

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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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: 25th August - 2nd September

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	CHURCH	LITURGY	INTENTION	P
SAT	25 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	21 st Sunday of the Year B (G)	Rita Palmer RIP	DMA
SUN	26 th	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	21 st Sunday of the Year B (G)	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	26 th	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	21 st Sunday of the Year B (G)	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	26 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	21 st Sunday of the Year B (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
MON	27 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	St Monica, Mem, (W)	as per celebrant	PWR
TUE	28 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	St Augustine of Hippo, Mem, (W)	Pope Francis & People of Ireland	DMA
WED	29 th	9.30am	W & C	Our Lady	The Passion of John the Baptist, Mem, (R)	N/A	
WED	29 th	10.00am	Mass	St Francis	The Passion of John the Baptist, Mem, (R)	Marjorie Horton (Recovery)	DMA
WED	29 th	10.00am	Mass	St Anne	The Passion of John the Baptist, Mem, (R)	as per celebrant	PWR
WED	29 th	3.00pm	Memorial	Our Lady	Memorial Service - Monique James RIP	N/A	
THU	30 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	Ss M Clitherow, A Line & M Ward, Mem, (R)	CWL - Past & Present Members	DMA
FRI	31 st	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	St Aidan & Lindisfarne Saints, Mem, (W)	For Apostleship of the Sea Teams	DMA
SAT	1 st	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	Our Lady on Saturday (W)	For Those who are unwell	DMA
SAT	1 st	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	22 nd Sunday of the Year B (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	2 nd	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	22 nd Sunday of the Year B (G)	For Parish Families	DMA
SUN	2 nd	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	22 nd Sunday of the Year B (G)	Clare & Peter Bassett 58 th Anniv	DMA
SUN	2 nd	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	22 nd Sunday of the Year B (G)	Jo Cole's Intentions	DMA

NEXT SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: Sept 8th/9th - SVP Appeal; Sept 15th/16th Home Missions

“Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life”

The Church is in a deep crisis and radical change is required.

The abuse crisis is just one very sad and horrific symptom of a more pervasive dysfunction. Pope Francis has consistently identified that one of the root causes of our problems, past and present, is clericalism. What is clericalism? It represents a culture among the clergy that is arrogant, dominant, self-serving, presumptuous and unaccountable. It is the legacy of a time when the institutional Church imitated the dominant political structures of the day – feudalism, aristocracy, monarchy and imperialism. It is called hierarchy. Many theological arguments were and are used (or rather abused) to justify attitudes and behaviours that are clearly contrary to the servant model that Jesus gave us.

However, before we start trying to blame the clergy for everything wrong we need to recognise how we are all easily drawn into unhealthy or dysfunctional relationships. The central failing of clericalism is an abuse of power and the need to feel self-important. “Every they do is done to attract attention” – this is Jesus’ psychological analysis. But the other side of this coin is our need for heroes, idols and celebrities who appear to be living our own dreams of self-fulfilment. Power can be abused in the home by husband, or wives or children. It can be abused at work by bosses or managers or workers.

Sometimes we are content to let others carry the burden of responsibility. We let other people tell us what to do because we are afraid to grapple with life and God’s call to us personally. Jesus says that we should not put ourselves on a pedestal nor should we allow anyone else to presume to control our lives. God alone is our Father,

Christ alone is our Teacher and we are all sisters and brothers, (cfr Matt 23: 10-12).

The old model of Church is dying. A new model is being born, but not really new since it was there all along in Jesus and in the Gospels. Birth is always painful. Power is rarely relinquished gracefully. (John the Baptist being a notable exception).

Here is a transcript of part of “Thought for the Day” (Today programme, BBC R4, 25th Aug 2018). It was given by Rev Deacon Dermot McCarthy from Dublin.

