

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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School: Our Lady & St Joseph Catholic Primary School, Ramley Rd, Pennington, 01590 672711. **Head of School:** Nanette Allies

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); 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:

From 10 - 10.30am after Mass on Saturdays or by request

Masses & Services for the Week: 4th November - 12th November

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	CHURCH	LITURGY	INTENTION	P
SAT	4 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	31 st Sunday in Ordinary Time (G)	Those who are unwell	DMA
SUN	5 th	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	31 st Sunday in Ordinary Time (G)	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	5 th	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	31 st Sunday in Ordinary Time (G)	Weld Family Living and Dead F/M	DMA
SUN	5 th	12.30pm	Baptism	Our Lady	child Adam Perlowski	N/A	DMA
SUN	5 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	31 st Sunday in Ordinary Time (G)	Michael Reardon RIP Anniv	PWR
MON	6 th	9.30am	Word & H C	Our Lady	of the Day (G)	N/A	
TUE	7 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the Day (G)	Joseph & Flora Weld RIP F/M	DMA
WED	8 th	10.00am	Mass	St Francis	of the Day (G)	Pat Marshall RIP	DMA
WED	8 th	10.00am	Mass	St Anne	of the Day (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
WED	8 th	9.30am	Word & H C	Our Lady	of the Day (G)	N/A	
THU	9 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	Ded. Lateran Basilica, Feast (W)	For the Intentions of Pope Francis	DMA
FRI	10 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	St Leo the Great, Mem (W)	Frank Mincham RIP	DMA
FRI	10 th	12 noon	Funeral Service	Our Lady	Funeral Service - Margaret Wildegger RIP	N/A	DMA
SAT	11 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	St St Martin of Tours, Mem (W)	Deceased Clergy of the Province	DMA
SAT	11 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	Remembrance Sunday / Holy Souls	Casualties of war & the Holy Souls	DMA
SUN	12 th	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	Remembrance Sunday / Holy Souls	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	12 th	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	Remembrance Sunday / Holy Souls	Casualties of war & the Holy Souls	DMA
SUN	12 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	Remembrance Sunday / Holy Souls	Casualties of war & the Holy Souls	DMA

Forthcoming Special Collections or Appeals:

THIS WEEKEND - Nov 4/5 Bamenda Collection

EVERYONE HAS SOMETHING TO RECEIVE AND SOMETHING TO GIVE.

In our first reading today, the prophet Malachi is exposing the failures of the then "clergy". The power of clergy generally has been both a blessing and a curse. A blessing when leadership has been enabling, encouraging, empowering and nurturing (as St Paul writes: "like a mother looking after her children). A curse when it has been dictatorial, oppressive, ignorant, narrow-minded and blind to its own prejudices and ego needs. Some clergy imagine they have a God-given right to lord it over a community's life of faith and worship remaking it according to their own personal likes & dislikes, making others bear the burden of their theological ignorance, scruples and hang-ups. But people are no longer allowing that to happen. This one-sided way of being church is disappearing fast.

An earlier prophet, Jeremiah, had foretold a time when there will be "no need for a man to teach his neighbor" for "they will all know me from the least to the greatest" (Jer 31:34). Through the prophet Joel God declared that: "I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy. Your young will see visions, and your old will dream dreams" (Joel 2:28).

What we are experiencing in the Church and in the world now is the liberation of the gifts of the Holy Spirit in women and men of faith. The Spirit is no longer being suppressed by the ego needs of a few exploiting the dependency of the many. It's been a long time coming. Finally, the oppressive grip of a patriarchal and self-serving elite is being loosened. This elite has only itself to blame for its loss of authority and credibility. For too long ordinary people were not given any confidence in their own, God given, inner authority (the Spirit, the Christ within) but instead made dependent upon external authority which presumed to do the thinking and deciding for them, too often to its own advantage.

In today's world people can explore and educate themselves. They can enter into dialogue and discussion and be open to many different points of view. As Jesus suggested, they are judging for themselves what is right (Lk. 12:57). They can share experiences and learn from one another. They can benefit from different spiritualities and ways of prayer. They can experience a new awe and wonder as they see the unitive visions of science and contemplative "knowing" converge. And people are discovering that the yeast/leaven of the Gospel is already out there. The Kingdom has been growing of its own accord way beyond the boundaries of denominations and faith traditions.

