

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

Our Lady of Mercy & St Joseph
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St Anne
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School: Our Lady & St Joseph Catholic Primary School, Ramley Rd, Pennington, 01590 672711. **Head Teacher:** Kirstie Richards

Chairs of Parish Pastoral Councils: Mike Reynolds, Lymington; Henry Mellor, Brockenhurst; Anthony Kirke, Milford on Sea

Parish Safeguarding Representative: Cathy Pickles (Lym); Susan McCabe (Brock); Rita Ford (Mil).

For the Sacrament of the Sick or Holy Communion to the Sick or housebound: Contact the parish office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

after 9.30am Mass on Saturdays in Lymington or by appointment

Masses & Services for the Week: 3rd June - 11th June

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	CHURCH	LITURGY	INTENTION	P
SAT	3 rd	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	Pentecost Sunday	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	4 th	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	Pentecost Sunday	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	4 th	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	Pentecost Sunday	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	4 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	Pentecost Sunday	Sarah (Sally) Whelan RIP Anniv	DMA
MON	5 th	9.30am	Word & HC	Our Lady	of the Day (G)	N/A	
TUE	6 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the Day (G)	Harry Newenham RIP F/M	DMA
WED	7 th	9.30am	Word & HC	Our Lady	of the Day (G)	N/A	
WED	7 th	NO SERVICE		St Francis	URGENT BUILDING WORK IN PROGRESS		N/A
WED	7 th	10.00am	Mass	St Anne	of the Day (G)	Thanksgiving (da Cunha Family)	DMA
THU	8 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the Day (G)	For the people of the U.K.	DMA
FRI	9 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the Day (G)	Deceased Clergy of the Province	DMA
SAT	10 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the Day (G)	For those who are unwell	DMA
SAT	10 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	The Most Holy Trinity	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	11 th	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	The Most Holy Trinity	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	11 th	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	The Most Holy Trinity	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	11 th	12.30pm	Baptism	Our Lady	Baptism of baby Victor Young	N/A	DMA
SUN	11 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	The Most Holy Trinity	Clement Ignatius Brand RIP F/M	DMA

Forthcoming Special Collections:

June 17/18 - Day for Life

June 23/24 - Peter's Pence

July 8/9 - Apostleship of the Sea

HEARING GOD IN OUR OWN LANGUAGE

For Luke, the writer of the Acts of the Apostles and the Gospel, Pentecost is the great empowerment of the disciples of Jesus. They had been discouraged by Jesus' death, mysteriously enlivened by the resurrection experiences of Jesus but they were still afraid and unsure of their next move.

So they were altogether, women, men, apostles, disciples - and Jesus' mother was there too. They were praying for the gift of the Holy Spirit. Amazingly, just as was prophesied by the prophet Joel, the Holy Spirit comes down on all of them, with wind & tongues of flame. They are given courage and boldness to openly praise God for all God's wonderful works. And all those who heard it were amazed that they could hear the praises of God in their own language.

So, irrespective of gender and status, the great gift of the Holy Spirit is given to everyone, male & female, slave or free person. The praises of God are declared in the different languages of the hearers. They didn't have to listen to it in Hebrew or get a translator.

So the Holy Spirit was overcoming divisions, prejudices, statuses and empowering everyone male or female, young or old. The Holy Spirit was establishing the democracy of the Spirit. In harmony with Jesus' own teaching the Spirit does away with selfish ambition, status, power, privilege. The Holy Spirit does away with special clothing and any other obsession with appearances or trivial things. The Holy Spirit makes known to everyone that God is with us in all our situations. We don't have to be in any particular places, or say any particular words, or use any particular style of language. We don't have to try to reach up to God, or try to make ourselves acceptable to God. We don't have to change God's mind or persuade God to be good to us. God has already done all this for us in Jesus. God is now Emmanuel, God With Us. In Christ we become his Body & Blood and God is present with us in the ordinary things and situations of every day.

The Holy Spirit gathers the community together where all are brothers and sisters. No one sets themselves up as the only Teacher or Master, because Christ is the Teacher.

No one allows themselves to be called Father and the others do not allow anyone to dictate or dominate the group because they have only one Father, in heaven. Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit the followers of Jesus learn from the gentleness and humility of Jesus. They allow themselves to be changed and become as children, not silly, naive and irresponsible, but spontaneous, grateful, non-judgemental, trusting, believing, & benevolent. The Spirit teaches them to love and serve one another with joy and graciousness. The Spirit teaches them that they are all one. So there is no need for competition, jealousy or envy. Everyone has an equal value in God's eyes and everyone has some role they can fulfil which helps the community. No one is better than anyone else.

