

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

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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; Ian Holden, Brockenhurst; Anthony Kirke, Milford on Sea

Parish Safeguarding Representative: Vanessa Dugdale (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:

Saturday Morning
from after Mass until
10.30am

EASTER OFFERING: The collection on the Easter Weekend is for your Parish Priest and forms part of his annual income. Whatever you can give will be greatly appreciated. Fr David wishes everyone, parishioners and visitors a very happy Eastertide.

Masses & Services for the Week: 20th April - 28th April 2019

| DAY | DATE | TIME | SERVICE | CHURCH | LITURGY | INTENTION | P |
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| SAT | 20 th | 8.00pm | Easter Vigil Mass | Our Lady | 1 st Mass of Easter (W) | People of the Parishes | DMA |
| SUN | 21 st | 9.00am | Mass | St Francis | Easter Sunday (W) | People of the Parishes | DMA |
| SUN | 21 st | 10.30am | Mass | Our Lady | Easter Sunday (W) | People of the Parishes | DMA |
| SUN | 21 st | 12 noon | Mass | St Anne | Easter Sunday (W) | People of the Parishes | DMA |
| MON | 22 nd | 9.30a m | W & C | Our Lady | within the Octave of Easter | N/A | |
| TUE | 23 rd | 9.30a m | Mass | Our Lady | within the Octave of Easter | Kathleen Josephine England RIP Anniv | DMA |
| WED | 24 th | 9.30a m | W & C | Our Lady | within the Octave of Easter | N/A | |
| WED | 24 th | 10.00a m | Mass | St Anne | within the Octave of Easter | as per celebrant | DQ |
| WED | 24 th | 10.00a m | Mass | St Francis | within the Octave of Easter | For the intentions of Pope Francis | DMA |
| THU | 25 th | 9.30a m | Mass | Our Lady | within the Octave of Easter | Charles Joseph Weld RIP F/M | DMA |
| FRI | 26 th | 9.30a m | Mass | Our Lady | within the Octave of Easter | Una Mary Weld RIP F/M | DMA |
| SAT | 27 th | 9.30a m | Mass | Our Lady | within the Octave of Easter | For those who are unwell | DMA |
| SAT | 27 th | 6.00pm | Mass | Our Lady | 2 nd Sunday of Easter | People of the Parishes | DMA |
| SUN | 28 th | 9.00am | Mass | St Francis | 2 nd Sunday of Easter | as per celebrant | PWR |
| SUN | 28 th | 10.30am | Mass | Our Lady | 2 nd Sunday of Easter | Hilary Murphy (Health) | DMA |
| SUN | 28 th | 12.30pm | Baptism | Our Lady | baby Arlo Maxwell Jenkins | N/A | DMA |
| SUN | 28 th | 6.00pm | Mass | St Anne | 2 nd Sunday of Easter | Angela Campbell RIP (3) | DMA |

WANDERINGS IN THE JOURNEY OF LIFE

*"for we must hold that the Holy Spirit offers to all the possibility of being made partners, in a way known to God, in the Paschal Mystery"
(Vat II, Gaudium et Spes n.22)*

Journeys exploring, journeys searching, journeys lost, journeys together, journeys alone, journeys stalled, journeys backward, journeys of fear, journeys of love, journeys to forget, journeys to remember, journeys of hope, journeys of despair. Moving too slow, moving too fast, not moving at all, looking ahead, looking behind, just looking.

Growing, learning, falling over, frustrations, exhilarations, achievements, mistakes, victories, defeats, knowing more, understanding less, questions and more questions, mysteries and perplexities, messing up, getting a grip, messing up again.

Shadow wanderings, blind alleys, reeled in, wrapped around, heavy chains, slippery slopes, poisoned air, quicksand sirens, burdens of bitterness, sour tastes, rock hardness, meanness echoed, anger smouldering, inward shrivelling.

Chasing dreams, building towers, craving life, fearing death, yearning for acceptance, afraid of rejection, finding love, sharing joys, working together, walking as one, hearts full, drifting apart, hearts broken, painful "sorries", forgiveness exchanged, peace re-planted, joy budding, awe awakening, strength growing, self dissolving, flame flashing, new earth forming, new heaven dawning.

