

# 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:

Saturdays at Our Lady & St Joseph  
10-10.30am

## *Masses & Services for the Week: 17<sup>th</sup> November - 25<sup>th</sup> November*

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	CHURCH	LITURGY	INTENTION	P
SAT	17 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Year B ( G )	Maude & Jozef Fojt RIP Anniv	PWR
SUN	18 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Year B ( G )	Di & Nick Mussert 50th Wedding Anniv	DMA
SUN	18 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Year B ( G )	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	18 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Year B ( G )	Mary Adair RIP F/M	DMA
MON	19 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	33 <sup>rd</sup> Week in Ordinary Time ( G )	as per celebrant	PWR
TUE	20 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	33 <sup>rd</sup> Week in Ordinary Time ( G )	Harry Newenham RIP Anniv F/M	DMA
WED	21 <sup>st</sup>	9.30am	W & C	Our Lady	Presentation of Bl. Virgin Mary, Mem, ( W )	N/A	
WED	21 <sup>st</sup>	10.00am	Mass	St Anne	Presentation of Bl. Virgin Mary, Mem, ( W )	as per celebrant	PWR
WED	21 <sup>st</sup>	10.00am	Mass	St Francis	Presentation of Bl. Virgin Mary, Mem, ( W )	Brian Boyle RIP Anniv	DMA
THU	22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	St Cecilia, Mem, ( R )	John & Ruth Adams RIP Anniv	DMA
FRI	23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	St Clement I, Opt. Mem ( R )	Charles McCartan RIP F/M	DMA
SAT	24 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	St Andrew Dung-Lac & alia, Mem, ( R )	For those who are unwell	DMA
SAT	24 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	Christ the King, Solemnity, ( W )	Weld Family Living and Dead F/M	DMA
SUN	25 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	Christ the King, Solemnity, ( W )	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	25 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	Christ the King, Solemnity, ( W )	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	25 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	Christ the King, Solemnity, ( W )	For All Benefactors of the Parish F/M	DMA

## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: 24th/25th December - Christmas Offering; 1st January - SPUC White Flower Appeal

### THOUGH THE MOUNTAINS MAY FALL

I'm sure we were all shocked and horrified to hear news of shootings, fires, this weekend of the terrorist massacres in Paris. Such news does and should shock us. We keep all the victims in our prayers.

It's a strange fact that newspapers and news programmes rely more on bad news than they do on good news. Such is the way our brains have evolved that it is bad news that triggers the most urgent response. It has to do with fear, anxiety and danger. Our primitive reptilian brain managed to process and respond to three basic needs: supper, sex and survival. These three reactions involve increasing heart rate, adrenalin and concentration. Good news on the other hand causes the bodily systems to relax. Drive, motivation and energy are difficult to summon up when everything is OK.

If you want to get people's attention stir up fear, anxiety and anger. Some people find it difficult to cope with harmony and silence, they quickly get bored and restless. They have probably grown up with a lot of anxiety, tension or argument. They feel strange if there is not something to argue about, get annoyed about or fight about.

Anger energy is not bad, it depends how we channel it. Some people have gone on to do great work and really helped others because they felt sufficiently angry about a perceived injustice. Fear can make us focus and prepare for danger. Too much fear, however, leads to paralysis of mind and action, then useless panic.

So, what is Jesus doing with these rather frightening words of today's Gospel? Perhaps Jesus is using our natural fear to help us focus on our spiritual needs. Perhaps Jesus is also using this dramatic language to break our dependency on things that are not really dependable.

We tend to put a lot of our faith in the "system", i.e. in the economy, the country, technology, social myths and presumptions. Recently, people and governments have had a stark warning about the effect of carbon emissions on global climate change and rising temperatures. We love cheap energy, cheap air travel and the freedom the car can give. We put our faith and hope in life-style dreams but the capacity of our economy to deliver on these dreams for all but the wealthy is now seriously questioned. We put a lot of faith in these things but not much faith in God. The troubles of other countries that seemed so far away - war, terrorism, peoples on the move are now knocking on our doors too.

