

# 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

## Parish Contacts:

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**Website:** www.nfwp.org.uk; **Parish Blog:** www.lymrcchurch.blogspot.com. **Registered Charity No:** 246871/2

**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: 25<sup>th</sup> November - 3<sup>rd</sup> December

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	CHURCH	LITURGY	INTENTION	P
SAT	25 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Ma ss	Our Lady	<b>Our Lord Jesus Christ - King of the Universe ( W )</b>	Charles McCartan RIP F/M	DMA
SUN	26 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Ma ss	St Francis	<b>Our Lord Jesus Christ - King of the Universe ( W )</b>	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	26 <sup>th</sup>	10.30a m	Ma ss	Our Lady	<b>Our Lord Jesus Christ - King of the Universe ( W )</b>	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	26 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Ma ss	St Anne	<b>Our Lord Jesus Christ - King of the Universe ( W )</b>	Josephine Chatterton RIP	DMA
MON	27 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Word & H C	Our Lady	of the Day ( G )	N/A	
TUE	28 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Ma ss	Our Lady	of the Day ( G )	Mother RIP of Meg Nightingale	DMA
WED	29 <sup>th</sup>	10.00a m	Ma ss	St Francis	of the Day ( G )	For Those who are unwell	DMA
WED	29 <sup>th</sup>	10.00a m	Ma ss	St Anne	of the Day ( G )	as per celebrant	DQ
WED	29 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Word & H C	Our Lady	of the Day ( G )	N/A	
THU	30 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Ma ss	Our Lady	St Andrew, Feast, ( R )	Meg Justus (Peace)	DMA
FRI	1 <sup>st</sup>	9.30am	Ma ss	Our Lady	of the Day ( G )	Joseph & Flora WeId RIP F/M	DMA
SAT	2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30am	Ma ss	Our Lady	of the Day ( G )	For Those who are unwell	DMA
SAT	2 <sup>nd</sup>	6.00pm	Ma ss	Our Lady	<b>1st Sunday of Advent, Yr B ( P )</b>	Ada Janet Mills RIP F/M	DMA
SUN	3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.00am	Ma ss	St Francis	<b>1st Sunday of Advent, Yr B ( P )</b>	Richard Martin Power RIP F/M	DMA
SUN	3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.30a m	Ma ss	Our Lady	<b>1st Sunday of Advent, Yr B ( P )</b>	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	3 <sup>rd</sup>	6.00pm	Ma ss	St Anne	<b>1st Sunday of Advent, Yr B ( P )</b>	The Baker Family F/M	DMA

### Forthcoming Special Collections or Appeals:

please support **BASICS BANK THIS CHRISTMAS**

**CHRIST THE KING:** How can we talk of Jesus Christ the King today? What does it mean? First, we have to remember that "Christ" is not Jesus's surname! We should properly talk about Jesus the Christ. The Christ is the Divine Word, the Divine blueprint or plan expressed and made visible in creation, in all that is. Everything, us included, has come from the Divine Word and everything is held in being by the creative love and power of God. So the Christ cannot be anything other than Sovereign, King, Lord or whatever title of supremacy we may care to use.

Here is a great mystery, from the experience of "what is", the visible, we are invited to contemplate the invisible source of all that is. This openness to the Divine Other is faith. In the encounter with Jesus of Nazareth people came to experience, know and believe that Jesus was and is from God in a unique way. In the life, teaching and loving sacrifice of Jesus people experienced Divine love and came to the conviction that this is what life is all about, this is what true love really is, this is the meaning and purpose of everything. And Jesus reveals not only who God is but also the true and full nature and potential of humanity.

By God's gift and God's Spirit we have received this faith, this conviction, we experience it in the lives of all good, compassionate and holy people, we celebrate it in Eucharist and all the sacraments, and hopefully, we communicate it, in some measure, to those we meet.

And here is another great mystery: the whole of creation, and us included, are in a process of becoming, of growing, or as St Paul wrote, of "giving birth". We are being drawn out of our prison of "disobedience" and into the embrace of the loving mercy of God. In this mystery of becoming God's love is humble and gentle, merciful, patient and compassionate. The powers of the "world" and the forces of negativity may seem to hold sway for a while but they are all passing away.

God's love has triumphed, does triumph and always will triumph. God is always and already in all and through all and with all. Ultimately, we will all experience the inexpressible joy of knowing and experiencing that God is, indeed, **ALL IN ALL.** (DMA)

## *St Francis, Milford-on-Sea*

**Anniversaries this week:** Thomas Frank Leaman Abbott (27<sup>th</sup>), John Garth Davies (30<sup>th</sup>), Frederick Fothergill Culmer (1<sup>st</sup>), Jean Penman O'Hara, Anne Veronica Chatee, Gerry Hazelden (2<sup>nd</sup>)

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

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL - REPORT TO THE PARISH:** this will take place on Sunday, 3rd December and will be given at the end of Mass which will finish earlier to accommodate.

