

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF LYMINGTON, BROCKENHURST & MILFORD-ON-SEA

Our Lady of Mercy & St Joseph
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St Anne
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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

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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: 18th May - 26th May 2019

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	CHURCH	LITURGY	INTENTION	P
SAT	18 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	5 th Sunday of Easter	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	19 th	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	5 th Sunday of Easter	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	19 th	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	160 th Anniversary of the Church	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	19 th	3.00pm	Mass	New Milton	Mass of Healing with Anointing	For those who are unwell	DMA/GN
SUN	19 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	5 th Sunday of Easter	People of the Parishes	DMA
MON	20 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the 5 th Week of Easter	as per celebrant	PWR
TUE	21 st	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the 5 th Week of Easter	Diane McCormack (Ints)	DMA
WED	22 nd	9.30am	W & C	Our Lady	of the 5 th Week of Easter	N/A	
WED	22 nd	8.00am	Mass	St Anne	of the 5 th Week of Easter	as per celebrant	DQ
WED	22 nd	10.00am	W & C	St Francis	of the 5 th Week of Easter	N/A	
THU	23 rd	9.00am	Marian Liturgy	Our Lady	Celebrating Our Lady - OLSJ School KS1	N/A	DMA
FRI	24 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the 5 th Week of Easter	Jane Fletcher RIP	DMA
SAT	25 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	St Bede the Venerable, Mem, (W)	For those who are unwell	DMA
SAT	25 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	6 th Sunday of Easter	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	26 th	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	6 th Sunday of Easter	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	26 th	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	6 th Sunday of Easter	Iris Olga Gates RIP Anniv	DMA
SUN	26 th	3.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	For a group of Italian students	as per celebrant	AV
SUN	26 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	6 th Sunday of Easter	Tessa Joan Nally RIP F/M	DMA

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: 1st/2nd JUNE - VERONA FATHERS - MISSION APPEAL

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS & BUILDING COMMUNITIES OF FAITH, HOPE & LOVE.

Today's first reading continues the account of the preaching of Paul and Barnabas and of God opening the door of faith to pagans. There is much travelling and activity, gathering of people and appointing leaders, and even a sense of work completed. By contrast, the Gospel draws us into the intimacy of the small group of disciples surrounding Jesus who encourages them to love one another. This is how people will know they are his disciples. Proclaiming the Word and witness of love for one another are both valid forms of evangelisation.

The post-conciliar document *Evangelii Nuntiandi* (1975) speaks of the need to proclaim Christ the Lord to those who do not know him through preaching, catechetics, baptism and the administration of the sacraments. It also recognises, as the first step in the work of evangelisation, communities of Christians who radiate simply and spontaneously their faith and love for one another and for those among whom they live. This role of pre-evangelisation has long been recognised in the Church's mission to the nations, formerly known as mission territories, where communities of religious sisters and brothers engaged in works of mercy prior to the arrival of priests who would preach in the traditional sense. In our post-Christian Western societies the witness of Christian love and service is needed more than ever as a form of evangelisation that may touch modern people in a way that formal

preaching does not. Both are needed, and witness to love, of which today's Gospel speaks, is the vocation of every Christian.

The reading from the Apocalypse presents a vision of heaven, the new Jerusalem, where all suffering and toil are ended. This echoes the Gospel where Jesus says: "The Son of Man has been glorified." Although he has yet to undergo the passion, in John's Gospel Jesus is already glorified. He is always one with the Father who has been glorified in him. In the new Jerusalem God will make his home among his people, his name is God-with-them, and the One sitting on the throne says, "Behold, I am making the whole of creation new." These readings both challenge and console a world that continues to experience war, famine and disease and the apparent lack of resolve of powerful nations to help the poor and suffering in our two-thirds world.

We can feel overwhelmed and powerless where so much is controlled by multinationals and superstates, but today's readings, summed up in the Gospel acclamation "I give you a new commandment: love one another, just as I have loved you", give us encouragement and assurance that we can make a difference. This is not an easy option, Jesus' love led him to the cross, but in Christian faith the cross is not an end in itself but stands at the centre of the paschal mystery of death and resurrection. It is the door through which we enter the new Jerusalem where all suffering is ended.

(Preaching and teaching the Word by Bridget Tighe FMDM from "Priests and People")

St Francis, Milford-on-Sea

Anniversaries this week: Jane Tinsley, Constance Elizabeth Violet Slade-Jones (20th), Owen John Marshall (21st)

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

OUR THANKS: to Helen & Elizabeth for leading the Unity Service last week & to all who supported and helped to welcome our visitors.

SYRIAN REFUGEE FAMILY living locally. We are appealing for further funds to support the family. A retiring collection will be held this Sunday 19th.

STRAWBERRY CREAM TEA: We look forward to social event that will take place on Saturday, 27th July. We are very grateful to Anne-Marie & her family for offering once again to host the event at their house. More details will follow in due course.

