

# 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 0PT

## Parish Contacts:

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**Website:** www.nfwp.org.uk; **Parish Blog:** www.lymrcchurch.blogspot.com. **Registered Charity No:** 246871/2

**School:** Our Lady & St Joseph Catholic Primary School, Ramley Rd, Pennington, 01590 672711. **Exec. Head:** Gerida Montague

**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 after  
Mass until 10.30am  
or by arrangement.

## *Masses & Services for the Week: 30<sup>th</sup> November - 8<sup>th</sup> December 2019*

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	CHURCH	LITURGY	INTENTION	P
SAT	30 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	First Sunday of Advent Yr A ( P )	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	1 <sup>st</sup>	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	First Sunday of Advent Yr A ( P )	The Hodson Family	DMA
SUN	1 <sup>st</sup>	10.30am	Mass + AS	Our Lady	First Sunday of Advent Yr A ( P )	Ada Janet Mills RIP F/M	DMA
SUN	1 <sup>st</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	First Sunday of Advent Yr A ( P )	People of the Parishes	DMA
MON	2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the 1 <sup>st</sup> week of Advent	as per celebrant	PWR
TUE	3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	St Francis Xavier, Mem, ( W )	Joseph & Flora Weld RIP F/M	DMA
WED	4 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	W & C	Our Lady	of the 1 <sup>st</sup> week of Advent	N/A	
WED	4 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	W & C	St Francis	of the 1 <sup>st</sup> week of Advent	N/A	
WED	4 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Mass	St Anne	of the 1 <sup>st</sup> week of Advent	Col. Aga Javed Iqbal OBE RIP	DMA
THU	5 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the 1 <sup>st</sup> week of Advent	Richard Martin Power RIP F/M	DMA
FRI	6 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the 1 <sup>st</sup> week of Advent	for those who are unwell	DMA
SAT	7 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	St Ambrose, Mem, ( W )	for Pope Francis	DMA
SAT	7 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	Second Sunday of Advent Yr A ( P )	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	8 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	Second Sunday of Advent Yr A ( P )	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	8 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	Second Sunday of Advent Yr A ( P )	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	8 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass + AS	St Anne	Second Sunday of Advent Yr A ( P )	The Baker Family F/M	DMA

### A Thought for Advent from Father Peter:

There is a well-known hymn which contains the words:

*Redeem thy misspent time that's past,*

*And live this day as 'twere thy last.*

These words catch one of the Advent themes very well. Why not learn them by heart and briefly reflect on them each day in Advent?

### ADVENT SERVICE

*A beautiful candlelit preparation for the birth of Our Blessed Lord.*

**7pm Fri, 13<sup>th</sup> Dec**

Our Lady & St Joseph's Church, Lymington

### EXPOSING THE TRUTH IN LOVE

Disclosures are often uncomfortable for us and our institutions because we are not ready for the whole truth. But whenever & wherever the truth is told in love, there Christ's presence is dawning, the Light is returning.

Most of our relationships in the many different spheres of life are severely limited by competing ambitions or fears that arise from self-interest. Only in a few personal relationships do we take the risk of being perfectly honest and open and vulnerable. We can only do this when our truth is spoken and received in love. We cannot receive this love from another if we are not willing to give the same kind of love in return. *Unless we change and become like little children we will not enter...*

Until we let the Light of Truth/Love expose, heal and transform our entire being, personally and collectively, we will not experience the full coming of Christ. We have nothing to fear, only the chaff, the delusional pride and every other disease of the soul & the system are ear-marked for surgical removal, (John the Baptist's warning). The wheat, the true beauty of every individual

as created by God will be gathered, healed and restored.

There is a mysterious reconciliation of opposites, and an alchemy of transformation that is worked between the blessing and the curse, the grace and the grit, the suffering and the consolation. And the path of wisdom which guides us securely through all the apparent contradictions of life is the path of self-emptying love, the way of Jesus. This way of love receives everything gratefully from the Father but doesn't cling to anything except the love that binds all together as one.