The Holy Spirit teaches everyone that they are on a spiritual growth journey. The Spirit is leading them into the fuller truth. They will come to know other "sheep" that Jesus has that don't come from the same culture or religious tradition. The followers of Jesus will listen to them, share with them and learn from them. They will admire and respect the work that God has done in gathering all these different groups in different parts of the world.

The Holy Spirit will dwell in the hearts of all, leading them on a spiritual journey of prayer. On this journey it doesn't matter about words, because the Spirit will pray in ways that are beyond words. The prayer of the "little ones who have faith" will be primarily thanksgiving and praise. They will praise God for all the wonders of the creation. They will thank God for all the greatness of God's compassion, mercy and goodness revealed in Jesus.

They will delight in all the marvellous things they can do, in all the gifts and talents they have, in the many ways they can be kind, loving, caring and life-giving. They will recognise also limitations, weaknesses, faults and failings. But because they have complete trust in God's love they do not waste energy on self-condemnation, guilt or anxiety. They do not allow themselves to be paralysed by discouragement. Instead, taking responsibility for themselves and for those in need they take positive action and do all they can to make things better for everyone. (DMA)

St Francis, Milford-on-Sea

Anniversaries this week: Henry Joseph Batty (8th), Anne Todd (10th)

Sick & Housebound: Sarah Bell, Kathleen Connaughton & Hilary Sendall.

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED for Kathleen Connaughton who is in hospital and is very weak & frail.

URGENT REMEDIAL WORK – RESTRICTED ACCESS: Urgent repair work needs to be carried to re-build the chimney rendered unsafe by masonry bees. This will mean that from 6th June until 23rd June **access to the Sacristy & Flower/Store Room will be prohibited during working hours, Monday to Friday.** As Fr Peter Ryan is away for the next few weeks and Fr David has to attend the Diocesan Clergy Convocation (June 13th - 15th) the Wednesday Service will be suspended until after 23rd June.

FROM JENNY HALLE & FAMILY: Thanks to everyone, for the wonderful support of Masses, prayers, thoughts, cards, flowers given over the last 15 months. I really cannot express our gratitude for the love that has been shown.

St Anne, Brockenhurst

Anniversaries this week: Sheila Belson (6th), Rose Plumbly, Jeremiah O'Shea (8th), Anne Birks (10th)

Please keep up your prayers for Kieran Holland, Anna Hubbard and Bliss Morris.

OUR SUMMER FETE ON JUNE 17TH is drawing ever nearer! So far we have appealed for indoor and outdoor plants, good conditioned paperback books and items for the Tombola. Now, we draw your attention to another stall, valuable when you help us to make it so. This is our Gift stall, where we sell jewellery, toiletries and beautiful ornaments. So, those 'treasures' that you have, but for which you no longer have any use, now is your chance to give pleasure to someone else! Bring them to the church porch and our gift stall holders will be very grateful.

We have an excellent team of caterers, who help our visitors and the stall holders to enjoy a light lunch and an afternoon tea, but they do need our **HELP WITH THE HOME-MADE FOOD** that they provide for us. So PLEASE, would you help them by making a quiche, or some cake? Quiche-makers in particular, are really needed. More about catering next week!

THE 100 CLUB: This parish activity originated when the parish needed every pound that could be raised. Nowadays, whilst in better financial fettle, the 100 Club also has a social fun aspect and it is good to see that many parishioners have continued to support it. That is not to say that we do not need new members because we do, the number of supporters having fallen a little despite the prizes having remained the same. Hence we would really welcome some new subscribers, who should contact Anne Woolhouse, Cedric Lark or Bill Pignatelli so as to get started.

The **new 100 Club year** begins on the 1st of June with subscriptions remaining at £24 per annum, (the equivalent of £2 per month) for each number allotted to you. You may of course purchase more than one number to increase your chances of winning. Prizes for the coming year will be £100 in June, September and December, £60 in March and £40 in each of the remaining months. When we collect subscriptions in June we will be happy to have either cash or else cheques made payable to "PRCDTR-St. Anne's-Brockenhurst". Please do continue to keep the 100 Club going for the good of our parish!