“...I also sense unease that the new Ireland emerging from the shadow of the Church may lose much that is positive. There is unease too that in the current international landscape Ireland’s prosperity may prove fragile. (Pope) Francis has a vision of the Church that reads the “signs of the times”. A poor Church, focussed on the needs of the poor, expressing the radical equality in Baptism of all the women and men of the Church. Above all, a joyful Church that transmits the Good News of Jesus Christ, not by imposing heavy burdens but by a liberating message of hope. Ireland is living through the death throes of a model of Church which grew powerfully and was used by the powerful. A new way of being Church is struggling to emerge. Institutions resist change, look a banking 10 years from the crash. I sense that the crisis brought about by the child abuse scandal will overwhelm institutional resistance to change. Discerning how to live in faithful witness to Jesus Christ, how to build up the Kingdom of God in respectful dialogue with those of no faith or hostile to faith, will not be easy. The encounter this weekend between Francis and the people of Ireland may be a fruitful place to start.”

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St Francis, Milford-on-Sea

Anniversaries this week: Kazimiras Kevelaitis (28th), Frederick Harbury (29th)

Sick & Housebound: Joan Lloyd, Marjorie Horton, Gill Boddington, Sarah Bell, Alison Doubleday, Margaret Langford, Sean McVeigh, Sarah Nicholls & Hilary Sendall.

MRS ALISON DOUBLEDAY used to be a parish member here. She now resides at: Room 22, Henleigh Hall Care Home, 20 Abbey Lane Dell, Sheffield S8 0BZ. She would greatly appreciate hearing from anyone who remembers her. So please send her a note or a card and cheer her up.

QUIZ NIGHT - Friday, September 14th: Please remember to buy your tickets for our Quiz night - Parish support is vital to make a big success of this fun night and to raise as much money as possible for our Africa Charities. All friends and family welcome, please spread the word! Donations for raffle prizes would be most welcome, thank you. Tickets for sale at the end of Mass

St Anne, Brockenhurst

Anniversaries this week: James McCabe (27th), Eirlyo Aiano (28th), Sarah Walker (31st)

Sick and housebound Please keep Anna Hubbard and Deacon Hilary in your prayers.

Fr Quarmby's Masses: for the week commencing 27th August: - 10 a.m. Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri. and Sat; 8 a.m. Tuesday.

Date for your diary A day of reflection for our Parish called 'Life Beginning at the End' will take place on Saturday, 29th September 2018 in the Parish rooms, starting with Mass at 10 am in the church and concluding at 3 pm. An agenda for the day will be available nearer the time but if you have any questions please speak to Henry.

Messages from Pope Francis & Bishop Philip: The Pope has written to all the faithful of the Church in response to the latest revelations in the abuse crisis. His letter can be downloaded from: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2018-08/pope-francis-letter-people-of-god-sexual-abuse.html>. Our Bishop has also written to the Clergy and Faithful of the Diocese on this issue. The letter can be found on the Diocesan website. Copies of both letters are available at the back of the church.

The Rosary continues to be said at 9.30 am on Wednesday morning before Mass and all are most welcome.

A message from Deacon Hilary 'I want to thank all of you who offered prayers for me following my recent fall. I am sure they were responsible for my recovery and for the fact that the consequences could have been a good deal worse. May God bless you all'.

Illumination: A Festival of Flowers at Winchester Cathedral inspired by the 12th Century Winchester Bible. 5th-9th September 2018.

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

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SOUTHAMPTON CELEBRATE EVENT – SEPTEMBER 29th/30th: The Southampton Celebrate Website is now up & running at: www.celebrateconference.org/southampton Full details are on the website where it is also possible to download a booking form and a poster advertising the event. We have been fully booked for the past few years, so early booking is advisable.

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

A NOTE FOR YOUR DIARIES: – St Francis in Milford is having a fun **QUIZ** on Friday, September 14th, at 7.00pm, tickets are £6.00 and available on a first come, first served basis. We'd love to see Parishioners and their families from both Lymington and Brockenhurst joining us. If you would like to reserve tickets for the night, please call Kathryn Fox on 01425 619313. Thank you.

Day for Altar Servers Saturday, 13th October, in Christ the King Church, Reading.

