

# 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

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Our parishes are part of & belong to the: **Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth, Registered Charity No: 1199568**

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

**Chairs of Parish Pastoral Councils:** Magdalen Chadborn, Lymington; Ian Holden, Brockenhurst; Roger Maughan, Milford on Sea

**Parish Safeguarding Representative:** Vanessa Dugdale (Lym); Henrietta Reynolds (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**

*The Week: 15<sup>th</sup> April 2023 - 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2023*

DAY	DATE	CHURCH	TIME	SERVICE	LITURGY/CELEBRATION	INTENTION	P
SAT	15 <sup>th</sup>	OLMSJ	6.00pm	Mass	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	16 <sup>th</sup>	St Francis	9.00am	Mass	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter	Harry Newenham RIP F/M	DMA
SUN	16 <sup>th</sup>	OLMSJ	10.30am	Mass	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter	Mary Margaret Ash RIP Anniv F/M	DMA
SUN	16 <sup>th</sup>	St Anne	6.00pm	Mass	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter	People of the Parishes	DMA
MON	17 <sup>th</sup>	St Anne	10.00am	Mass	2 <sup>nd</sup> Week of Easter	as per celebrant	DQ
TUE	18 <sup>th</sup>	OLMSJ	2.00pm	Mass	Requiem Mass	Judith Giles RIP	DMA
WED	19 <sup>th</sup>	St Francis	10.00am	Mass	2 <sup>nd</sup> Week of Easter	Kathrine Kingston RIP	DMA
THUR	20 <sup>th</sup>	St Anne	10.00am	Mass	2 <sup>nd</sup> Week of Easter	Joseph & Flora Weld RIP F/M	DMA
THUR	20 <sup>th</sup>	St Anne	12.30pm	Service	Funeral Service	Marie Frances Taylor RIP	DMA
FRI	21 <sup>st</sup>	School-OLSJ	9.00am	Mass	Easter Mass	Pupils, Staff, Governors, Parents	DMA
FRI	21 <sup>st</sup>	St Anne	10.00am	Mass	2 <sup>nd</sup> Week of Easter	as per celebrant	DQ
SAT	22 <sup>nd</sup>	St Anne	10.00am	Mass	2 <sup>nd</sup> Week of Easter	as per celebrant	DQ
SAT	22 <sup>nd</sup>	OLMSJ	6.00pm	Mass	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter	Anne Nyland RIP	DMA
SUN	23 <sup>rd</sup>	St Francis	9.00am	Mass	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter	Charles Joseph Weld RIP F/M	DMA
SUN	23 <sup>rd</sup>	OLMSJ	10.30am	Mass	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter	Una Mary Weld RIP F/M	DMA
SUN	23 <sup>rd</sup>	St Anne	6.00pm	Mass	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter	People of the Parishes	DMA

## CHRIST IS RISEN, ALLELUIA!!

Understanding the Universal or Cosmic Christ can change the way we relate to creation, to other religions, to other people, to ourselves, and to God. Knowing and experiencing this Christ can bring about a major shift in consciousness. Like Saul's experience on the road to Damascus (see Acts 9), we won't be the same after encountering the Risen Christ.

Many people don't realize that the apostle Paul never met the historical Jesus and hardly ever quotes Jesus directly. In almost all of Paul's preaching and writing, he refers to the Eternal Christ Mystery or the Risen Christ rather than Jesus of Nazareth before his death and resurrection. The Risen Christ is the only Jesus that Paul ever knew! This makes Paul a fitting mediator for the rest of us, since the Omnipresent Risen Christ is the only Jesus we will ever know as well (see 2 Corinthians 5:16-17). Jesus' historical transformation ("resurrected flesh") and our understanding of the Spirit he gives us (see John 16:7-15; Acts 1:8) allow us to more easily experience the Presence that has always been available since the beginning of time, a Presence unlimited by space or time, the promise and guarantee of our own transformation (see 1 Corinthians 15; 2 Corinthians 1:21-22; Ephesians 1:13-14).

In the historical Jesus, this eternal omnipresence had a *precise, concrete, and personal referent*. God's presence became more obvious and believable in the world. The formless took on form in someone we could "hear, see, and touch" (1 John 1:1), making God easier to love.

But it seems we so fell in love with this personal interface in Jesus that we forgot about the Eternal Christ, the Body of God, which is all of creation, which is really the First Incarnation. Jesus and Christ are not exactly the same. In the early Christian era, a few Eastern Fathers (such as Origen of Alexandria and Maximus the Confessor) noticed that the Christ was clearly older, larger, and different than Jesus himself. They mystically saw that *Jesus is the union of human and divine in space and time; and Christ is the eternal union of matter and Spirit from the beginning of time*.