God has given us this gift of life but it could not be given without risk. All of us lose our innocence (literally: unwounded), all of us get wounded in one way or another. As we are drawn into relationship with the Christ we are gradually healed. The powers and capacities of the soul which once seemed so dangerous are drawn into a wonderful creative synergy. This dynamic harmony mirrors the glory of God. When we have learnt not to hurt or harm anyone or anything then the knowledge of God, that is the taste & experience of God will flood the earth, that is part of the mystery of the coming of the Christ. (DMA)

## St Francis, Milford-on-Sea

**Anniversaries this week:** Frederick Fothergill Culmer (1<sup>st</sup>), Jean Penman O'Hara, Anne Veronica Chatee, Gerry Hazelden (2<sup>nd</sup>), Ernest John Quantrill, Teresa Elenor Diggins, Christopher Joseph Nagle (4<sup>th</sup>), Joyce Frances Mills (5<sup>th</sup>)

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

**GOOD IDEA FOR YOUR 5P PIECES!** Please can I persuade you all to keep a jar in your kitchen to collect 5p pieces for a very deserving charity, "Freedom from Torture", which is based in London. It gives psychological support and healing to many people who have fled torture from different parts of the world. Any number of 5p pieces will be appreciated, it all adds up! Please contact Judith Kirke. 01590 645521.

## St Anne, Brockenhurst

**Anniversaries this week:** Gladys May Jeanette Boocock, Joan Mary Lilpop (1<sup>st</sup>), William Teague (2<sup>nd</sup>), Humphrey Nunes, Ralph Ledsham (3<sup>rd</sup>), Cecil Webb, Michael Patrick Kelly (4<sup>th</sup>), Richard Martin Power (5<sup>th</sup>)

**Sick and Housebound:** Please keep in your prayers Anna Hubbard, Sean Dunn, Linda Reardon and Mary Byrne.

**Fr Quarmby's Mass times:** weekday Mass times for next week commencing 1<sup>st</sup> December:- 8 a.m. Tuesday and Wednesday; 10 a.m. Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Eucharistic Adoration every Wednesday at 9.0am followed by the Rosary at 9.30am.

**Fr. Quarmby** wishes to thank the Fabric and Finance Committee and the PPC for the most welcome delivery and installation of secondary glazing in the Flat.

**New Forest Basics Bank Christmas Donations** - a message from Theresa Baker: This year we hope you will participate, as a family or individually, in the **Reverse Advent Calendar** scheme whereby you can donate an item of food every day in December leading up to Christmas. Just add the item on your calendar (or an item of your choice) to your 'Advent box' each day then bring your collection to church and place it in the basket at the back of the church. Enjoy and thank you in advance!  
**Reverse Advent Calendar** can be found at the back of the church.

**Christmas Lunch** on Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> December in St Saviour's Church hall at 12.45 for 1.0pm. Tickets at £8.50 are now on sale.

**More dates for your diary - all details on the board in the porch:**

**Christmas Day lunch:** at St Saviour's Church Hall, Wilverley Road (12.00 for 12.30pm). Tickets £10 each. To book, phone the Church Office.

**Christmas Carol Concert:** at Lymington New Forest Hospital featuring our local **Total Voice Choir** on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 3pm.

**Attention all Readers on St Anne's rota:** The diocese is requesting us to make early bookings for this course to be run on 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> March 2020. Email Chris Peacock at readers@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk as soon as possible. See all details on opposite page.

**100 Club:** Winner for November is Daphne Kelly with number 9.

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

## All Parishes

**VOCATIONS AWARENESS:** "They shall beat their swords into plough shares and their spears into pruning hooks...." If you think that God is calling you to serve the Lord of the harvest as a priest, deacon, sister or brother and want to explore further, contact Fr. John Cooke. vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869

