

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. Exec. Head: Gerida Montague
Chairs of Parish Pastoral Councils: Mike Reynolds, Lymington; Ian Holden, Brockenhurst; Roger Maughan, Milford on Sea
Parish Safeguarding Representative: Vanessa Dugdale (Lym); Susan McCabe (Brock); Liz Price (Mil).
PA to Pastoral Co Ordinator & Health & Safety Co ordinator : Linda Guilding; **Health & Safety Rep St Francis:** John Parry.
For the Sacrament of the Sick or Holy Communion to the Sick or housebound: Contact the parish office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

By appointment only -
contact Fr David at the
parish office.

The Week: 31st January 2021 - 7th February 2021

DAY	DATE	CHURCH	TIME		LITURGY/CELEBRATION	INTENTION	P
SUN	31 st	N/A	N/A	Mass	4 th Sunday of the Year (G)	For the People of the Parishes	DMA
MON	1 st	N/A	N/A	Mass	Liturgy of the Day (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
TUE	2 nd	N/A	N/A	Mass	Presentation of the Lord, Feast (W)	Cathy Pickles RIP (CWL)	DMA
WED	3 rd	N/A	N/A	Mass	Liturgy of the Day (G)	For those who are unwell	DMA
THU	4 th	N/A	N/A	Mass	Liturgy of the Day (G)	Canon Timothy (Ted) Dwyer RIP F/M	DMA
FRI	5 th	N/A	N/A	Mass	St Agatha, Mem, (R)	Cinny Ridgwell RIP	DMA
SAT	6 th	N/A	N/A	Mass	St Paul Miki et alia, Mem, (R)	Joseph & Flora Weld RIP F/M	DMA
SUN	7 th	N/A	N/A	Mass	5 th Sunday of the Year (G)	For the People of the Parishes	DMA

CHURCHES IN LYMINGTON, BROCKENHURST & MILFORD-ON-SEA CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

CATHY PICKLES R.I.P.

You will all know by now about Cathy dying on 25th January- 'The conversion of St Paul Feast day'. It was a shock and a sad day for all who knew her. Cathy's faith was quite incredible and a lesson for us all. I sent her a text when she was in hospital asking how she was and offering support. Her reply was: 'I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.'

I know all of you will know of Cathy in some way.
 Some will know her by name,
 some will have met Cathy socially,
 some will have had children pass through her care for 1st Holy Communion or Confirmation,
 some may have met her through work,
 some will have been neighbours, some friends,
 some may have heard her speak at church on behalf of the SVP,
 some may have listened to her on hospital radio,
 some will know her through the school,
 some may have met her beaming smile as they entered Sunday Mass at OLMSJ,
 some may know her through the PPC,
 some may know her from diocesan courses,
 some may have been at the receiving end of her generosity,
 some may have enjoyed her food,
 some may know her through the Diocesan Pastoral Council,
 some may know her through a Rosary group,
 some may have enjoyed her cakes with coffee on a Saturday morning in Joseph's place,
 some may have poured out their troubles to her listening ear,
 some may have attended Tenebrae at Easter, the Lent or Advent courses,
 I know the flower arrangers at OLMSJ will certainly have enjoyed her mince pies as they worked away preparing the church for Christmas!
 I hope we haven't left anyone out.
 (from Linda Guilding & Fr David)

Poem by Eileen Raynor:

Christ's hand was with Cathy
 Until the moment she died
 Leading her oh so gently
 Walking by her side.
 Her faith was so strong
 And she was so sure
 That once in heaven
 She would live evermore.
 We thank you Lord for the life she had
 And for the example she has shown
 By her work among the children and community
 Where God's word was spread and known.
 So now we hope she can rest in peace
 Her work on earth is done,
 But the legacy she has left behind
 We hope will never cease.
 And for the families left who mourn and weep
 We pray that the Lord may them safely keep.