Young People (16yrs – 35 yrs): **Youth Gathering** – Sunday, 25th November, 5pm – 9pm, at Portsmouth Cathedral

Science or Religion – a Symposium, guest speaker Dr Brian Cox, lots of interesting workshops. 3rd Nov at Winchester

Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington

Anniversaries this week: Anthony John Ennis (25th), Michael Duffy (26th), Dr John Stephen Bearcroft (27th), Emily Byrne (28th), Thomas Melluish, Eileen Box (31st)

Sick and Housebound: Brian Coyne, Simone Cluett, Concetta Losanno, Terry Iles, Mai Wilson, Den Walker, Brian Choules, Len Harley, Marie Smith, Celine McCay, Mary Norton, Patricia Mate, Henry Haverty

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Monique James RIP: her Memorial Service will be on Wed. 29th Aug at 3pm in OLSJ. Also pray for the Binoy family who are holidaying in India. Suja's father, PP Abraham (in India) has died. Also, some of you will remember Dr Peter Horsfall who lived in Kenya. Nick Chater informs us that Peter has died after a long illness. May God comfort the families and may Monique, Abraham & Peter rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.

CWL: The next meeting of the CWL is Tuesday, 11th September at 2.15 in Joseph's Place.

HOMELESSNESS IN THE NEW FOREST: there will be a talk given by a representative of "Nightstop" the New Forest homeless charity at 3pm on Tuesday 11th September in the Paul Duffy room, Joseph's Place. All parish members are welcome.

THE SEARCH IS ON! Has anyone borrowed several mugs, small plates and teaspoons from the kitchen in Joseph's place for a family gathering, or may be a coffee morning for Charity, and forgotten to return them? The volunteers who run the Saturday coffee/lunches in Joseph's place are struggling to keep up as there are so few mugs etc now, so we'd really appreciate it if they could all be returned as soon as possible. Someone must know where they are!

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HOSPITAL PATIENTS: If you or a relative are going into Southampton Hospital or Oakhaven Hospice and would like to receive a pastoral visit or Holy Communion please contact Joe Hayward on 01590-611391. For many years Joe has been on the Chaplaincy Teams at Southampton General Hospital & Oakhaven Hospice as a visitor and Minister of Holy Communion. The hospital consider that they can no longer pass on information about a person's religion to the Chaplaincy Teams. So **you must insist** that the Chaplaincy be informed of your desire for pastoral support either from a priest chaplain or lay minister. For Lymington Hospital ring the parish office & leave a message if necessary.

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA -TEAMS MEETING: A meeting to set the new rota for the AOS teams will take place at 7pm on Thursday, 30th August in the Paul Duffy Room, Joseph's Place, Lymington.

FROM CAFOD: You are invited to come to our Harvest fast day briefing meeting on Saturday 8th September at St Bede's Popley Way Basingstoke RG24 9DX from 10:30am to 1pm to hear about CAFOD's work in Peru from Weronika Ozieranska CAFOD's Regional Officer for Latin America Please book your place by emailing portsmouth@cafod.org.uk or call Jo Lewry on 01252 329385

CREAMS TEAS: at St Dominics, Bank Holiday Monday, 27th August from 2pm – 4pm. Meet the Sisters. Enjoy live music from Forest Folk; entrance £7, (children under 5yrs free). All proceeds go towards their building project.

NEW FOREST CATENIAN CIRCLE MEETING: Our next Circle meeting will be at **19.00hrs on Tuesday, 28th August** at the Crown Manor Hotel, Lyndhurst followed by dinner at 20.00hrs.

A MAP OF THE SOUL: JUNG AND PRAYER: Saturday 15th September at the Wisdom Centre, Romsey. The day is led by Mary Dunn; Mary is a retired Clinical Psychologist and Cognitive Analytic Therapist and is now a Spiritual Director, living in the New Forest. Mary leads various workshops on Prayer. She has a particular interest in Carl Jung.

EVENTS AT WISDOM CENTRE:

Our **Quiet days** for the rest of the year are as follows:

Saturday 15th September

A Map of the Soul: Jung and Prayer.

Saturday 13th October

Prayer: Heart Speaks to Heart.

Saturday 17th November

Advent: Make your Own Advent Wreath.

Saturday 24th November

Celtic Advent - A Winter Quiet Day

All days run from 10am - 4pm with tea and coffee from 9.30am.

Suggested offering £29 which includes all refreshments and lunch. See website for more details: www.wisdomhouseromsey.co.uk