

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; Ian Holden, Brockenhurst; Anthony Kirke, Milford on Sea

Parish Safeguarding Representative: Vanessa Dugdale (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:

Saturday Morning
from after Mass until
10.30am

Masses & Services for the Week: 27th April - 5th May 2019

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	CHURCH	LITURGY	INTENTION	P
SAT	27 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	2 nd Sunday of Easter	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	28 th	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	2 nd Sunday of Easter	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	28 th	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	2 nd Sunday of Easter	Hilary Murphy (Health)	DMA
SUN	28 th	12.30pm	Baptism	Our Lady	baby Arlo Maxwell Jenkins	N/A	DMA
SUN	28 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	2 nd Sunday of Easter	Angela Campbell RIP (3)	DMA
MON	29 th	9.30am	W & C	Our Lady	St Catherine of Sienna, Mem, (W)	N/A	
TUE	30 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	St George, Sol, (R)	The Baker Family F/M SA	DMA
WED	1 st	9.30am	W & C	Our Lady	St Joseph the Worker, Mem, (W)	N/A	
WED	1 st	10.00am	Mass	St Anne	St Joseph the Worker, Mem, (W)	as per celebrant	PWR
WED	1 st	10.00am	Mass	St Francis	St Joseph the Worker, Mem, (W)	The Molloy family	DMA
THU	2 nd	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	St Athanasius, Mem, (W)	Joseph & Flora Weld RIP F/M	DMA
FRI	3 rd	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	Ss Philip & James, Feast, (R)	Clare Barry-Ball RIP F/M	DMA
SAT	4 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	The English Martyrs (1535-1680), Feast, (R)	For those who are unwell	DMA
SAT	4 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	3 rd Sunday of Easter	Thanksgiving (BF)	DMA
SUN	5 th	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	3 rd Sunday of Easter	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	5 th	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	3 rd Sunday of Easter	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	5 th	12.30pm	Baptisms	Our Lady	Baptism of Ianto & Siach Perry	N/A	DMA
SUN	5 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	3 rd Sunday of Easter	William John Lamb RIP F/M	DMA

THE NEXT SPECIAL COLLECTION: 11th/12th MAY - CLERGY TRAINING FUND

MERCY, HOPE & RESURRECTION FOR ALL CREATION

Nothing is the same forever, says modern science. Ninety-eight percent of our bodies' atoms are replaced every year. Geologists, with good evidence over millennia, can prove that no landscape is permanent. Water, fog, steam, and ice are all the same thing but at different stages and temperatures. "Resurrection" is another word for change, but particularly positive change—which we tend to see only in the long run. In the short run, change often looks like death. The Preface to the Catholic funeral liturgy says, "Life is not ended, but merely changed." Science is now giving us helpful language for what religion rightly intuited and imaged with mythological language. Myth does not mean "not true," which is the common misunderstanding; it actually refers to things that are always and deeply true!

God could not wait for modern science to give history hope. It was enough to believe that Jesus "was raised from the dead," somehow planting the hope and possibility of resurrection in our deepest unconscious. Jesus' incarnate life, his passing over into death, and his resurrection into the ongoing Christ life is the archetypal model for the entire pattern of creation. He is the microcosm for the whole cosmos, or the map of the whole journey, in case you need or want one.

Nowadays most folks do not seem to think they need that map, especially when they are young. But the vagaries and disappointments of life's journey eventually make us long for some overall direction, purpose, or goal beyond getting through another day. All who hold any kind of unexplainable hope believe in resurrection, whether they are formal Christians or not, and even if they don't believe Jesus was physically raised from the dead. I have met such people from all kinds of backgrounds, religious and nonreligious.