Passage of time, rites of passage, passing by, passing over, passing through, passing on, Passover, passing from this world to the Father, Pass-chal Mystery, coming from God and returning to God.

Paschal Mystery/Life Journey - a bright cloud, illuminating, hiding, always alluring, never fathomed, unfolding to eternity. From the Word new worlds, anointed, CHRISTened with beauty glorious, new life, new forms held joyfully in love that is One.

Divine fountains, sprinkling like stardust, Eden's refugees, in swirling winds of time, drawn by unseen gossamer threads of eternal beauty, following, entranced, hidden fragrances of love's intimate sweetness through thickets and shades of yearning hollows. All are CHRISTened in life's river, washed by compassion for the least Unseen, broken by sorrow's sword, fractured by self's unyielding. Bearing the Christ mystery in light, in darkness, all are borne by Christ to the dwelling places of the Father.

Cruel darknesses crave release as Christ thaws frozen captive, soothes charred tongue, with divine tears moistens granite earth, seeds new life. Love conquers all, draws all uplifted to itself. Night must yield to day, mask shadow-self coils melt in the sun, pure crystal spark unveiled, aglow with Another's glorious light.
(DMA)

St Francis, Milford-on-Sea

Anniversaries this week: Fr Leonard Shaw SJ, Phyllis Mary Meldon, John Adair Langford (21st), Heinz Johann Mair (26th)

Sick & Housebound: Joan Lloyd, Marjorie Horton, Gill Boddington, Sarah Bell, Alison Doubleday & Sean McVeigh.

HUGE THANKS: from Fr David & all the parishioners to all from our three parishes who have helped us celebrate this Holy Week & Eastertide. Our pray-ers, organists, choirs, altar servers, Ministers of Holy Communion, Readers, flower arrangers, organisers, admin workers, fire wardens, car park marshalls. Thank you for all your hard work for the Lord and for your sisters and brothers

Message from Fr Peter Ryan: Last Sunday at Mass I mentioned that I had a good address to stay at in Assisi. For those who may be interested, here it is: Suore Svedesi di Santa Brigida de Svezia, Via Moiana 1, Assisi PG 06081, Tel: 0039:075:812:693, E-Mail: brigidineassisi@outlook.com.

St Anne, Brockenhurst

Anniversaries this week: Basil Thatcher (22nd), Ellie May Honniball, Gary Plumbly (24th), William Walsh (25th), Charles Nunes (26th), Patricia Maher (27th)

Sick and Housebound: Please keep in your prayers Deacon Hilary, Anna Hubbard, Sean Dunn and Rosemary Sheldon.

Fr David Quarmby's Masses for the week beginning April 21st: Monday 10 a.m., Tuesday 8 a.m., Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 10 a.m. (Away Sat so no Mass that morning).

Fr Charlie in Malawi Following the recent huge cyclone and flooding in Malawi, there has been much destruction, and loss of vital food crops. If anyone feels they could contribute some financial help for Fr Charlie's parish, to help with repairs and replanting, please contact Sarah who will be organising payment via the Montford Missionaries. (Tel. 023-8084-9258)

Christian Aid - Dawn Chorus Walk A guided walk in the New Forest with a local ornithologist on 11th May at 6.30 am. Details on the porch notice board.

A new Coffee Rota: is prepared and copies are at the back of the church awaiting collection. Would someone be kind enough to take over the future care and preparation of this rota please and let Paddy Lark know that you are doing so. She would be very grateful.

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

All Parishes

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FOUNDATION GOVERNORS NEEDED: Our local Catholic Primary School, Our Lady & St Joseph's, are looking for two new Foundation Governors. This is a very important service to our school on behalf of our local Catholic community. Full training will be given and interested applicants can contact Pam Morrissey Chair of Governors for more information. pam.morrissey@hotmail.co.uk

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: Park Place Pastoral Centre, Wickham, near Fareham is hosting a Marriage Encounter weekend from 24-26 May. The weekend is an opportunity for married couples of any age to deepen and enrich their relationship. This is not marriage counselling or crisis solving but a residential weekend away from the distractions of daily life which many thousands of couples in this country have found to be the best thing they did since getting married. Interested? Please go to <https://wwme.org.uk/marriage-enrichment/#about> or phone 02380 275401.

Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington

Anniversaries this week: Bridie Jarratt, Kathleen Josephine England (21st), Gerald Carroll, Daniel Broomfield, John McGuirk, Marjorie Fay Filbee (22nd), Susan Mary Holmes-Siedle (24th), William Conroy, Paul John Stephenson, Peter James Foot (25th), Ellie Agnes Webb (26th)

Sick and Housebound: Deacon Anthony Cairns, Johnny Flood, Simone Cluett, Neil Jenkins, June Siddall, Mike Hedges, Ramona Heath-Saunders, Concetta Losanno, Mai Wilson, Den Walker, Brian Choules, Len Harley, Marie Smith, Celine McCay, Patricia Mate.

KNIT & STITCH will meet next Friday 26th April 2019 in Joseph's Place from 2.30pm to 4pm. All welcome.

*** PARISH SUMMER LUNCH ***

FRIDAY 17 MAY 2019 **NOT** THURSDAY 16 MAY 2019

SEE BELOW FOR MORE DETAILS

12 noon for 12.30pm at Brockenhurst College. £19.00 per person for three courses, tea/coffee & petit fours, and gratuities. Bar available at your own cost. Menus available at the back of the church. Please make your choices on the reverse and return to the Parish Office with your cheque made payable to PRCDTR Lymington Our Lady. Family and friends are welcome to attend. 40 places available so first come first served. The bus parking at the rear entrance is available to us but please enter via the main entrance and bear to the right. Parishioners from St Francis & St Anne's are most welcome.

Gift Aid Reminder – If you are currently a UK tax payer and donate to the Parish, then please consider joining our Gift Aid Scheme. This will enable the Parish to claim an additional 25p for every £1 you donate, from HM Revenue and Customs. Joining is a straightforward process; all you need to do is complete and sign a simple Gift Aid form. The only information required is your name and address. Bank Standing Order forms are also available. Please call our Gift Aid Organiser on 01590 678525 if you want to put Gift Aid in place or would like more information or assistance.

HEALTH & SAFETY FOR THE EASTER SERVICES AT OLM SJ:

OLMSJ CHURCH: Easter Sunday:

If the Welcomers tell you the church is full they will direct you to Joseph's place where the services will be televised. You will still be able to take part fully in the Mass and Holy Communion will be distributed.

Our Diocesan Fire Officer has insisted the area at the back of the church be left free as it leads to a fire exit, so please take a seat if one is offered rather than stand here.

When the church is very full we do not have space at the back for prams and pushchairs, but they can be left in Joseph's place.

If you are in a wheelchair the Welcomers will direct you to a suitable space.

OLMSJ CAR PARK: Easter Sunday:

It would help enormously if you could park in the public car park for any of the services over Easter and walk in through the gate at the top of the church car park.

We can only accommodate the number of cars for which we have parking spaces and we need some of them for those parishioners who have mobility problems.

PLEASE NOTE: Car park wardens will be on duty, but should you arrive and there is a 'Car park full' sign at the church gate - irrespective of whether the gate is half or fully open- please park in another car park as the church car park is full.

You must not park in the central area between cars or outside the church buildings.

EVACUATION: Should the buildings need to be evacuated the Fire Wardens will wear fluorescent jackets and will guide you out of the buildings to the Muster point.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Parish Retreat Day: for Lymington Ministers of Holy Communion; Readers & SVP members, Saturday, 18th May.

Anniversary of the Consecration of Our Lady of Mercy & St Joseph church, Sunday, May 19th, special Mass at 10.30am.

SPECIAL MASS FOR THE SICK with the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of the Sick at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, New Milton on Sunday, 19th May at 3pm.

FANNING THE FLAME SUMMER CAMP: An Amazing Adventure – 19th – 23rd August at St Dominic's Priory, Sway. Our camp is now in its 24th year and is suitable for young people aged 10-25 years. (Daily Mass, Teaching, Crafts, Workshops, Sports, Horse-riding, Talks, Dramas, Great Food, Music, Q&A, Adoration, Team Activities, Confession & Reconciliation) It aims to develop faith fellowship and fun!! Booking forms and further information can be found on our special website for this event. <https://www.fanningtheflame.co.uk/summer-camp>.