Jesus willingly died—and Christ arose—yes, still Jesus, but now including and revealing everything else in its full purpose and glory. (Read Colossians 1:15-20, so you know this is not just my idea.)

When we believe in Jesus Christ, we're believing in something much bigger than the historical incarnation that we call Jesus. Jesus is the visible map. The entire sweep of the meaning of the Anointed One, the Christ, includes us and all of creation since the beginning of time (see Romans 1:20). *(from the writings of Fr Richard Rohr)*

## St Francis, Milford-on-Sea

**Anniversaries this week:** John Joseph Seery (16<sup>th</sup>), James Boyd Smith (18<sup>th</sup>), Patrick Joseph Lang (19<sup>th</sup>), A Chamberlain (20<sup>th</sup>), Fr Leonard Shaw SJ, Phyllis Mary Meldon, John Adair Langford, Cecilia June Litton (21<sup>st</sup>)

**Sick & Housebound:** Di Mussert, Martine Mercy, Hilary Sendall, Rita Ford, Canon Peter Wilkie, June Gow, Norah Sweeney, Sarah Bell.

**DIOCESAN FUND-RAISING:** Check the figures on the latest fund-raising newsletter- **WE HAVE REACHED 92% OF THE TARGET!!** Thank you to everyone who has contributed.

## St Anne, Brockenhurst

**Anniversaries this week:** Reynaldo Scrope (16<sup>th</sup>), Iris Hilda Lucy McClone, Anne Le May (17<sup>th</sup>), Bernard Robert (Bob) Sparrow, Sheila Groombridge (18<sup>th</sup>), Jean Rixon, Susan Kathleen King (19<sup>th</sup>), Mary Emily Pinn (20<sup>th</sup>), Patrick Joseph Maher, Basil Francis Thatcher (22<sup>nd</sup>)

**Sick and Housebound:** Please keep in your prayers: Paddy Lark, Canon Peter Wilkie, Susan McCabe. Also prayers please for Suzanne Jones who is very poorly, niece of Michael & Edelweiss.

**FR QUARMBY'S MASSES** For the week commencing 16th Apr: Masses at 10 a.m. all week.

## All Parishes

**UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:** Clergy training Fund 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> April; Catholic Communications Network 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> May.

**LIGHT OF TRUTH NEWSLETTER:** From the Dominican Sisters at Sway: the newsletter containing information on their catechetical courses and lay formation can be accessed with this link: [Light of Truth: March 2023 \(mailchi.mp\)](mailto:lightoftruth@domsisters.org.uk)

**NEWS FROM OUR SCHOOL!** To see any photos go to the school website <https://olsjschool.co.uk/>; Then click on SCHOOL LIFE & LEARNING BLOG;

Then scroll down to the individual blogs.

**HOLY WEEK:** This week Years 4 and 5 of Our Lady & St Joseph school, Lymington transported parents, grandparents and the rest of the school community back to 'AD33. Palestine.' The crowds filled the air with singing of 'Hosanna Lord', while waving palms and welcoming Jesus with great enthusiasm. The Narrators announced in a crisp manner that it was now "Maundy Thursday: The Last Supper". The crowds faded back as we now found ourselves in the Upper Room with the confrontation between Jesus and Judas which left the disciples shocked and angry at the betrayal. We felt the mood change as Jesus humbly washed the feet of the disciples and prepared for the last supper. The Narrators snapped out "Good Friday" and moved us in to the promenade performance of the Stations of the Cross with prayers and music as the cross, carried by Jesus, moved slowly and heavily through each Station to its final destination. The silence from the crowd observing was deafening as Jesus was crucified and then taken to the tomb. Spirits were lifted as the tomb was found to be empty, and joyful music filled the air as the cross stood upright in the centre of the hall as pupils carried symbols from the performance and laid them at the foot of the cross. The crowd, now back in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, heard Fr David give the blessing and left full of hope in the Risen Lord.

**GO PURPLE FOR EPILEPSY DAY:** Today at OLSJ we all wore purple in support of World Epilepsy Day! Year 6 prepared a special assembly to teach everyone about epilepsy, which impacts 1 in 100 people and how you can support anyone who is having a seizure. With the support of Zach at CARITAS, we also planted lavender and purple flowers on the school grounds, so that we have a permanent 'purple' presence in support of epilepsy awareness. Thank you Zach for all of your help! We also raised £140.50 for Support Dogs, the only organisation in the UK to provide and train seizure alert dogs for those with epilepsy. Thank you for your generosity. A big thank you to Shallowmead Nurseries, Stewarts Garden Centre, Everton Nurseries, Folium & Flos and Setley Ridge Garden Centre who all donated purple plants or vouchers to support us today. A big thank you to Kinga's mum who crocheted some beautiful purple flowers for children to wear. We are so grateful for the support of our local community.