The **PPC Minutes of the last Meeting** are now on the notice board. However, for those who don't quite manage to stop and read these, here are a few items for your attention: 1. The **Charity concert** arranged by Dawn Swarbrick and Cynthia Wilson will take place at St Saviour's on July 15th. Fuller details are in the Minutes. 2. Dawn is also hosting the parish **House Mass** on Friday 15th September. 3. The Social Committee are appealing for more help from parishioners not directly involved with the Summer Fete. 4. There is a general invitation for parishioners (younger ones included) to prepare the Intercessions for the Sunday Mass. Talk to Fr David, if interested..

Newsletter items to Paddy at greenoaks@waitrose.com by Thurs please.

Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington

Anniversaries this week: John Rogers, Mary England, Mary Toolan (6th), Leonard Bogajski, George Boutwood (7th), Alice Fitzpatrick, Howard Barker (9th)

Sick and Housebound: Cathy Pickles, Terence & Betty Isles, Marie Smith, Celine McCay, Mary Aylward, Mary Norton, , Chrissie James, Patricia Mate, Peter Strubin.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB meets on **Monday 5th June from 2-4pm in Joseph's Place.** We will have a quiz, raffle and Brian's corner. Jill will be showing her marvellous crochet work which will be followed by afternoon tea. We will be taking bookings for the trip to the Lavender Farm on Wednesday 21st June, calling into the Cadnam Garden Centre if time permits. Another diary date is Friday 9th June when The Friendship Singers will be visiting Thornfields. Everyone most welcome. Please call Fran on 678525 for details or transport.

CWL: The next meeting of the CWL is 3pm on Tuesday 13th June at Eileen's house, for our strawberry tea.

HEALTH & SAFETY: If you have any first aid training, or you are a doctor or nurse, and attend the 6pm Mass on Saturday evening or 10.30am Mass on Sunday morning at OLSJ please make yourself known to Fr David.

FLOWER BOXES: The work on the flower boxes is now more or less complete. Those who have sponsored a box will have their dedication plaques attached in the next week or so. We will also put a security cover over the irrigation controller. If you would like to sponsor a box and have it dedicated to the memory of loved ones the cost is £250. A part sponsorship is also available at £50. The cost will include the provision of the plaque. Please contact Lisa in the Parish Office for further details.

All Parishes

DON'T MISS THIS EVENT, PUT IT IN YOUR DIARY: Thursday evening, 14th September 2017 at South Lawn Hotel, -

Children of the Universe Fund Raising Dinner. More information about this fun event closer to the time (from Keith & Rini Stuttaford).

DISCIPLESHIP IN A CHANGING CHURCH: Prof. Werner G Jeanrond, Master of St Benet's Hall, University of Oxford, will be giving a talk on this subject at St Peter's RC Church, Winchester on Saturday 17th June between 11am and 12.30pm. All welcome. For further information please visit www.acalltoaction.org.uk. Please use city car parks or Park & Ride if coming by car as parking at the church is very limited.

GOLF DAY - Join us for a relaxing day of Golf organised by the Catenian Association in aid of CAFOD's work overseas on 7 July at 12.30pm at Dummer Golf Course, Dummer Village, Basingstoke RG25 2AD. For more information and an application form please contact Dave McKenna on 07931 564064 or email dave.rose.mckenna@gmail.com

REFLECTIVE DAY AT WISDOM HOUSE: JUNE 17th: If like many of us you have events or situations in life that make it difficult to handle emotions such as Anger, Anxiety and Guilt you may find our day on 17th June (10am – 4pm) useful. The day is open to those of all faiths and none, and led by a qualified Christian counsellor, Gordon Anderson. Using storytelling, this day looks at how negative emotions sabotage our goals, relationships and personal wellbeing. Drawing on his experience as a Christian Counsellor, Gordon will guide participants through carefully selected Biblical narrative to look at how anger, anxiety and guilt can block our goals and vision for our own life, and make our hopes for a better future seem uncertain or unreachable. Achieving greater happiness and fulfilment means recognising how negative emotions sabotage the very things that we would most like to achieve, a life of meaning and fulfilling personal relationships. To book please call Wisdom Centre on 01794 830206 or email reception@wisdomhouseromsey.co.uk. The contribution for the day is £27 which includes lunch, refreshments and afternoon tea and cake. We can take payments by cheque, cash or bacs. A booking form can be found on this link. http://www.wisdomhouseromsey.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/our-Rebel-Emotions-Day_leaflet.pdf