

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

Our Lady of Mercy & St Joseph
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St Anne
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St Francis of Assisi
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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:

Saturdays at Our Lady & St Joseph
10-10.30am

Masses & Services for the Week; 19th May - 27th May

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	CHURCH	LITURGY	INTENTION	P
SAT	19 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	Pentecost Sunday (R)	as per celebrant	SB
SUN	20 th	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	Pentecost Sunday (R)	as per celebrant	SB
SUN	20 th	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	Pentecost Sunday (R)	as per celebrant	SB
SUN	20 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	Pentecost Sunday (R)	as per celebrant	PWR
MON	21 st	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	7 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
TUE	22 nd	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	7 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
WED	23 rd	9.30am	Word & H C	Our Lady	7 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	N/A	
WED	23 rd	10.00am	Mass	St Anne	7 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	as per celebrant	DQ
WED	23 rd	10.00am	Word & H C	St Francis	7 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	N/A	
THU	24 th	9.30am	Word & H C	Our Lady	7 th Week in Ordinary Time (G)	N/A	
FRI	25 th	9.30am	Word & H C	Our Lady	St Bede the Venerable, Mem, (W)	N/A	
SAT	26 th	9.30am	Word & H C	Our Lady	St Philip Ne ri, Mem, (W)	N/A	
SAT	26 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	The Most Holy Trinity (W)	as per celebrant	SB
SUN	27 th	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	The Most Holy Trinity (W)	as per celebrant	SB
SUN	27 th	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	The Most Holy Trinity (W)	as per celebrant	SB
SUN	27 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	The Most Holy Trinity (W)	as per celebrant	SB

NEXT COLLECTIONS: DAY FOR LIFE Jun 16th/17th; PETER'S PENCE Jun 30th/Jul 1st
APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA Jul 7th/8th,

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: Jane Tinsley, Constance Elizabeth Violet Slade-Jones (20th), Owen John Marshall (21st)

Sick & Housebound: Sarah Bell, Alison Doubleday, Margaret Langford, Hannah McArthur, Sean McVeigh, Sarah Nicholls & Hilary Sendall.

QUALIFIED CARER AVAILABLE: Barbara Mills is a qualified carer & spent her career as a qualified nurse. Barbara is available for overnight sleep ins or companionship within the Milford/New Milton/Lymington/Brockenhurst area. For more information phone Barbara on 01590 642320.

Thursday 31 May: Corpus Christi flower festival in Arundel Cathedral. Local firm **C & C Travel** is advertising this coach trip for £15. Ring Corinne on: 02380 845083 to book.

St Anne, Brockenhurst

Anniversaries this week: Joseph Taylor, Andre Prove (20th), Henry Wardale (22nd), Emma Hooper (23rd), Tessa Nally (24th)

Sick and housebound: Please keep Anna Hubbard in your prayers

FR QUARMBY'S MASSES & SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Please see the noticeboard.

THE ROSARY is said on Wednesday at 9.30 am before Mass. As you know, the month of May is a special time for honouring Our Lady.

SPECIAL THANKS: to all the contributors who created the beautiful, prayerful and thought provoking displays featured in "Prayer in the Feminine Voice". Also thanks for all the hard work acting as welcomers.

A CHARITY LUNCH is being put on at the home of Henrietta Reynolds on Thursday, 7th June. Tickets cost £15 each and places are limited to 30. Funds raised will go to Fr Charlie's Africa Mission and to Fr Des at St Joseph's Ashurst towards his work with those in need in Southampton. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the list on the notice board in the porch.

SUMMER FETE: A reminder that our annual summer fete will be taking place on **Sat 9th June between 12 noon and 3 pm.** Helpers are needed for the stalls and catering. Please also start bringing in old and new jewellery, toiletries and gift items in good condition.

Do please look at the notice boards in the porch and the Presbytery to see how you can help and contribute – and sign up! **ALSO BOTTLES** urgently needed for the **TOMBOLA.** Please give them to Cedric or Paddy.

CAFOD: A local walk of about 2 miles will take place on **Saturday 23rd June starting at 10.30am** in support of CAFOD'S *Share the Journey* campaign to raise awareness of the plight of refugees. Pope Francis has launched this campaign. It is an opportunity to show solidarity with our global neighbours who are fleeing their homes. Please add your name to the sheet on the notice board if you can come.

100 CLUB: We are very low on members, so we would appreciate some new people and perhaps families taking on an extra subscription otherwise we may have to consider reducing the prize money a little. Cheques payable to PRCDTR or cash in an envelope with name and tel number should be handed to Anne Woolhouse or Ian Holden.

CLEANER AVAILABLE: One of our parishioners is looking for regular local cleaning work. If this is of interest to you please call Sally on 07548926852.

