffle prizes would be most welcome, thank you. Tickets for sale at the end of Mass

## St Anne, Brockenhurst

**Anniversaries this week:** Elizabeth French (12<sup>th</sup>)

**Sick and Housebound** Please keep Anna Hubbard in your prayers

**Fr Quarmby's Masses:** 8am Tuesday and Friday; 10am Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday. There will be no Mass on Thursday.

**SVP Second Collection this weekend.** An appeal will be made at all Masses this weekend.

**Rwanda Talk:** On Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> September, during the 6pm Mass, Clarisse, Freddie, Jules and Malo will share the story of their recent visit to Rwanda.

**Day of Reflection on Saturday 29th September (10am - 3pm) "Life Beginning at the End".** A talk by Dr Fiona Randall on the legal and ethical context of end of life care followed by reflection and discussion chaired by Fr David Adams. Agendas will be available from Sunday 16th.

**Letters from Pope Francis and Bishop Philip:** Texts can be found on the parish website. See newsletter "Parish Contacts" for details.

**Concert at St Saviours Church** The Gildas Quartet on Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30 pm. Programme on the notice board in the porch

**Basics Bank.** Due to one of our St Anne's team being no longer able to help with deliveries, we need one or two volunteer drivers to deliver food and other basic items to individuals or families in our local area (one or two days every 10 - 12 weeks). If you are able to help or would like to know more about what is involved please speak to Annabelle Mellor (phone number in the parish rooms).

**PPC is next meeting** is on September 13th. If anyone has anything they would like to raise please speak to Henry.

**Any items for the newsletter to [anna@boylemellor.co.uk](mailto:anna@boylemellor.co.uk) to arrive by Thursday morning**

## All Parishes

### DATES FOR THE DIARY:

**A NOTE FOR YOUR DIARIES:** - St Francis in Milford is having a fun **QUIZ** on Friday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, at 7.00pm, tickets are £6.00 and available on a first come, first served basis. We'd love to see Parishioners and their families from both Lymington and Brockenhurst joining us. If you would like to reserve tickets for the night, please call Kathryn Fox on 01425 619313. Thank you.

**Science or Religion - a Symposium,** guest speaker Dr Brian Cox, lots of interesting workshops. 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov at Winchester. Tickets available in September.

Young People (16yrs - 35 yrs): **Youth Gathering** - Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> November, 5pm - 9pm, at Portsmouth Cathedral

## Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington

**Anniversaries this week:** Winifred 'Wyn' Ethel Calvert (1st), Dr James Dean McCafferty (2nd), Cecil Frogley, Howard Neal (3rd), Mary Wright, Mary Elizabeth Wilson (7th)

**Sick and Housebound:** Brian Coyne, Simone Cluett, Concetta Losanno, Terry Iles, Mai Wilson, Den Walker, Brian Choules, Len Harley, Marie Smith, Celine McCay, Mary Norton, Patricia Mate, Henry Haverty

**CWL:** The next meeting of the CWL is Tuesday, 11th September at 2.15 in Joseph's Place.

**HOMELESSNESS IN THE NEW FOREST:** there will be a talk given by a representative of "Nightstop" the New Forest homeless charity at 3pm on Tuesday 11th September in the Paul Duffy room, Joseph's Place. All parish members are welcome.

**SVP COFFEE MORNING:** will be in Joseph's Place on the last Sat (29<sup>th</sup>) in September.

**PAPAL AWARD FOR EILEEN RAYNER:** Eileen will be awarded the Bene Merenti on Sunday, 23rd Sept at the 10.30am Mass. There will be refreshments afterwards in Joseph's Place. All are welcome.

**MISSIO RED BOX COLLECTIONS:** 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 (15th & 16th Sept) and the following weekend (22nd & 23rd 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.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO NORAH,** our happy wing walker, who has raised a grand total of £3171.72 for Oakhaven. Norah wishes to thank everyone who has sponsored and supported her. She is absolutely thrilled and amazed at this amount. Thank you, Norah - you are an inspiration.

**HELP LEARNING ENGLISH:** My name is Nuno Macedo, I'm Portuguese and I've been in Lymington for a short time and I'm working in a hotel. My objective of my coming here is to learn English for professional reasons. However, it is difficult to find a teacher or a school. If anyone can help Nuno, please give your details to Fr David.

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**MASS COUNTS:** This year the count will be taken on the following weekends: 22/23 Sept; 29/30 Sept; 6/7 Oct & 13/14 Oct.

**15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> September 2018 - Refugee Event:** What can we do as a parish to sponsor and house refugees? In response to this a practical way of housing refugee families will be presented at two Caritas "Welcoming our Neighbour" events, one in the Sacred Heart Church, Waterlooville on 15th Sep and another repeat event at St. Joseph's, Maidenhead on 29th Sep. Find out more under "Events" on the diocesan website, look it up on Eventbrite or send an email to [caritas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:caritas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

**CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY BRIEFING:** You are invited to come to our Harvest fast day briefing meeting to hear about CAFOD's work in Peru from Weronika Ozieranska our Regional Officer for Latin America on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church Douglas Road Southbourne BH6 3ER from 2:30pm to 4:30pm. Please book your place by emailing [portsmouth@cafod.org.uk](mailto:portsmouth@cafod.org.uk) or call Jo Lewry on 01252 329385

**APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA** invites you to a Mass in honour of our patron Stella Maris, Our Lady Star of the Sea. Come pray for the work of Apostleship of the Sea and for seafarers on Tuesday 18th September 2018 at 12.15pm in St John's Catholic Cathedral, Bishop Crispian Way, Portsmouth, PO1 3HG. Bishop Philip Egan will celebrate Mass, followed by a reception. All invited. Please RSVP by email to [salvina@apostleshipofthesea.org.uk](mailto:salvina@apostleshipofthesea.org.uk). For more information go to [www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk](http://www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk)

**DIOCESAN ALTAR SERVER'S DAY:** Join us for our Annual Day for Altar Servers! We have some incredible speakers and workshop leaders lined up, all ready to share their joys and experiences of serving God in a unique and special way. Timetable: 10:00 Arrivals; 10:30 Testimonies; 10:50 Vest for Mass; 11:00 Holy Mass; 12:00 Keynote Speaker; 13:00 Lunch; 14:00 Workshops; 15:00 Games and Social Time; 16:00 Holy Half Hour. Please bring a packed lunch and servers robes. DATE AND TIME: Sat 13 October 2018, 10:00 - 16:30. LOCATION: Christ The King Church, 408 Northumberland Avenue, Reading, RG2 8NR. Cost £5.50

Charity begins at home



**“Stay where you are – find your own local Calcutta. Find your own sick, your own lonely, your own suffering, right where you are – in your own homes, in your own families, in your work-places and your School” (St. Teresa of Kolkata). Help make a difference with your SVP**