

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
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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: 15th September - 23rd September

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	CHURCH	LITURGY	INTENTION	P
SAT	15 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	24 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	Timothy Isles RIP	DMA
SUN	16 th	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	24 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	Christopher Maughan RIP	DMA
SUN	16 th	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	24 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	16 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	24 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	People of the Parishes	DMA
MON	17 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	24 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
TUE	18 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	24 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	Canon A.G.McDonald RIP F/M	DMA
WED	19 th	9.30am	W & C	Our Lady	24 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	N/A	
WED	19 th	10.00am	Mass	St Francis	24 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
WED	19 th	10.00am	Mass	St Anne	24 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	John Smith & Mary E. Simpson RIP F/M	DMA
THU	20 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	The Korean Martyrs, Mem, (R)	Richard Whelan RIP	DMA
FRI	21 st	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	St Matthew, Feast, (R)	Jean Warr RIP	DMA
SAT	22 nd	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	24 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	For those who are unwell	DMA
SAT	22 nd	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	25 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	Henry Paul Haverly RIP	DMA
SUN	23 rd	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	25 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	23 rd	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	25 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	Eileen Rayner & family (Intentions)	DMA
SUN	23 rd	12.30pm	Baptism	Our Lady	baby Ella Elizabeth Perkins	N/A	DMA
SUN	23 rd	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	25 th Sunday of the Year B (G)	People of the Parishes	DMA

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: Sept 15th/16th Home Missions; Oct 6th/7th CAFOD; Oct 20th/21st Foreign Missions

ITS SOMETHING MORE THAN JUST BEING NICE

“Who do people say I am?” Jesus was perhaps testing the water with his followers. Had they begun to understand his true identity and mission? People generally thought Jesus was a prophet like John the Baptist, or Elijah or one of the others. Peter is able to see further: You are the Christ (i.e. the Anointed One). Jesus is not like the other prophets, in some mysterious way he is of God. So Jesus is able to take them further in his teaching.

Being God’s Anointed is not going to mean popularity, political favour, generous campaign donations or religious respect. On the contrary it is going to mean suffering, rejection and death. Jesus will be rejected by all the systems of power: the civil authorities (elders), the religious authorities (chief priests) and the legal authorities (the scribes). However God will raise him to new life. Jesus says all this “quite openly”.

Peter, true to character reacts impulsively. We understand where he is coming from. We too feel the same way. It is impossible for us to see the wisdom of all this. Like Peter we are locked into our all too human way of thinking. It is understandable, reasonable, what most would consider common-sense and yet Jesus says it is “satanic”. It is the only time in the Gospels that Jesus calls anyone “Satan” directly.

This stark statement invites us to reconsider the nature and “place” of evil. It is much closer to home than we would like to admit. In fact we can’t admit it because we don’t even see it. We don’t see because it’s the way everyone thinks, ourselves included (hidden in plain sight). We take it for granted and would never ordinarily see any reason for thinking otherwise.

Following Jesus is going to take us on a journey that will completely transform our way of thinking and living. We are being invited into God’s way of thinking, seeing and living. Uncomfortable as it maybe Christianity is about something greater than just being “nice” or “nicer” than others.

If we invest in, place all our hope and security in, give all our allegiance to the political system, the religious system, the economic system then we are going to lose. They cannot deliver the life of God. The struggle to re-align ourselves on God is the carrying of the cross. Our life, our hope, our joy are safe in God but the “gods” of this world demand total and slavish obedience and will fight any threat to their power. Jesus says: “Have courage. I have overcome the world”. (DMA)

St Francis, Milford-on-Sea

Anniversaries this week: Cyril Field, Enid Lilah Aylard (16th), Rosemary June Young (18th), Ellen Margaret Caffyn (21st)

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

FUND-RAISING QUIZ NIGHT – GREAT SUCCESS: Thanks to Kathryn, Andrew, Liz & Roger for working so hard for this event. It was great fun, really well supported and really well organised. Thanks to All Saints for making their hall available at reduced cost. We managed to raise £561 for the African charities.

