

# 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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**Parish Administrator:** Lisa Thurston. **Email:** office@lymbrockmil.org.uk. **Website:** www.nfwp.org.uk; **Parish Blog:** www.lymrcchurch.blogspot.com. 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; **For the Sacrament of the Sick or Holy Communion to the Sick or housebound:** Contact the parish office.

## *The Week: 10<sup>th</sup> June 2023 - 18<sup>th</sup> June 2023*

DAY	DATE	CHURCH	TIME	SERVICE	LITURGY/CELEBRATION	INTENTION	P
SAT	10 <sup>th</sup>	OLMSJ	6.00pm	Mass	The Body & Blood of Christ	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	11 <sup>th</sup>	St Francis	9.00am	Mass	The Body & Blood of Christ	The Malloy Family	DMA
SUN	11 <sup>th</sup>	OLMSJ	10.30am	Mass	The Body & Blood of Christ	1st Holy Communion Children	DMA
SUN	11 <sup>th</sup>	OLMSJ	12.30pm	Baptism	baby Benno Lawrie Chafer	N/A	DMA
SUN	11 <sup>th</sup>	St Anne	6.00pm	Mass	The Body & Blood of Christ	Clement Ignatius Brand RIP F/M	DMA
MON	12 <sup>th</sup>	St Anne	10.00am	Mass	10 <sup>th</sup> Week of the Year (1)	as per celebrant	DQ
TUE	13 <sup>th</sup>	OLMSJ	10.00am	Mass	St Anthony of Padua, Mem	Fr Brian Croughan RIP (PE)	DMA
WED	14 <sup>th</sup>	St Francis	10.00am	Word & HC	10 <sup>th</sup> Week of the Year (1)	N/A	MHC
THU	15 <sup>th</sup>	St Anne	10.00am	Mass	10 <sup>th</sup> Week of the Year (1)	Joseph & Flora Weld RIP F/M	DMA
FRI	16 <sup>th</sup>	St Anne	10.00am	Mass	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Sol	as per celebrant	DQ
SAT	17 <sup>th</sup>	St Anne	10.00am	Mass	The Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mem	as per celebrant	DQ
SAT	17 <sup>th</sup>	OLMSJ	6.00pm	Mass	11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year A	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	17 <sup>th</sup>	St Francis	9.00am	Mass	11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year A	Samantha Crockett (Health)	DMA
SUN	18 <sup>th</sup>	OLMSJ	10.30am	Mass	11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year A	Harry Newenham RIP F/M	DMA
SUN	18 <sup>th</sup>	OLMSJ	12.30pm	Baptism	infants - Lincoln and Jakub Szczecinski	N/A	DMA
SUN	18 <sup>th</sup>	St Anne	6.00pm	Mass	11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year A	Normina Marshall RIP F/M	DMA

## RECEIVE YOUR OWN MYSTERY

Today we are also celebrating the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ (known previously by its Latin title: Corpus Christi).

Jesus was a spiritual genius and artist because he took simple things used in everyday meals and, by a unique association with himself in the death and resurrection he was to experience, he created a transformational ritual. This ritual which we have come to call the "Mass" has been at the centre of the liturgical life of Catholic & Orthodox Christianity since the beginning.

The Eucharist is first of all the celebration of God's work in Jesus freeing us from sin and death and sharing with us Divine life. For this free, undeserved grace we can only give heartfelt thanks, which is in fact the meaning of the word Eucharist. Secondly the Eucharist is invitation and challenge. The invitation is to be "one body, one spirit in Christ" so that we can no longer regard ourselves as separate from others. Rather we are invited to recognise our responsibilities for others and to others. The call is to treat others as ourselves, to love others as ourselves. This way of love is a challenge to accept the sacrifices love may ask of us. As Jesus gave his life and death for us, so we are called to give our living and our dying for one another. In this way the Eucharist expresses something that is happening in our every day lives: a growing experience of gratitude to God and a growing capacity to love as Jesus has loved us. All this is made possible by the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. Eucharist reveals the ultimate pattern and purpose of our lives.

In the Eucharist we celebrate the gift of ourselves in God. Holy communion makes a powerful statement that God's life is in us, as the prayer at Mass says: "By the mingling of this water and wine may we come to share the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share in our humanity". Holy Communion gradually attunes us and confirms us in this mystery of loving union with God. If God can take simple bread and wine and make them his Body & Blood how much more does God take us and delight in us being the "Body and Blood of Christ" in the world today. This is not our doing, it is by God's graciousness alone. We are no better than anyone else, it is just that by faith, we are made aware of this relationship and by the Holy Spirit that we can begin to respond appropriately. This is the Good News to be shared respectfully with others.