The Church will always exist, but its form will have to change to allow the Gospel to be fully received and expressed. There will always be authority, but it is the authority of the Christ shared with all the sisters and brothers. There will always be one Father in heaven to whom every little "god" must submit. There will always be one Spirit given to everyone to drink. There will always be one way, the way of loving, humble service. (DMA)

St Francis, Milford-on-Sea

Anniversaries this week: James Madden (6th), Mary Bridget Wright, Rose Alice Parsons (8th), John Banks (9th)

Sick & Housebound: Audrey Heneghan, Anna Langford, Hannah McArthur, Sean McVeigh & Hilary Sendall.

PAT MARSHALL RIP: Pat's Requiem Mass & Committal Service will be celebrated at St Francis of Assisi Church on Wednesday, 15th November at 10.00am. The cremation will take place at Bournemouth Crematorium and will be unattended. We pray for Pat and her bereaved family. May Pat rest in peace and rise in glory.

THANKS TO: everyone who helped to organise the very successful charity concert and all those who supported. It was a great evening & after expenses, the sum of £801.48p was able to be distributed to the African Charities and the Women's Refuge.

THE FUTURE OF MILFORD-ON-SEA HOSPITAL: Community consultation. You are welcome to drop in and talk to us at: **All Saints Church Hall**, SO41 0SQ, Wednesday 8 November, at any time between 6pm - 8pm.

St Anne, Brockenhurst

Anniversaries this week: Juanita Scrope, Margaret Cayford (7th), Charles Mylus, Reginald Nunes, Leonard Norris (8th), Helen Thompson (10th)

Please remember in your prayers: Kieran Holland, Anna Hubbard and Eileen Dunn. But please do remember that we need to help each other by noting anyone you may know who is now housebound for one reason or another, but perhaps needs a friendly face and/or Holy Communion.

Also, please remember Jo Chatterton who died recently. Take a leisurely glance at her photograph in the church porch, taken by the nurses. It will come down after Sunday. Jo's Funeral Service will take place at St Anne's on **Thursday, 23rd November at 11.30am** followed by burial in the cemetery near St Nicholas's Church. We pray for Jo and her bereaved family. May she rest in peace and rise in glory.

Remember the Rosary that is being prayed every Wednesday morning at 9.30am in the Lady Chapel. All are very welcome to join this communal prayer for peace.

Fr Quarmby will be celebrating Mass on Monday, Thursday and Saturday at 10am, Friday at 8am and, of course he will be with us for the Parish Mass on Wednesday at 10am.

The Parish Annual General Meeting: draws nigh! It is next Sunday, November 12th, immediately after the 6pm Mass. Do your best to be there, in the parish room. It gives you the opportunity to know a little bit more, and maybe to offer more, towards parish life.

100 Club: Margaret Brooks, no. 54 was our lucky winner of the £40 this month. Well done Margaret. Don't spend it all at once! If you are not yet a member of our 100 club, but would like to know more about it and how to join, please approach Anne Woolhouse, Bill Pignatelli or Cedric Lark.

Please remember your sub-editor and keep the sheet alive and up to date. Just tell me the item and I'll write up the rest. Send it to greenoaks@waitrose.com before Thursday lunch time. Thank you!

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THE SVP SAYS THANK YOU: The St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to say thanks to all those of you who contributed so generously to the SVP Appeal last month. With your help and prayers we continue to implement the direction of Pope Francis: "Let us love, not with words but with deeds". The local, vulnerable folk are always with us.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY & HOLY SOULS: On the weekend of 11th/12th November the Sunday Masses will commemorate all the casualties of war and all the faithful departed. The Mass Liturgy will be the same as for Holy Souls and special Mass sheets will be provided with the readings to be used. Readers & composers of Bidding Prayers for these Masses should contact Fr David if they have any queries.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: Saturday 2nd December 2017 from 12pm to 2pm at **St Dominic's Priory, Sway**.

Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington

Anniversaries this week: Agnes Kealey, Claude Seton-Dry (28th), Lily Osborn (29th), Maurice Bogget, Iris Simpson (30th), Francis Gurd (31st), June Parkin, Thomas McCarthy (1st), Patricia Wilkins, Niamh Fitzgerald-Graham (4th), John Bickers, Maud Southam, Leopoldine Foot (5th), Velma Neal, Eileen Mary Jenkins (7th), Albert Melliush, Mary McPherson (8th), Mary Wyatt (9th)

Sick and Housebound: Jackie Hardy, Marcia Greenwood, Mai Wilson, Cathy Pickles, Den Walker, Brian Choules, Len Harley, Marie Smith, Celine McCay, Mary Aylward, Mary Norton, Patricia Mate.

MANY THANKS: to everyone who helped and contributed to the Saturday coffee/lunches which raised £210 for the **Minstead Trust**. We are pleased to support this inspiring organisation which provides opportunities for people with learning difficulties.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB meets this **Monday 6th November from 2-4pm in Joseph's Place**. We have a packed program including a quiz, art raffle, afternoon tea. Frank Callaghan will speak on art and we will have a chance to sing from the new Friendship Singer songbook. We will be taking names for our next outing on Monday 20th November to Stuarts Gardenlands to see their Christmas display, tea and shopping. There will be news on forthcoming December activities. For information or transport please call Fran on 678525 or Audrey on 670158. Everyone welcome.

CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE: The next meeting is on the **Tuesday, 14th November at 2.15 in Joseph's Place**, Our Lady of Mercy and St Joseph, Lymington. After the meeting at approx 3pm in Joseph's Place, we shall be having a talk given by **John O'Malley about the Orangutan Appeal UK** which he runs in Sway. He will be giving a picture presentation of the work they do. All are welcome to the talk.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT: Lymington Choral Society, **7pm Saturday 2 December 2017 St Thomas' Church, Lymington**. Vivaldi Gloria, Saint-Saëns Oratorio de Noel and other seasonal music brought to you by the Choral Society, Musical Director, Michael Goldthorpe and Timothy Rice, Organ. The Lymington Classical Players, Leader Jack Maguire. Singers from local schools. Soloists from the London Conservatoires. **Tickets £15, £12.50 (gallery restricted view)** accompanied children free - includes a glass of wine or soft drink Available from Maxwell Hamilton, Lymington 01590 672191, Milford Community Centre 01590 644861, New Forest Stationers, New Milton 01425 620480 and on the door until sold out. Phone for tickets: 01425 614023 Monday to Saturday 9am - 7pm. More Information: www.lymingtonchoral.org.uk Email: sheila.lcs@hotmail.com

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SECOND COLLECTION: - for the Diocese of Bamenda in the Cameroons

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA: CHRISTMAS GIFTS: Following consultation with those who have organised this previously and to simplify the process & avoid duplication it has been decided to do the following: Clare Bassett will prepare at least 50 Christmas boxes for the seafarers. She will purchase the appropriate items (hats, gloves, scarves, chocolate & toiletries) & fill each box. **So CASH DONATIONS towards the cost of these items should be made in envelopes marked AOS & preferably with the name of the donor.** These can be put in the collection plates at each of the churches or delivered to 132 High St, Lymington.

CATHOLIC LEGACY WEEK 5-11 NOVEMBER: Gifts in your Will are a very valuable and lasting way you can continue to support the Church's ministry and mission and help meet the needs of future generations. Do please consider gifts to the Church and Catholic charities next time you update your Will. For more information: contact Your Catholic Legacy on 020 7095 5370, go to www.yourcatholiclegacy.org.uk or request a leaflet from the Parish Office.

CAFOD MEMORIAL MASS: A Mass of remembrance for all those CAFOD supporters, family and friends who have passed away will be held on Sunday 19th November at 10am at St Michael & All Angels Church Leigh Park. Everyone is welcome.

DARK DUSTY PINK CARPET: The SVP has been approached to find a needy home for some good condition, **Dark Dusty Pink Carpet**. The owner would like to donate the carpet from her previous flat. In terms of size, it covered a large lounge/diner, a double bedroom and the hallway - there is also some underlay. All is wrapped and ready to Go! For further information, please phone Patrick Swinden 01590 670547.