Any items for the newsletter to anna@boylemellor.co.uk to arrive by Thursday morning.

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Our thanks to Frs Shaun Budden, Peter Ryan and David Quarmby who are be generously supporting the parishes over the next couple of weeks. Please give them every help and assistance

EVENTS AT WISDOM CENTRE, ROMSEY: They have a whole programme of monthly events planned at the Wisdom Centre running from now up until the end of the year. Here are some of the up & coming ones:

Saturday 26th May: - **A friendship with the One who loves us.**

Saturday 16th June: - **Humble Heart - Noble Heart: St. Benedict's Guide to Humility, Wisdom, Strength and Peace.**

Saturday 21st July: - **Self Development Day: A Day for You.**

Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington

Anniversaries this week: Cecilia Moverley, Paul Neary (19th), Madelena Jellousheg (20th), Madeleine Rowles (21st), James Russell (22nd), Mary Carr (23rd), Bridie Heneghan (25th)

Sick and Housebound: Ciaran Chrisp, Terry Iles, Mai Wilson, Den Walker, Brian Choules, Len Harley, Marie Smith, Celine McCay, Mary Norton, Patricia Mate, Henry Haverty

REMINDER TO FIRE WARDENS FROM OLMSJ ONLY- there will be a meeting at 7pm, Thursday 7th June, in Joseph's place. Anyone interested in becoming a fire warden- especially from the 6pm Saturday Mass- will be welcome. We shall be looking at specific responsibilities and a more detailed plan of evacuation in case lives are threatened in any way.

CONGRATULATIONS: to Joshua Balais, Christopher Carr, Daisy Collison, Sophie Hillman and Vicky Pent on receiving the fullness of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation last Sunday in Portsmouth Cathedral. We will have an opportunity to celebrate more fully with them at the feast of Pentecost. And a special **THANKYOU** to Cathy Pickles, our Lead Catechist for guiding our young people on their sacramental journey; also to Lisa for admin support.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB: Our next meeting at St Joseph's Place on Monday 21st May another trip on Southampton Water on the 'Alison McGregor'. A popular outing but limited to 12 passengers so 'first come, first served'. Unfortunately, the proposed trip to Bucklers Hard on Monday 18th June has had to be cancelled due to lack of minibus driver and Marshal on the day. Contact Neville 01590 688337.

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REMINDER TO ALL APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA TEAMS - there is a meeting on Thursday 31st May at 7pm in Joseph's place. We shall be looking at a new rota and discussing how we think the project is going.

IMPORTANT - CALLING ALL READERS: If you are a reader or would like to be a reader, this is for you. Even for those who have been reading a while there is always something to learn and share with others. Please support this.

Diocesan Day for Readers-16th June 2018. St Bede's Catholic Church, Popley Way, Basingstoke, Hampshire. RG24 9DX. The Day will start with Mass at 9.30 am, and will end at 3.00 pm. It is offered for everyone who is involved in reading at Mass, as an opportunity to meet, share, be formed, and pray together. A buffet Lunch will be provided, thanks to the generous support of the Bible Society. You can register via Portsmouth Diocese enews or via Sr Hyacinth at St Dominic's Priory on 01590 681874 .

THE GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION (GDPR) will take effect in the UK in May 2018. It replaces the existing law on data protection (the Data Protection Act 1998) and gives individuals more rights and protection in how their personal data is used by organisations. Parishes must comply with its requirements, just like any other charity or organisation.

The law is complex, but there are a number of underlying principles, including that **personal data** -i.e. *information relating to a living individual, who can be identified directly from that data or indirectly by reference to other data held must be:*

1. processed lawfully, fairly and transparently- '*processed*' is anything done with/to personal data, including storing it.
2. only used for a specific processing purpose that the data subject (*that's you*) has been made aware of.
3. collected on a data subject (*that's you*) should be "adequate, relevant and limited." *i.e. only the minimum amount of data should be kept for specific processing.*
4. accurate and where necessary kept up to date.
5. stored for no longer than is necessary, and that storage is safe and secure.

The *data controller* (the PP as an agent of the Diocese) is the person who determines the how and what of data processing in a parish.

GDPR builds on existing Data Protection legislation and on the good practices we are all already applying in our parish- we take care of people's data and aim to be good stewards of it, although there are some changes under the new law that we all need to make on how we do things. **So far:** The Diocese has requested we complete a *Data Protection Audit* of our three churches and this has been completed and sent to the Diocese. Fr David and Linda Guilding have attended the first Diocesan training session on GDPR. We now await the next stage of the process from the Diocese which will release more information. This should be available over the coming weeks. Watch this space!.