God's big HUG and EMBRACE which is the Eucharist accompanies us at every stage of our lives. It is the hug and embrace of unconditional love which desires the best for us and nurtures the best in us. When we're very young its all hugs and kisses and comfort. As we grow there is also encouragement. As we get older still there is also challenge. As we get older still its there is a call to loving service and responsibility. We are never ready for so great a gift or for so much love. We respond gradually, sometimes enthusiastically, sometimes indifferently, sometimes we rebel, maybe upset at God for not making things go as we would like. As long as we keep returning to the Source in humility with as much acceptance as we can muster the grace continues its work. Everything is turned to our good once we allow ourselves to be caught up in the flow of God's love which fills the whole creation. (DMA)

## St Francis, Milford-on-Sea

**Anniversaries this week:** (Hanny) Johanna Hendrika Barbara McArthur (11<sup>th</sup>), Reginald Victor Longinotto (12<sup>th</sup>), Harry Moorhouse (13<sup>th</sup>), Helen Salt (14<sup>th</sup>), Emily Eileen "Jean" Hayward (17<sup>th</sup>)

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

**WORD & COMMUNION SERVICE** – I hope a Minister of Holy Communion can be available this Wednesday as Fr David has to attend the annual mandatory safeguarding training day for all the clergy of the Diocese.

**MARTINE MERCY RIP:** The Requiem Mass will take place at Harbour View, Randalls Hill, Lytchett Minster, Poole BH16 6AN on Thursday, 22nd June at 10.30am in the Long Barrow chapel. There will be refreshments afterwards in the same complex. May Martine rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen. Fr David needs to be there for 10am but can offer a lift, 3 spaces are available or 4 at a squeeze!

**CREAM TEA:** The parishioners and the PPC of St Anne's would like to invite the parishioners from St Francis and OLMSJ to a cream tea on **Saturday 1st July at 3pm** at the church. **(PLEASE NOTE: this is a different date from the one advertised last week).** The Tea also provides an opportunity for the Care for Creation group to give a short presentation on CAFOD's important 'Seed for All campaign' and to ask people to sign a letter to the World Bank (which will be explained during the talk).

## St Anne, Brockenhurst

**Anniversaries this week:** Canon Brian Murphy-O'Connor, Francis (Frank) Cassidy (11<sup>th</sup>), Lilian Beeley (12<sup>th</sup>), Dylis Margaret McNally (14<sup>th</sup>), Anne Mary Birks, Kathleen Mary Elphick (16<sup>th</sup>), Marie Therese Parkinson (17<sup>th</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.

**WEEKDAY MASS:** thanks to Fr David Quarmbly Mass is celebrated each day at St Anne's at 10am. And every Wednesday there is Eucharistic Adoration at 9am, Rosary at 9.30 and Mass at 10 am.

**THE ANNUAL HOUSE MASS:** would anyone like to host this years House Mass for St Anne's parish in July/August. It is usually attended by about 20-30 people. It could be outside, weather permitting but an alternative inside space would be needed just in case. We propose an American style supper for sharing. Contact Fr David if you are interested.

**ST ANNE'S FINANCE COMMITTEE:** meeting on Thursday, 15th June at 7pm in the parish room.

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## All Parishes

**MANY CONGRATULATIONS TO CANON PETER WILKIE** who has just celebrated his 70th anniversary of ordination as a priest! Canon Peter was ordained on 4th June 1953 at St Agatha's in Kingston-on-Thames by Archbishop John Henry King, who went over specially to his home parish to celebrate the ordination. Many will remember him from his ministry at St Swithun's, Southsea, the Cathedral, St Joseph's, Bracknell, Sacred Heart, Bournemouth, St Bernard's, Holbury, St James', Reading, St Edward's, Chandlers Ford, Our Lady of Sorrows and St Philip Benizi, Fordingbridge, and St Francis of Assisi, Milford-on-Sea. In addition, he was Chaplain to Winchester Prison for 20 years. He became a Canon of the Cathedral Chapter in 1989. When he was at Beaumont College, he played cricket against the Oratory at Lords. – the only Portsmouth priest to do so! So, congratulations to Canon Peter – ad multos annos!

