

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: 1st September - 9th September

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	CHURCH	LITURGY	INTENTION	P
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)	Desmond Lynch RIP	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
MON	3 rd	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	St Gregory the Great, Mem, (W)	as per celebrant	PWR
TUE	4 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	St Cuthbert, Mem, (W)	Joseph & Flora Weld RIP F/M	DMA
WED	5 th	9.30am	W & C	Our Lady	22 nd Week in Ordinary Time (G)	N/A	
WED	5 th	10.00am	Mass	St Francis	22 nd Week in Ordinary Time (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
WED	5 th	10.00am	Mass	St Anne	22 nd Week in Ordinary Time (G)	The Baker Family F/M	DMA
THU	6 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	22 nd Week in Ordinary Time (G)	Harry Newenham RIP F/M	DMA
FRI	7 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	22 nd Week in Ordinary Time (G)	People of the Parishes	DMA
FRI	7 th	4.00pm	Rehearsal	St Anne	Wedding Rehearsal	N/A	
SAT	8 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (W)	For Those who are unwell	DMA
SAT	8 th	12 noon	Wedding	St Anne	Sarah Anne Wilson & Michael Johnstone Downie	N/A	DMA
SAT	8 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	23 rd Sunday of the Year B (G)	SVP Members & Those in Need	DMA
SUN	9 th	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	23 rd Sunday of the Year B (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	9 th	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	23 rd Sunday of the Year B (G)	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	9 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	23 rd Sunday of the Year B (G)	People of the Parishes	DMA

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

POPE FRANCIS UNDER ATTACK

Jesus was attacked for advocating mercy, justice and good faith. He aroused opposition because he exposed the shallowness of the self-serving traditions of the religious elite. Today Pope Francis is also under attack by those who resent his exposure of self-serving clericalism, oppressive economic structures and fear-based tribalism in both politics and religion. Far right bishops and wealthy laypersons in the USA have been using the Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN) to propagate their narrow, tribal and soul-less version of Catholicism, all wrapped in a saccharine, stars and stripes mantel of mind numbing piety.

As one commentator puts it: (the devotees and sponsors of EWTN) "live in what we can call the "EWTN bubble," in which a kind of conservative American ethical and political attitude is presented as orthodox Catholicism. Just as people who only watch Fox News live in a news silo, an alternate reality, in which, for example, Hillary Clinton was the candidate in cahoots with the Russians, people who watch EWTN are consistently presented with a version of Catholicism that is distorted. Over time, someone who watches EWTN and Fox will have their sense of the credible shift: What most of us would question as extreme, and therefore demanding some skepticism, becomes routine and regular. The guest commentators seek to outdo each other in getting everyone worked up. A tweet becomes proof. People who voice skepticism are dismissed as RINOs ("Republicans In Name Only") or "Catholic lite." Pretty soon, Donald Trump is the smartest president ever. Pope Francis dabbles in heresy".

Last week the American Archbishop Viganò issued a press release that was patently scurrilous and calculated to inflict maximum damage on Pope Francis and his mission of mercy right at the time when was trying to bring healing to the Irish church. "The former nuncio had just published a self-serving, score-settling, gay-bashing dossier that contained within its 11 pages repeated violations of the pontifical secret on a scale previously unheard of. Viganò had also cast aspersions against fellow bishops, but that did not deter his fan club. And this man, who had for years been given a place of honor at ecclesiastical events as "the personal representative of His Holiness," called on His Holiness to resign because, Viganò alleged, he had lifted sanctions against former Cardinal Theodore McCarrick that Pope Benedict XVI had allegedly enacted but demonstrably never applied. Bishops Joseph Strickland, Robert Morlino and Thomas Olmsted, and Archbishops Charles Chaput and Salvatore Cordileone all managed to mouth praise for the nuncio and his integrity and honesty, **without a word of consideration for Pope Francis** (*emphasis mine*)."

"Regrettably, the bishops who came out in support of Viganò are all only too comfortable with the EWTN agenda. It has been their agenda. They want the culture wars. They like the gay bashing — which is really just weird when you think of some of the bishops in question. They express shock at the negative news coverage the president receives. Fr. Antonio Spadaro nailed it, he nailed them, when he wrote about the Catholic integralists who, teaming up with evangelical fundamentalists in the political realm, subordinated Catholic social teaching to conservative political objectives."