Writings about the end times help to shatter our illusions and break our false dependencies. They urge us to put our faith in God and in all the blessings of God, which endure forever. The apocalyptic writings of the Bible were intended to strengthen those who were suffering persecution for their faith and to give them hope in God's future, which is beyond the vicissitudes of this world.

For us who are not experiencing persecution (yet) these words can stir us out of our complacency. Irrespective of what happens in the future for the planet or the universe, all of us have to come to our own end times. This may involve a spiritual re-birth a long or a short time before our actual physical death. The most important questions are: How are Jesus' words being fulfilled in our own lives, at this moment? And how are we responding to them? (DMA)

## St Francis, Milford-on-Sea

**Anniversaries this week:** Brian Boyle (17<sup>th</sup>), Anne Scarnell (18<sup>th</sup>), Theresa Myrtle Watson (19<sup>th</sup>)

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

**Di & Nick Mussert's** 50th Wedding anniversary blessing will be during Mass this Sunday, 18th Nov. We wish Di & Nick & their family every happiness and blessing.

**Finance Committee Report:** at the end of Mass this Sunday, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>

**Our Thanks to:** Jane for lovely Remembrance displays last Sunday.

**To:** Dr Fiona Randall for giving the excellent presentation on the legal and ethical context of end of life care.

**To:** Peter, Kathryn, Andrew, Roger, Liz, John and Colin for all their hard work and dedication on the Finance Committee

**Parish Pastoral Council, AGM** report to the parish on Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> Nov at the end of Mass.

## St Anne, Brockenhurst

**Anniversaries this week:** Teresa Hobbs (19th), Gilbert Morse (22nd), Teresa Morse (23rd), Yvonne Sutton (24th)

**Sick and Housebound** Please hold Deacon Hilary and Anna Hubbard in your prayers.

**Fr Quarby's Masses:** For the week commencing 18<sup>th</sup> November: Weekday Mass times: 10am every day except Tuesday: NO MASS ON TUESDAY.

**Rev Dick Drown RIP:** We have learnt that Dick died peacefully in his sleep on 9th November in Kenya where he had been living happily with his daughter for the last couple of years. He was aged 99 and only a few weeks off reaching 100. Dick was Assistant Vicar at St Saviour's church for many years and was a well-known and well-loved member of this village. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

**Red Mission Boxes:** Would holders of Red Mission Boxes please bring them to mass and give them to Bill Pignatelli who will be happy to empty them and return them to be filled again! **Missio** have written to thank everyone in this Parish who has contributed. Last year St Anne's collected £340 in the Red Boxes in addition to other collections for **Missio**.

**Music on Sundays:** Good news for everyone! Our Singing Group - better name than the choir - will now work more closely with our young Folk Group for Sunday music, who will take over the choice of Folk music approximately once each month. Some, but not all of the Folk Masses will also be youth masses. The first such mass will take place on Sunday, 25th November, the Feast of Christ the King. After that, the next Folk Mass will be for the 6pm mass on the second Sunday of February. Our thanks to Madeleine and Aude for helping so positively with the Sunday music. We look forward to this more youthful input! (Paddy Lark)

**Table Top Sale:** Our annual pre-Christmas table top and craft sale will take place in the Parish Rooms for a week from Sunday 25th November to Sunday 2nd December. Please come and support us.

**The Poppy Display:** A huge thank you to Janet Ward from all at St Anne's for the beautiful and evocative altar display of Remembrance poppies on this centenary commemoration of the end of WW1.

**Church Foundation Stone:** Last Sunday was the 81st Anniversary of the laying of our church foundation stone on 11 November 1937. This is located in the wall behind the Paschal Candle.