**WELCOME THE STRANGER WEBINAR:** Every person who seeks refuge in the UK has a face, a name and a story. A story of escaping conflict or persecution and leaving behind their home, community, and country. Our **Welcome the Stranger webinar on Thursday 22nd June, 7:00-8:30pm** explains how we can help provide a place of safety and new community through the Community Sponsorship programme or Homes for Ukraine. You'll hear speakers from Resat and St John of God and people with direct experience in our diocese who have committed to 'welcoming the stranger'. To register go to <https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/40cb4751-7c3a-4155-a085-1416cdcfbd25@0f107169-67e0-4eaf-8428-9e9f05e974ab> and please share.

For more information about the webinar and our projects supporting refugees, please visit the Caritas Portsmouth website or get in touch at [caritas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:caritas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) You can also follow us on Instagram and Facebook. You can support our work by making a donation. Thank you. Jenny LeLean, Caritas Diocese of Portsmouth Head of Charity

## Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington

**Anniversaries this week:** Frank Cassidy (11<sup>th</sup>), Frances Hay (12<sup>th</sup>), Diane Brown, Cyril Wincote, Mary Nicholls (13<sup>th</sup>), Leonard Baker Morgan (15<sup>th</sup>), Christopher Fielding, Jean Collyry, John Clive Thomason (16<sup>th</sup>)

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

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS:** This Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> June, Libby, Pola & Lucy will be making their 1st Holy Communion at the 10.30am Mass in OLMSJ. We look forward to a lovely celebration of God's love for them.

**MARGARET ROBINSON RIP:** The Funeral service for Fr Peter Ryan's cousin, will be on 20<sup>th</sup> June at 11.30am in St Thomas Church, Lymington. The officiating Minister will be Rev Peter Salisbury. May Margaret rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen. Parishioners from all three parishes are welcome to attend.

**BOAT TRIP REMINDER:** - Friendship Club members will meet at the church at 1pm on Monday 12th June to leave for the afternoon boat trip on the Alison McGregor, leaving Hythe Marina at 2pm. Return by 5pm.

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**BUILDING FUND UPDATE:** Total in bank as at: 09/06/23: £256,127.58 This includes GAYL contributions.

## All Parishes

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

**UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:** Day for Life 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> June; Peters Pence (supporting the work of Pope Francis) (24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> June).

**SCHOOL NEWS:** This has been sent out as an attachment with the newsletter but do visit the school website for a full colour experience [www.olsjschool.co.uk](http://www.olsjschool.co.uk) !

**SR VERONICA'S REFLECTION FOR CORPUS CHRISTI:** Welcome to this week's video [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D\\_N7pFmcPxx](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D_N7pFmcPxx) We celebrate the great feast of the Eucharist, Jesus present among us continuing his saving work. God Bless Sr Veronica OP

**COACH TRIP TO THE NATIONAL GALLERY IN LONDON:** exhibition is being held, depicting the life and legacy of **St. Francis of Assisi**, with various works of art and artifacts from around the world on display. **It is all systems GO! The trip is ON! There are still some places available.** Contact the parish office if you wish to come along.

**FAREWELL TO FR GERRY:** Fr Gerry Onyejuluwa MSP has been the parish priest of St. Theresa of the Child Jesus, Totton, Southampton until this month, but Fr. Odion, Superior of the Missionaries of St. Paul, has asked him to move to Edmonton in the Archdiocese of Westminster. We say goodbye to him, full of gratitude to God for his years of service in our Diocese and our pastoral area and praying that the Lord will bless him in his new apostolate. At the same time, we welcome Fr Henry Nkop MSP who will be replacing Fr Gerry as the new Parish Priest. He is moving from Argyll in Scotland. Please pray for him as he begins his ministry in our Diocese.

**LAUDATO SI:** A prayer for tomorrow - The question Pope Francis is asking us is: "What kind of world do we want to leave to those who come after us, to children who are now growing up?" In the run-up to Great Big Green Week – June 11<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup> -, a UK-wide celebration of action to tackle the climate crisis, we're inviting you to answer the Pope's call by writing a Prayer for Tomorrow – asking God to guide us in our efforts to care for our common home and leave a better world for future generations. **The Great Big Green Week is 11th-18th June.** Please go to <https://greatbiggreenweek.com/> for more information.

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:** 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> July 2023, cost £699. Young people needed as helpers and also a qualified nurse. Visit the Diocesan website for more information.

**JOB OPPORTUNITIES IN THE DIOCESE:** We currently have some exciting opportunities across the Diocese for an Estate Manager, IT Manager, Choral Director, Music Lead, & Parish Administrators. Our vacancies may be found at <https://portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/about-us/other/jobs>