**CAFOD VISIT:** Thank you to Steve from CAFOD who came to deliver a workshop to Year 5 today, focusing on 'Global Trade', to support their learning in Geography. Steve worked with the children to teach them about fair trade, drawing on examples from all over the world. Steve taught the children a 'trading game', using the production of shoes as an example with fictional currency, to show the different roles of money lenders, workers and business owners and how the distribution of profits is unfair. We used this workshop to reinforce our learning about 'Fair Trade' and about the "Fair Trade" mark on products. You can download resources and games to support learning about Fair Trade with your child at home here: <https://cafod.org.uk/education/education-resources/fairtrade-school-resources>

## Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington

**Anniversaries this week:** David Ronan (15<sup>th</sup>), Jemima Secchi, Marion Cecilia Nicholson (17<sup>th</sup>), James Kitching (18<sup>th</sup>), Declan James Good, Brian Edward Griffiths (19<sup>th</sup>), Bridie Jarratt, Kathleen Josephine England (21<sup>st</sup>)

**Sick and Housebound:** Canon Peter Wilkie, John & Nicki Collins, Den Walker, Sean Dunn, Deacon Anthony Cairns, Simone Cluett

**JUDITH GILES RIP:** her Requiem Mass will be at 2pm on Tuesday, 18th April, followed by a gathering in Joseph's Place. The committal will be unattended at a crematorium. Our condolences are with her family. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.

**ANNE NYLAND RIP:** Anne died peacefully on 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2023, at South Africa Lodge, Waterlooville, surrounded by her family. For details of her Memorial Service please contact Co-op Funeral Care on 01590-624345.

**MARIE FRANCES TAYLOR RIP:** Marie died at Belmore Lodge Nursing Home, Lymington on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2023 aged 96 years. Her Funeral Service is to be held on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April at 12.30pm at St. Anne's Church, Brockenhurst and will be followed by interment in Beaulieu Cemetery at approx 2.00pm.

The CWL will be holding a coffee morning on Saturday 22nd April at 10am in the parish room. This is to raise funds for Women's Refuge. There will also be a home-made cake sale on that morning. Hope to see you there.

**PENTECOST AS A CELEBRATION OF DIVERSITY:** A Meditation on the coming of the Holy Spirit. A reflective service led by Mary Dunn, on Thursday 25th May. 7pm. OLSJ Lymington.

**RUMMIKUB/GAMES CLUB** meets on Monday 17th April from 2-4pm in the parish rooms. Everyone welcome to play or to get involved. Free admission with tea and cakes. Please call 01590 678525 for details.

**AUDREY SALMON RIP:** We have not, as yet, received any details regarding her funeral arrangements Our condolences are with her family. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.

**BUILDING FUND UPDATE:** Total in bank as at: 14/04/23: £255,152.58 This includes GAYL contributions.

## All Parishes

**CHECK OUR WEBSITE:** [www.nfwp.org.uk](http://www.nfwp.org.uk) for resources to support us in our faith and in our care of one another.

**CONFIRMATION GROUP:** The next meeting is this Wednesday, 19th April at 7pm in Joseph's Place.

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**FROM SR VERONICA:** As we come to the end of the Easter Octave we reflect on the Divine mercy of the Father made possible by the saving actions of Jesus our Risen Saviour. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R98wRo-IJVI&t=4s>. Hope everyone has had a Blessed Easter week.

## To All Parishioners of our Three Parishes:

**You are invited to a parish lunch to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III on Sunday 7th May after 10.30am Mass at OLMSJ, Lymington.**

All are welcome. It's a good excuse to meet up with friends old and new! There'll be good food- if past lunches are anything to go by. There'll be fun and I expect a competition or two! We need to know how many to expect so there are forms at the back of all 3 churches to sign up a.s.a.p to say how many are coming and which food you will be bringing to share.

OR

let the office know that by email: [office@lymbrockmil.org.uk](mailto:office@lymbrockmil.org.uk)

OR

ring the office 01590 676696 with the details. Lunch will be 12noon so there will still be plenty of time for you to attend anything else which is on that afternoon in Lymington.