If you managed to read this far you may be thinking what has this got to do with us in Lymington etc. Firstly, we need to be aware of this struggle for the soul of the Church. We need to decide what sort of Church we believe in. We also need to be aware that some closer to home are under the influence of this toxic propaganda. Quoted extracts from **Has the 'EWTN schism' begun?** (EWTN = Eternal Word Television Network) by Michael Sean Winters (National Catholic Reporter – USA) The full article can be found at www.nconline.org. (DMA)

St Francis, Milford-on-Sea

Anniversaries this week: Ena Batty (5th), Leon Pach (6th), George Karpowicz (8th)

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: William Reed (5th), Elizabeth Farley (6th), Frederick Hector (7th)

Sick and Housebound Please keep Anna Hubbard in your prayers. Please also pray for Eidelweiss and Michael's son Stephen who is recovering from an accident.

Fr Quarmby's Masses: 10am - Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday; 8am - Tuesday; 6pm Friday: - a Vigil Mass for the Feast Our Lady's Birthday. N.B. No Mass on Saturday this week.

Music in September There will be no Choir during September, but we will have three or four well known hymns at Sunday Mass for us to sing together. The next choir practise is on 24 September at 3 pm in the parish room. If anyone is interested in singing, why not give it a try and join us on the 24th?

Letters from Pope Francis and Bishop Philip & a response to the scurrilous Viganò accusations. Copies of these can now be found at the back of the Church. Apologies for these not being available last Sunday.

Day of Reflection on Saturday 29th September (10am -3pm) "Life Beginning at the End". A talk by Dr Fiona Randall on the legal and ethical context of end of life care followed by reflection and discussion chaired by Fr David Adams. Agendas will be available from Sunday 16th.

Basics Bank. Due to one of our St Anne's team being no longer able to help with deliveries, we need one or two volunteer drivers to deliver food and other basic items to individuals or families in our local area (one or two days every 10 - 12 weeks). If you are able to help or would like to know more about what is involved please speak to Annabelle Mellor (phone number in the parish rooms).

PPC is next meeting is on September 13th. If anyone has anything they would like to raise please speak to Henry.

100 Club Paul Shearer (No 26) won £30 in the August draw. Congratulations Paul!

Lost property. Paul Morris has lost a blue/green fleece which he believes he left in the church. If anyone is aware of where it might be, Paul would be very grateful if it could be returned to him or left with one of our Welcomers at the back of the church. Thank you.

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

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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.

Science or Religion - a Symposium, guest speaker Dr Brian Cox, lots of interesting workshops. 3rd Nov at Winchester. Tickets available in September.

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

Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington

Anniversaries this week: Winifred 'Wyn' Ethel Calvert (1st), Dr James Dean McCafferty (2nd), Cecil Frogley, Howard Neal (3rd), Mary Wright, Mary Elizabeth Wilson (7th)

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

FRIENDSHIP CLUB: meets on **Monday 3rd September in Joseph's Place at 2pm.** Our amazing wing walker, Norah, is going to tell us how she did it, complete with photographs! We have a fun quiz on 'airy' matters and a raffle, all followed by afternoon tea featuring home made sausage rolls and cakes. Everyone welcome to join us for a great afternoon.

CALLING WING WALKER SPONSORS! Norah would be pleased to receive promised sponsorship funds by this weekend. Please see her after Mass on Sunday or you can drop funds into the presbytery. Norah wishes to extend a heartfelt thanks to everyone who supported her. She is especially thrilled that the amount to be donated to Oakhaven will exceed £2k. We will be sure to publish the total amount next week.

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.

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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.

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

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA invites you to a Mass in honour of our patron Stella Maris, Our Lady Star of the Sea. Come pray for the work of Apostleship of the Sea and for seafarers on Tuesday 18th September 2018 at 12.15pm in St John's Catholic Cathedral, Bishop Crispian Way, Portsmouth, PO1 3HG. Bishop Philip Egan will celebrate Mass, followed by a reception. All invited. Please RSVP by email to salvina@apostleshipofthesea.org.uk. For more information go to www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk

DIOCESAN ALTAR SERVER'S DAY: Join us for our Annual Day for Altar Servers! We have some incredible speakers and workshop leaders lined up, all ready to share their joys and experiences of serving God in a unique and special way. Timetable: 10:00 Arrivals; 10:30 Testimonies; 10:50 Vest for Mass; 11:00 Holy Mass; 12:00 Keynote Speaker; 13:00 Lunch; 14:00 Workshops; 15:00 Games and Social Time; 16:00 Holy Half Hour. Please bring a packed lunch and servers robes. DATE AND TIME: Sat 13 October 2018, 10:00 - 16:30, LOCATION: Christ The King Church, 408 Northumberland Avenue, Reading, RG2 8NR. Cost £5.50

Charity begins at home



"Always preach the Gospel and sometimes in words." (St. Francis of Assisi). Let your actions do your talking. Help make a difference with your SVP.