**FINANCE & PROPERTY COMMITTEE - REPORT TO THE PARISH:** this will take place similarly on Sunday, 10th December.

**GOVERNORS NEEDED!** Our Lady and St Joseph's Primary School is in need of about three new Governors in the very near future. Should this interest you, please apply for more information from Mr Declan Goodwin, executive Headmaster on 01590 672711.

## *St Anne, Brockenhurst*

**Anniversaries this week:** William Clark (30th), Gladys Boocock, Jean Lilpop (1st), William Teague (2nd)

**TABLE TOP SALE THIS SUNDAY:** after Mass in the Parish Rooms to help fund our Parish Christmas Lunch.

**Christmas is coming,** the goose is getting thin, **PLEASE** put a tin in the **BASICS BANK BIN.** The final collection will be Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>, but, with luck, we'll need many more collections to keep the bin emptied before the 17<sup>th</sup>! Poverty, in spite of what we all experience, is increasing, so please, we must be generous this Christmas. Thank you.

**Fr. Quarby** will celebrate Mass at 10am every day this week except Thursday, when Mass will be at 8am (this time needs to be confirmed with Fr Q).

**MISSION RED BOXES:** A number of Box Holders have asked when the Red Boxes are due for collection and were concerned there might be a problem if they contained old style £1 coins. Bill Pignatelli will be happy to receive the boxes after Mass on Sunday and Wednesday for the next 2 weeks. The good news is that the banks will still accept the old style £1 coins and if you have any left around the house why not put them to good use and pop them in the red box.

**Fr. Charlie – Malawi.** A small group of generous parishioners have raised £625 (including gift aid) to help equip the parish's vital health facility in Malawi. Fr Charlie is delighted and most grateful. Please see the photos (soon) on the notice board. He says that he will be emailing his thanks to the individuals.

**The Monthly Parish Lunch** will be held at the Foresters on Tuesday this week. We start to gather from 12md. Why not come and join us? You might enjoy yourselves!

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**Brockenhurst Christmas Concert:** Not to be missed, will happen at St Saviour's Church on Saturday Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>. It begins at 7.30pm. its main work is Karl Kenkins: 'Stella Natalis'. Perhaps you already know 'The Armed Man' If so, then look forward to his Christmas music too! The second part of the concert is our traditional medley of Christmas Carols. Tickets are now available from Pot Pourri or Streets, or at the door on the night. £15.

**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!**

## *Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington*

**Anniversaries this week:** John Fiffins (26th), Robert Keen (28th), Jean Proctor (29th), Edward Grzegorzewski (30th)

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

**YOUTH SUNDAY:** The Feast of Christ the King is also designated Youth Sunday. Please welcome our young Confirmation candidates (plus one RCIA candidate) at the 10.30 Mass this weekend. They are Daisy, Christopher, Joshua, Sophie and Vicki.

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**CHILDRENS LITURGY – FESTIVE GATHERING:** At coffee after Mass on **Sunday 10th December** we would like to invite the children to gather in Joseph's Place for some festive treats and a little gift.

**ADVENT SERVICE - Awaiting the Dawn.** A beautiful reflection of Advent in preparation for the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017 at Our Lady of Mercy & St Joseph at 7.30pm.** As the Church will be lit by candle light only, you may wish to bring a small torch to follow the service.

**MISSIO CALENDARS:** are available at the back of church. Please help yourself to a free calendar and keep up to date with the wonderful work of the Missions throughout the world.

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT:** Lymington Choral Society, **7pm Saturday 2 December 2017 St Thomas' Church, Lymington. 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](http://www.lymingtonchoral.org.uk) Email: [sheila.lcs@hotmail.com](mailto:sheila.lcs@hotmail.com)

## *All Parishes*

**FUTURE OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS UNDER THREAT:** Do you support Catholic schools and the right of Catholics to send their children to them? Then we need you to make your voice heard. The Government is making a critical decision on whether to overturn the admissions cap which prevents Catholic schools from allowing all Catholic pupils to attend. They have acknowledged that this policy discriminates against Catholics and promised to abandon it, now we need you to tell them not to u-turn on their promise to Catholics. **Visit <http://catholicnews.org.uk/education-cap> or search for 'Catholic Education' in your search engine to write to the Government and urge them to drop their policy which will effectively preclude new Catholic schools.**

**APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA: CHRISTMAS GIFTS: THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS:** On Friday Clare & Peter Bassett & their team of helpers were able to hand over 50 Christmas parcels to the Assistant Chaplain to the Apostleship of the Sea, Peter Morgan. These will be distributed to needy seafarers. Any further donations to AOS will help continue the good work of the charity.

**NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE & CONGRESS - LIVERPOOL 7th-9th SEPTEMBER 2018:** one place is available to our parishes (Lym-Brock-Mil): £40 per day (Fri & Sat) and participants will also need to fund their own transport and accommodation. Fr David will need to know if anyone is interested before 4th Dec..

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