St Anne, Brockenhurst

Anniversaries this week: Joseph Taylor, Andre Prove (20th), Henry Wardale (22nd), Emma Hooper (23rd), Tessa Nally (24th)

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

Fr Quarmby's Masses for this week beginning 19th May: 8 a.m. Tuesday and Wednesday; 10 a.m. Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. There will be NO ADORATION OR ROSARY THIS WEDNESDAY.

Date for your diary: A charity lunch is being put on at the home of Henrietta Reynolds, together with the Social Committee, on Wednesday, 19 June. £16 a ticket for a two-course meal with wine. There is a sign-up sheet on the notice board in the porch if you would like to attend.

The Time is Now: mass climate change lobby of Parliament on Wednesday, 26 June. See item under All Parishes. A coach is being organised by CAFOD Portsmouth from Ringwood but if you would like to join a group from St Anne's travelling to London by train please speak to Anna Mellor or Edelweiss and Michael Jones (Michael Jansens, our CAFOD rep will be on holiday).

Plastic bottle tops: This is our Parish's first small step to help reduce the amount of single-use plastics used and discarded in the UK. There are two boxes in the porch, one for plastic milk bottle tops and one for other plastic bottle/small jar tops. Please bring all your bottle tops (washed!) and it will also help direct profits toward good causes.

Church garden: During the summer months when there can be long periods of hot or dry weather, the burden has fallen in recent years on Anne Woolhouse (and perhaps a couple of others) to keep our beautiful garden and the pots regularly watered, at times on a daily basis. Anne would be most grateful if you would consider joining a rota to help with this task in the event of a heat wave or when she is away. There is a hose front and back and the whole process should not take longer than 30 mins. Please speak to Anne after Mass or call her on 624265 or sign the sheet on the notice board.

Do take a little time to admire the **beautiful azaleas** at the front of the church as you enter or leave through the church gates.

100 Club The April prize of £30 was won by Trish Neate with number 34.

INDUCTION OF NEW VICAR: The Revd Simon Newham will be inducted as Vicar of Brockenhurst on **Thursday, 13th June 2019 at 8.00pm.** St Saviour's Church, Wilverley Road, Brockenhurst. I am sure many of you will want to attend this celebration.

Dates for the Diary: We will be celebrating the **75th Anniversary of St Anne's** on 28th July 2019. The **Summer Fete** is now planned for 7th Sept 2019. There will be a sign-up sheet available for stall-holders & helpers ASAP.

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

Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington

Anniversaries this week: Colleen Hunter (18th), Cecilia Moverley, Paul Joseph Neary (19th), Madelena Jellousheg (20th), Madeleine Rowles (21st), James Russell (22nd), Mary Carr, Ester Margaret 'Peggy' Walsh (23rd)

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

FUND RAISING CAMPAIGN: Thank you to all those who attended the Fund Raising campaign meeting. However, not including the Finance Committee there were still less than 30 people. A report will be produced next weekend which will make the information available to everyone in the parish

DONATIONS: We are very grateful for two donations of £250 to our church building fund. One donation was made anonymously, the other was by cheque and gift-aided as well Thank you to those persons.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: there will be a meeting on Friday, 24th May at 5pm to follow up on the parish fund raising meeting.

SPECIAL LITURGY FOR OUR LADY - KS1 children from OLSJ school will be taking part in a liturgy centred around the love for Our Lady at OLMSJ church on Thursday 23rd May at 9.15am. All are welcome. PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL NOT BE A MASS THAT MORNING.

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA: To all those who give their time to help seafarers on the Stella Maris project at St Bernard's, Holbury - There is a meeting to set the new rota on Thursday 23rd May 7pm. In Joseph's Place

EXBURY GARDENS MONDAY MAY 20TH: The Friendship Club has organised a minibus trip to these Gardens on this Monday departing from the Church car park at 11am. The cost including the minibus and admission to the gardens is £9. There are spaces available on the minibus and if anyone would like to go on this trip please contact Pam Gorman 01590 678798

All Parishes

CALLING FIRE WARDENS: OLMSJ, ST FRANCIS & ST ANNE'S : There will be a Refresher Course for all Fire Wardens on Friday 7th June at 7.30pm at OLMSJ church with the Diocesan Fire Officer Deacon Stephen Short. *All are asked to attend.* Please ring the parish office 01590 676696 and leave a message for Linda as to whether you will be attending or not.

WE NEED MORE FIRE WARDENS- We *urgently* need more Fire Wardens for 6pm Saturday Mass OLMSJ and 6pm Sunday Mass at St Anne's Please consider being a Fire Warden. If you would like to be a Fire Warden please ring the parish office for details.

THE TIME IS NOW!! "The earth, our home is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth" Pope Francis. In his encyclical 'Laudato Si' Care for our Common Home, Pope Francis urges us to hear the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor and to take action. Climate Change is the biggest threat to our planet, and we are calling on everyone to tell their MPs that the time to act is NOW! Please join us on **Wednesday 26th June** for the Time is Now Lobby of Parliament. For more information and to sign up go to <https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Climate/Climate-lobby>. CAFOD Portsmouth is organising a coach to the lobby leaving from Sacred Heart Church Ringwood cost £20. To book use the link above. You can park in the church car park for the day.