Personally, I do believe in the physical resurrection of Jesus because it affirms what the whole physical and biological universe is also saying—and grounds it in one personality. Resurrection must also be fully practical and material. If matter is inhabited by God, then matter is somehow eternal, and when the creed says, we believe in the "resurrection of the body," it means our bodies too, not just Jesus' body! As in him, so also in all of us. As in all of us, so also in him. So I am quite conservative and orthodox by most standards on this important issue, although I also realize it seems to be a very different kind of embodiment post-resurrection as suggested by the Gospel accounts. (Fr Richard Rohr OFM, Wednesday, April 24, 2019)

St Francis, Milford-on-Sea

Anniversaries this week: Bernard Leo Harrington, Mildred Elizabeth Kilvert (29th), Maud Elizabeth McNeill (1st), Alfred Bernard Little (3rd), Alma O'Sullivan, Vera Irene White (4th)

Sick & Housebound: Joan Lloyd, Marjorie Horton, Gill Boddington, Sarah Bell, Alison Doubleday & Sean McVeigh.

HELP NEEDED PLEASE! Wednesday 15th May 7:30pm we are hosting one of the Days of Prayer for Christian Unity. Please can you help by being a *Welcomer*, or with the light refreshments in the Maryland Room afterwards, where pretty tablecloths and posies would enhance our time together. Please speak to Elisabeth or Helen if you can help; thank you very much. The other services, all at 7:30pm are: Mon 13th: at the Methodists; Tues 14th: at All Saints; Thurs 16th: at the Baptists.

St Anne, Brockenhurst

Anniversaries this week: Edmund Depre (28th), Peter Lupton, Margaret Wilkins, Rosaino Scrope (29th), Olive Milton, Ray Ryan (30th), Sister Dominic, Luke Kelly (1st) Capt William Lamb (2nd)

Sick and Housebound: Please keep in your prayers Deacon Hilary, Anna Hubbard and Sean Dunn

Fr David Quarmby's Masses for the week commencing 28th April: 10 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday; 8 a.m. Tuesday.

Every Wednesday there is Eucharistic Adoration at 9 a.m. with Rosary at 9.30 a.m.

FR CHARLIE IN MALAWI has written with an update on the clinic project at Sitima Parish which our Parish has helped to support. He reports there has been progress on renovating and extending the clinic which includes re-roofing, plastering and the creation of extra rooms. Fr Charlie also reports on the destruction in southern Malawi, where he is based, caused by heavy rains followed by the cyclone that hit the region earlier this month. While the situation is now more under control due to the efforts of aid agencies, people still need help especially with food as their crops have been destroyed. As mentioned in last week's newsletter, if anyone feels they could contribute some financial help for Fr Charlie's parish to help with repairs and replanting, please contact Sarah who will be organising payment via the Montford Missionaries (Tel. 023-8084-9258).

The **Time is Now** mass lobby of Parliament for climate and environment action on Wednesday, 26 June 2019. Stand with CAFOD in Westminster, together with over 100 other like-minded organisations from across Britain, to tell our politicians that the time is now to end our contribution to the causes of climate change and to protect our natural environment. Politicians will only act if they see that enough of their constituents care and tell them that they want change. Pope Francis reminds us that our earth is a precious gift given to us freely by God to care for and to protect, not to exploit. Now is the time to push for bold action. See the notice on the board in the porch or go to the CAFOD website. More details about the day will follow.

PARISH PUB LUNCH: The next Parish lunch is on Tuesday, 30th April at 12 noon in the Forrester's Arms, Brookley Road. No need to book, just come along and enjoy good food and company.

Messages from the Parish: A great big thank you from the Parish to Fr David for making time to celebrate a beautiful Easter morning Mass with us, the third that day, and for making it so special. It was a truly uplifting celebration of the Risen Lord enjoyed by parishioners and many visitors in a packed church.

Triduum Singing: I would like to thank each member of the choir who gave so much of their time and attention to first, the practises and then the services themselves during Holy Week and Easter. All of you from the three parishes worked so hard at the practises, paying much attention to detailed improvements. I personally received the generous comments and thanks from many people; but they all reflect your singing, not mine. Hopefully, between us, we helped each Mystery and Celebration to be more prayerful. Paddy Lark.

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

All Parishes

A BIG THANK YOU: from Fr David to the parishioners of all three parishes for the very generous Easter Offering & all the kind prayers and good wishes.

Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington

Anniversaries this week: Matthew McCarthy, Emily Gertrude Jones (27th), John Walsh (28th), Michael John Heneghan (29th), Gerard Manghan, Michael Booth (30th), Thomas Scanlon, Diana Begg, Margaret Annie Topp (1st), Peter Goffart, Mary Ann Gillespie (2nd), Leigh Horton, John Elmer Stevens (3rd).

Sick and Housebound: Deacon Anthony Cairns, Jane Fletcher, Johnny Flood, Simone Cluett, Neil Jenkins, June Siddall, Mike Hedges, Ramona Heath-Saunders, Concetta Losanno, Mai Wilson, Den Walker, Brian Choules, Len Harley, Marie Smith, Celine McCay, Patricia Mate.

The **CWL** will be holding a cake sale on Sunday 5th May after the 10.30 Mass, in Joseph's Place. We do hope you will be able to come.

FUND RAISING MEETING: on Wednesday, 15th May at 7pm in Joseph's Place. If you care about your church buildings then please come & bring ideas and a willingness to help in some way.

JUST 9 PLACES LEFT: - PARISH SUMMER LUNCH -FRIDAY 17 MAY 2019: 12 noon for 12.30pm at Brockenhurst College. £19.00 per person for three courses, tea/coffee & petit fours, and gratuities. Bar available at your own cost. Menus available at the back of the church. Please make your choices on the reverse and return to the Parish Office with your cheque made payable to PRCDTR Lymington Our Lady. Family and friends are welcome to attend. First come first served. The bus parking at the rear entrance is available to us but please enter via the main entrance and bear to the right. Parishioners from St Francis & St Anne's are most welcome.

Gift Aid Reminder – If you are currently a UK tax payer and donate to the Parish, then please consider joining our Gift Aid Scheme. This will enable the Parish to claim an additional 25p for every £1 you donate, from HM Revenue and Customs. Joining is a straightforward process; all you need to do is complete and sign a simple Gift Aid form. The only information required is your name and address. Bank Standing Order forms are also available. Please call our Gift Aid Organiser on 01590 678525 if you want to put Gift Aid in place or would like more information or assistance.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

RETREAT DAY – Readers / Ministers of Holy Communion / SVP: Saturday 18th May from 10am to 3pm with Paul Inwood. This is the annual spiritual refresher day for Lymington parish.

Mass for the Sick-Sunday 19th May at 3pm at Our Lady of Lourdes, New Milton. Special prayers for all those who are unwell and opportunity to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Parishioners from all three parishes invited.

Our Lady of Mercy & St Joseph Church, Lymington: Sunday, 19th May, 160th Anniversary of the Consecration of the church. Special 10.30am Mass.

All Parishes

FOUNDATION GOVERNORS NEEDED: Our local Catholic Primary School, Our Lady & St Joseph's, are looking for two new Foundation Governors. This is a very important service to our school on behalf of our local Catholic community. Full training will be given and interested applicants can contact Pam Morrissey Chair of Governors for more information. pam.morrissey@hotmail.co.uk

WANTED: People to join vibrant, enthusiastic teams. What can this marvellous job be? The job is that of.....**a Fire Warden**. Helping to keep your friends, relatives, parishioners safe. What could be more worthwhile? Training and glamorous uniform FREE!! Out of this world rates of pay, pension, working conditions! Well you will get your reward in heaven!

Interested? Talk to Paul Shearer at St Anne's; Linda Guilding, Pete Lawes or Lisa Thurston at OLMSJ (we DESPERATELY need Fire Warden's for 6pm Saturday Mass); Peter Larke at St Francis.

LYMINGTON CHORAL SOCIETY SPRING CONCERT: 7pm, Saturday, 11th May, St Thomas' Church, Lymington. **Haydn's Creation** Tickets available from Maxwell Hamilton, Lymington; Milford Community Centre; and at the door Tickets £15; Students £7.50 Accompanied children free. Admission includes a glass of wine or a soft drink. For more details refer to: www.lymingtonchoral.org.uk.