At some stage of the journey you will lose a friend
 He or she who started with you will not see you to the end
 The weight of grief will equal the depth of friendship true
 The burden of your caring will be the load for you.
 To carry, till it lightens, with each passing day
 Until the sands of time take your grief away
 And then one day you will reflect with a wistful smile
 How nice of life to have lent you precious company for a while
(verse sent in by Martine Mercy family friend of Tony & Cathy)

St Francis, Milford-on-Sea

Anniversaries this week: Kathleen Mary Davies (31st), Edward Harry Farr, Mary Agnes Margaret Langford (1st), Susan Dove (4th), (Anthony Patrick Everett (5th))

Sick & Housebound: Sr Rosaleen, Louise Layne, Daphne Jones.

Combined Churches Christmas Tree Follow Up: Diana Brushwood and Tracy Haupt were the organisers of Milford-on-Sea [combined Churches Christmas Tree](#) and general display on the village green. They would like to hear of people's thoughts and comments on the Christmas 2020 display as they start planning for 2021 display soon. Email : Tracyhaupt01@aol.com; dianabrushwood@gmail.com

IF YOU ARE NOT DOING SO ALREADY:

PLEASE CONSIDER SUPPORTING THE PARISH FINANCIALLY WITH A REGULAR STANDING ORDER:

A/C NAME: "PRCDTR - MIL-ON-SEA - ST FRANCIS ASS"

A/C NUMBER: 00882772

SORT CODE: 30-93-04

Contact Eva Gaskin on 01590-643199 if you need any help. (PRCDTR i.e. Portsmouth Roman Catholic Diocesan Trustees Reg'd)

St Anne, Brockenhurst

Anniversaries this week: Irene Dolores Ledsham, Dorothy Green (31st), William (Ted) Joseph Hayward (1st), Ernest Spencer, Kathleen Hally (2nd), Margaret Gates, Thomas Letchworth (3rd), Bernadina Maria Cooper, Gladys (Marie) Blower (5th), Lady Helen Murray-Fry, Michael (Mike) James Montague (6th)

Sick and Housebound: Please keep in your prayers: Rosemary Sheldon, Sr Rosaleen, Sean Dunn, Linda Reardon.

NEWS FROM FR CHARLIE IN MALAWI: A few parishioners sent a donation to Father Charlie about 3 months ago and he sent a thank you email and said they were not too badly affected with covid19 and the hot weather seemed to help.

He has now sent the following update and I think they now clearly need our prayers. "Here in Malawi the C19 situation is getting worse. Much worse than last year. It's this new variant originating from South Africa, which is now in Malawi. 7 Montforts (2 priests and 5 seminarians) are currently all down with C19 and last week 2 diocesan priests and one religious sister died. They all had C19. Schools are all closed and people are meant to wear masks in public places but most people don't as they don't have them. We continue with church services but the maximum number allowed to attend is 50. Stay safe and God bless,"

IF YOU ARE NOT DOING SO ALREADY:

PLEASE CONSIDER SUPPORTING THE PARISH FINANCIALLY WITH A REGULAR STANDING ORDER:

A/C NAME: "PRCDTR - BROCKENHURST - ST ANNE"

A/C NUMBER: 00875962

SORT CODE: 30-93-04

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Any items for the newsletter to anna@boylemellor.co.uk to arrive EARLIER PLEASE - WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME

All Parishes

Online meetings for First Holy Communion Catechists for ideas, networking and support. First Holy Communion Catechists: An opportunity for catechists to discuss and share ideas about preparation of children for First Holy Communion within parishes during the current covid19 restrictions and uncertainties. Many catechists have expressed concerns about how they should work with the children in their parishes. Maybe we can support one another. If you wish to join the discussion please register below for either date: **3rd February & 3rd March 2021 7:30 to 8:30pm** - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8121212121>

Lenten Retreat: 'Finding Hope in Scripture' for everyone. Every Monday evening during Lent, for 6 weeks, we will discover aspects of the virtue of hope from 6 different Bible passages, so that we may grow in hope in these difficult times, and find ways to share our hope with others. Our reflection will be followed by a time of live-streamed adoration and Compline with the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph. Register here to participate: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8121212121>

Finally, there are still spaces for our forthcoming **Parish Readers workshops** on the 6th-13th February and on the 17th-24th April: <https://www.godwhospeaks.org/readers>

Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington

Anniversaries this week: Kathleen Davies, William Leon, Juan Nunez, John Paul Rutter (31st), Michael Bingham (1st), James Noel Ormiston (2nd), Margaret Dedear, Elisa Rowell (3rd), Johanna (Ann) Pearce (4th), Kathleen Conway (5th), Joyce Evelyn Godfrey McEvoy (6th)

Sick and Housebound: Den Walker, Tony Pickles, Renee Pickles, Suzanna Wright, Eddie Hughes, Rita Barrett, Caite Healy, Beatrice Tucker, Sr Rosaleen, Sr Margarita, Gerry Heneghan, Anne Nyland, Deacon Anthony Cairns, Johnny Flood, Simone Cluett, Ramona Heath-Saunders, Concetta Losanno, Len Harley, Marie Smith.

BUILDING FUND UPDATE: Total in bank as at: 29/01/21: £58,934.09.

THANK YOU: When the St Thomas' Christmas Day lunch had to be cancelled due to Covid, Christmas looked a bit bleak for a lot of people. However, Mosimann's of Lymington stepped into the breach and provided a traditional Christmas day lunch for some eighty local folk. The initiative was developed and funds found, by a local person who wishes to remain anonymous. Volunteers came forward to deliver the customary roast fare and pudding on Christmas Eve ready for the beneficiaries to warm-up on Christmas Day. Many of our parishioners were approached with the offer and many accepted. The scheme was a great success. So on behalf of all those who received a delicious meal on Christmas day, a big thank you to all those who made this happen.

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT: If you are not doing so already, please consider supporting the parish with a regular standing order. Parish Standing Order Forms are available from the Parish office.

Donations to the church can also be given by cash, cheque or bank transfer, details below:-

A/C NAME: "PRCDTR - LYMINGTON - OUR LADY"

A/C NUMBER: 00882225 SORT CODE: 30-93-04

(Please reference: DONATION)

Pledge Forms are still available if you wish to support the **Building Fund**.

You may also **Gift Aid** your donations if you let us know.

Please contact the Parish Office if you have any questions or would like to discuss how best to proceed.

All Parishes

CHECK OUR WEBSITE: www.nfwp.org.uk for resources to support us in our faith and in our care of one another.

FOR ONLINE DONATIONS TO BASICS BANK: follow the link below: <https://localgiving.org/appeal/BasicsBankChristmas/>

THIS SUNDAY IS RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY, if you would like to give a gift for the Second Collection you can donate on line at: <https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/fundraising/racial-justice-sunday> Contributions help the Catholic Bishops of England & Wales promote racial justice.

RIGHT TO LIFE CAMPAIGN: Ask your MP to sign a parliamentary motion calling on the Government to introduce new guidance on fetal pain. A new parliamentary motion (EDM 1340) is calling on the Government to introduce new guidance on fetal pain. The evidence that babies can feel pain in the womb, and during many abortions, highlights the humanity of the unborn child and provides another important reason to introduce legislation to protect the unborn child from abortion. **Right To Life UK** have set up an easy-to-use tool which makes it simple to contact your MP, and ask them to sign this motion calling on the Government to introduce new guidance on fetal pain. It only takes 30 seconds using this easy-to-use tool. This tool can be accessed by visiting the link below: www.righttolife.org.uk/FetalPainMotion

ARE YOU THINKING ABOUT A REWARDING CAREER IN TEACHING? Would you like to train in a Catholic ethos of education? An online Primary Catholic Partnership Information Session can give you the opportunity to learn all you need to know about teacher training and how to apply. **Who is this event for?** Our event is for anyone who has a degree and is interested in teaching - particularly those who are considering starting their initial teacher training in **September 2021**. It offers a great opportunity to get all your questions about teaching and teacher training answered. **When:** We have sessions scheduled for **28th January (1-2pm)** and **4th March (5.30-6.30pm)**. More dates will be added soon, so please visit our website for the latest information. **How to register** Our information sessions are held online. Please use the link below for session dates, times and to register your place. <http://www.pcp-scitt.org.uk/home/teacher-training-information-events/>