**Any items for the newsletter to [anna@boylemellor.co.uk](mailto:anna@boylemellor.co.uk) to arrive by Thursday morning**

## All Parishes

**LYMINGTON CHORAL SOCIETY:** welcomes you to a **CHRISTMAS CONCERT, 7pm, 1st December 2018** at St Thomas' Church, Lymington. Tickets: £12.50 (restricted view) £15 includes a glass of wine or soft drink; accompanied children free. Available on the door, from Maxwell Hamilton, Milford Community Centre, New Milton Stationers or phone 01590 679161. [www.lymingtonchoral.org.uk](http://www.lymingtonchoral.org.uk)

## Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington

**Anniversaries this week:** Beatrice Hodgerinson-Price, Nicholas 'Nick' John Filose (17th), Lancelot Fishbourne (18th), James Osborn (19th), George Scales (20th), Anthony Gerachty, Veronica Lane-Ryan, Edith Mary Turnbull (21st), Johanna Maclean, Agnes Matthews (22nd).

**Sick and Housebound:** Ramona Heath-Saunders, Simone Cluett, Concetta Losanno, Terry Iles, Mai Wilson, Den Walker, Brian Choules, Len Harley, Marie Smith, Celine McCay, Mary Norton, Patricia Mate.

**BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE:** Please enter the names of your deceased loved ones in our Book of Remembrance. The book will be placed on the Altar during each Mass in November.

**ADVENT COURSE:** We will be starting our Advent Course on Thursday 29th November at 7,30pm. 'Someone to Believe in' is a course based on the Christmas movie 'Miracle on 34th Street'. The aim will be to help us think more deeply during the Advent season about the coming of Jesus and what the Christmas story can teach us about our faith today.

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

**Dates for the Diary: Youth Mass:** on Sunday, 25th Nov the 10.30am Mass will be a celebration of our young people.

**Parish AGM** will be held on Sunday, 20th January 2019 in church, immediately after the 10.30am Mass. It will include reports from the PPC & Finance Committees.

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**ST DOMINIC'S CHRISTMAS MARKET:** Sat 1st Dec 12pm - 2pm - stalls, games, food, tea & cake; St Dominic's Priory, Shirley Holms Rd, Lymington, SO41 8NH; 01590-681874

**CATHOLIC DIARIES 2019:** Free diaries available from the back of the church. Please do take one.

**FUNDRAISING:** The school is trying to raise funds to create an outdoor Prayer area for the children. Would anyone like to donate to this project? If so, please see Fr David. **OR** if anyone has an *outdoor statue* of St Francis, St Joseph, Mary or the Holy Family which they would like to give to the school please let Fr David or Linda know.

**NEW FOREST CATENIAN MEETING:** Our next Circle meeting will be held at **19.00 on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November** at the Crown Manor Hotel, Lyndhurst as usual followed by **dinner at 20.00**. As on several occasions during the year our Ladies will be joining us for dinner. Should you wish to enquire further about our Circle please contact: Nick Coghlan 01425 673906

**CATHOLIC DISABILITY FELLOWSHIP:** The AGM of the Portsmouth Diocesan Group of the Catholic Disability Fellowship will be held on Wednesday, 21st November at St Edward's Church, Chandlers Ford at 2p.m. Following the meeting, there will be an illustrated talk by Brockenhurst parishioner, Madeleine Durie about the work of the Minstead Trust for which Madeleine is the CEO. All will be most welcomed & light refreshments will be served afterwards. If you have any queries, please phone the Group's secretary, Tom Rayner, on 01590 673003.

**CAFOD WORLD GIFTS – the true spirit of Christmas Giving:** Give a gift that will change a life. There are gifts for every budget from Happy Queen Bee at £4 to Help a Refugee child at £46. Each CAFOD World gift has been chosen for the real and lasting difference it makes to families living in developing countries. Catalogues are available at church or you can buy online at [cafod.org.uk/worldgifts](http://cafod.org.uk/worldgifts)