**TO ALL READERS:** To mark the **Year of the Word** the diocese of Portsmouth is launching Readers' training workshops. Our Pastoral area has been booked in for the workshops at St Dominic's Priory, Shirley Holms Road, Lymington, SO418NH, **Workshop 1:** 7th March, 10 am to 1 pm (arrival from 9.30 am). **Workshop 2:** 14th March, 10 am to 1 pm (arrival from 9.30 am). **You have to attend both workshops. There are limited places so to make sure you get a place please email Chris Peacock: [readers@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:readers@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) as soon as possible. If you have not got access to a computer, please contact the parish office.**

## Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington

**Anniversaries this week:** Edward Grzegorzewski (30th), Patrick Manghan (1st), Harold Everett, May Phillips (2nd), Patrick Rickman (4th), Emily Andrews (6th)

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

**ADVENT SERVICE:** will be on **Friday 13th December** at 7pm in the Church. Please come along and join this beautiful candlelit preparation for the birth of Our Blessed Lord. You may want to bring a small torch.

**CWL:** The next meeting of the CWL is on Tuesday 10th December at Eileen Rayners house. 4 Court Close at 10.30 am for coffee and mince pies.

**FRIENDSHIP CLUB** will be meeting **next Monday Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2pm** in Joseph's Room. In addition to the usual Quiz, Raffle and Tea we will all be lead in the singing of Christmas Carols by the 'Ukulele Hangouts' group. We will be collecting names of those who would like to hear the Lymington Town Band play at the URC Church on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> of December at 2pm. We have arranged to go to the Regent Theatre on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January to watch **Jack in the Beanstalk**. We will be collecting names for this outing together with £10 to include the cost of the ticket and travel to Christchurch.

**YOUR PARLIAMENTARY CANDIDATES IN 100 WORDS!** See how they responded to questions from local Churches Together. In Lymington and Pennington. Copies available at the back of church.

**THE QUILT RAFFLE:** Eileen will be selling tickets up to the end of November and the draw will be on 1st December after Mass.

**CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH 2019** – a reminder that on Sunday 8th and 15th December we would be grateful for any suitable gifts (or appropriate donation) for the Christmas tree for our guests to take home. The gift, value £2-£4, should be wrapped and labelled for a "lady" or "gentleman". Thank you, Mike and Ann Reynolds 01590 679084

**IT'S A FIVER HAS ARRIVED!** We open this weekend after 6pm Mass and then after 10.30am Mass on Sunday. As the name implies everything on the table is being sold for a fiver. All proceeds towards the building fund. We shall carry on selling until all items are sold. So be quick and get a bargain!

**FUND-RAISING UPDATE:** Pledges - Number of pledges: 30  
Expected return over 5 years including gift aid: £74,415  
Actual Bank Account Receipts to date:- **£26,543.93**

**ANGELFEST:** (think Christmas fayre with Angel theme) Please come along to Angelfest on **Tuesday 17th December 3.15 – approx. 4.30pm at Our Lady & St Joseph Catholic primary school, Pennington**. There will be many items for sale, most with the Angel theme, including some beautifully crocheted items by Jill Heneghan. There will be a cake stall, games, the 'Best dressed Angel competition' (thanks to Keith Stuttaford for making the bases for the Angels) and the school choir will be singing Carols. You could find some Christmas bargains! **ALL WELCOME!**

## All Parishes

**OPEN DAY AT OUR LADY & ST JOSEPH, CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL:** on **Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am**. 83a Ramley Rd, Pennington, Lymington, Hants SO41 8GY; Tel. 01590-672711; email: [adminoffice@olsjschool.com](mailto:adminoffice@olsjschool.com); website: [www.olsjschool.co.uk](http://www.olsjschool.co.uk).

**NEW FOREST BASICS BANK** have made a special **Reverse Advent Calendar** for all of us! Please take a copy and see if you can complete it by Christmas Day. This will save a lot of money by providing us with stock to see us over a winter of high demand for our food parcels for the hungry.

**ST NICHOLAS SINGERS** bring you Another Christmas Cracker, their annual festive concert. Sunday, 8th December at 4pm in St Johns Church, Boldre. Tickets £12 available from Pilley Community Shop, Maxwell Hamilton or Rosie Adams 01590 677068. Mulled wine and mince pies. All proceeds go to Local Charities.