AUTUMN STUDY GROUPS: Two identical Ecumenical study courses will be held in October/November. They will each be 5 sessions: At the Methodist Church, Mondays 7:30 - 9pm starting 1st Oct. The second at St Mary's Everton, alternate Thursdays 11:30am followed by soup lunch starting 27th Sep. The film to be studied is "I, Daniel Blake". You are encouraged to preview the whole film at St Mary's, 2pm Thurs 20th Sep. These groups are usually thought-provoking and interesting. please do try them out! Please sign the list at back, or if you can't decide, just turn up.

St Anne, Brockenhurst

Anniversaries this week: Florence Thorne (18th), Doreen Thompson (20th), Aileen Deale (22nd)

Sick and Housebound Please keep Anna Hubbard in your prayers.

FR QUARMBY'S MASSES: Next week commencing 16th September, my weekday Mass times will be: 10 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. NO MASS ON TUESDAY this week.

RWANDA TALK: Clarisse, Freddie, Jules and Malo will share the story of their visit to Rwanda at our 6pm Mass this Sunday.

DAY OF REFLECTION on Saturday, 29th September, starting with Mass at 10 am and concluding at 3pm. Dr Fiona Randall will present a talk entitled **Life Beginning at the End** on the legal and ethical context of end of life care, followed by reflection and discussion chaired by Fr David. Dr Fiona has suggested an article to read that would be helpful preparation. Copies of this and the timetable for the day are available at the back of church.

SVP NATIONAL CAMPAIGN - CHARITY BEGINS AT HOME: "Someone from the SVP came to visit me yesterday. It was lovely. They just sat with me and listened." Help make a difference with your SVP.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH: The Social Committee is sorry to have to announce that they are unable to book St Saviour's Church Hall during December this year for our Christmas lunch due to the increased use of the hall following the temporary closure of St Nicholas Church. The Social Committee is planning to have our annual lunch in January when hopefully the hall will be available again. More details to follow.

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

Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington

Anniversaries this week: Canon Archibald McDonald, Agnes Beggs, Diana Elizabeth Dent, Rita Wren (17th), Maureen Ellen Risbridger (19th), Muriel Mary Sanders (20th), Kenneth Ernest Eakins (21st)

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.

CONDOLENCES: to Patricia Curtis & family, Patricia's father, Henry Paul Haverty (1934 - 13/9/2018) has died in Ireland. May he rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen

THE COFFEE MORNING on Saturday 29th September will be in aid of the Macmillan Cancer Support's World's Biggest Coffee Morning 2018. There will be lunches available as usual.

KNIT & STITCH will meet next Friday 21st September in the Hospitality Centre from 2.30pm to 4pm. All welcome.

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.

All Parishes

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.

REQUEST FROM ST DOMINIC'S PRIORY: Please can you pray for our Sr Catherine (36 years old). She has lost her sight, and is in hospital at the moment. We need a miracle. Thank you!

DAY FOR ADULTS WHO HELP WITH CHILDREN'S LITURGY, FIRST COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION, BAPTISM, RCIA, etc; Saturday 20th October, 10am to 4pm at Portsmouth Cathedral, led by the Formation for Mission Team (mainly Dominican Sisters from Sway). Bishop Philip will celebrate Mass in thanksgiving for all diocesan catechists and Children's Liturgy teams. The day will be spent reflecting on the mission, charisms and role of the catechist, and sharing insights in workshops about 'making our teaching session great'. Lunch will be provided. Everyone involved or interested in catechesis and children's Liturgy is welcome. Book here: <http://portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/catechists> or phone the Dominican Sisters: 01590681874.

29th 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" 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

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

Science or Religion – a Symposium, guest speaker Dr Brian Cox, lots of interesting workshops. 3rd Nov at Winchester. Tickets available in September. Details will be in the next Diocesan E News.

Young People (16yrs – 35 yrs): **Youth Gathering** – Sunday, 25th November, 5pm – 9pm, at Portsmouth Cathedral

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