

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

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**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

## *Masses & Services for the Week: 11<sup>th</sup> May - 19<sup>th</sup> May 2019*

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	CHURCH	LITURGY	INTENTION	P
SAT	11 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	Harry Newenham RIP F/M	DMA
SUN	12 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	12 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	Jose Iglesias Rana RIP	DMA
SUN	12 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	as per celebrant	PWR
MON	13 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	W & C	Our Lady	of the 4 <sup>th</sup> Week of Easter	N/A	
TUE	14 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	St Matthias, Apostle, Feast, ( R )	Lily Pearce RIP F/M	DMA
WED	15 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	W & C	Our Lady	of the 4 <sup>th</sup> Week of Easter	N/A	
WED	15 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Mass	St Anne	of the 4 <sup>th</sup> Week of Easter	as per celebrant	PWR
WED	15 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Mass	St Francis	of the 4 <sup>th</sup> Week of Easter	Thanksgiving (MN)	DMA
WED	15 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon	Funeral Service	Our Lady	Joyce Meek RIP	N/A	DMA
WED	15 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Unity Service	St Francis	Christians Together - 2019	N/A	HL/EL
THU	16 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the 4 <sup>th</sup> Week of Easter	as per celebrant	PWR
THU	16 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Burial of Ashes	Highfield	Burial of Ashes - Mr & Mrs Heneghan RIP	N/A	DMA
FRI	17 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the 4 <sup>th</sup> Week of Easter	Josephine Pope RIP F/M	DMA
SAT	18 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the 4 <sup>th</sup> Week of Easter	Bert Cooper RIP F/M	DMA
SAT	18 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	as per celebrant	PWR
SUN	19 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	19 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	160 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Church	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	19 <sup>th</sup>	3.00pm	Mass	New Milton	Mass of Healing with Anointing	For those who are unwell	DMA/GN
SUN	19 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	People of the Parishes	DMA

## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> MAY - CLERGY TRAINING FUND; 1st/2nd JUNE - MISSION APPEAL

### OUR FUNDAMENTAL VOCATION

One might imagine that Paul & Barnabas should have had an easy time going round spreading the good news of Jesus. After all, it was and is Good News. God loves us, God has forgiven all our sins, God offers us a way of holiness now & a future full of promise and hope. Perhaps people responded with a: Well thank you very much. That is really good news. I'll keep that in mind but I must get on with my life now, so, err, thanks and err, good-bye!

The fact is the good news of Jesus is good news but it is good news for life, for relationships, for work, for the planet and for every one on it. The good news radically changed things. It meant that people we had once shunned and perhaps feared or hated are now acceptable. God is accepting them and so we no longer have any excuse for treating them differently. This is why Paul & Barnabas and all the other apostles met with constant opposition. They were challenging the status quo. The Jewish people could expel them from the synagogues. The Romans on the other hand had the power to do serious hurt. When it became clear that Christians would not fight in the army, would not worship the emperor and would not take part in pagan religion, the Roman authorities began to get hostile. But that was all to come later. This week's reading from the Apocalypse refers to these first mass persecutions of the Christian church.

The Christian message speaks just as powerfully to our situations today. It challenges us to treat others as we would like them to treat us, to act justly, love tenderly and walk humbly with our God. It invites our whole-hearted dedication and commitment. This is the fundamental vocation. Other more specific vocations have to start from here. So we have to ask ourselves who are we listening to, who are we following, and whose orders are we obeying and why? Are we listening to the voices of the politicians, or the academics, or the financial wizards, or the TV commentators, or the magazine writers, or the celebrities, or the commanding officers, or the ecclesiastical superiors? Are we subservient to some other person in our life? Do they call the tune? Do we just follow the crowd? There are many voices competing for our attention and our allegiance. Some have a legitimate call upon us to some extent but none can have the ultimate call upon us that belongs only to God. This is why Peter says in the Acts: Obedience to God comes before obedience to people. Cardinal Bl. John Henry Newman wrote that conscience has the ultimate authority. It is only this that can keep us and our religious institutions healthy.

There is, of course, one more master or mistress striving for dominion. It is our own little self. It is the preferred leader in our own culture. Everyone wants to be their own boss. Again the ego, or the small self has its place. We need a well-developed and healthy sense of self. But it is only a temporary construct, to some extent a delusion, a mere shadow of the true self which is in God: *I and the Father are one.* (DMA)

## St Francis, Milford-on-Sea

**Anniversaries this week:** Robert Thomas Gerard Patey (17<sup>th</sup>)

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

**ST FRANCIS UNITY SERVICE:** Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 7:30pm we are hosting one of the Days of Prayer for Christian Unity. Please do come along and support. There will be light refreshments in the Maryland Room afterward. Our service will be led by Helen & Elizabeth. The other services, all at 7:30pm are: Mon 13<sup>th</sup>: at the Methodists; Tues 14<sup>th</sup>: at All Saints; Thurs 16<sup>th</sup>: at the Baptists.

**SYRIAN REFUGEE FAMILY living locally.** We are appealing for further funds to support the family. A retiring collection will be held next Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>.

## St Anne, Brockenhurst

**Anniversaries this week:** Monica Wibberley (13<sup>th</sup>), Patrick Heritage (14<sup>th</sup>), Erna Stanbury, Eric Griffiths (18<sup>th</sup>)

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

**Fr Quarmby's Masses:** for the week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> May: 8 a.m. Tuesday and Saturday, 10 a.m. Mon., Wed., Thurs. & Fri.

**Every Wednesday** there is Eucharistic Adoration at 9 am with the Rosary at 9.30 am. As you know, the month of May is a special time for honouring Our Lady.

**Special Collection** this weekend for the Clergy Training Fund

**Next PPC meeting** will take place on Thursday, 16 May at 7.30 pm. If anyone has anything they would like raised please email Ian on: [ianaude@icloud.com](mailto:ianaude@icloud.com).

**Plastic bottle tops** This is our church's first small step to help reduce the amount of single-use plastics used and discarded in the UK. There are two boxes in the porch, one for plastic milk bottle tops and one for other plastic bottle/jar tops. Please bring all your bottle tops (washed!) and it will also help direct profits toward good causes.

**Date for your diary** A charity lunch is being put on at the home of Henrietta Reynolds on Wednesday, 19 June. Details to follow.

**100 Club:** The April prize of £30 was won by Trish Neate with number 34. Well done Trish!

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

## All Parishes

**CATENIAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:** Heavenly Father, in your plan for our Salvation you provide shepherds for your people. Look with love upon our homes and communities that the Holy Spirit will inspire and raise up from among us worthy Priests, Deacons and Religious to care for your flock, minister at your altars, to be ardent but gentle servants of the Gospel and inspiring witnesses to your Kingdom. Lord, we ask you to receive our prayer which we make through your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**THE TIME IS NOW!!** "The earth, our home is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth" Pope Francis. In his encyclical 'Laudato Si' Care for our Common Home, Pope Francis urges us to hear the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor and to take action. Climate Change is the biggest threat to our planet, and we are calling on everyone to tell their MPs that the time to act is NOW! Please join us on **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June** for the Time is Now Lobby of Parliament. For more information and to sign up go to <https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Climate/Climate-lobby>. CAFOD Portsmouth is organising a coach to the lobby leaving from Sacred Heart Church Ringwood cost £20. To book use the link above. You can park in the church car park for the day.

## Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington

**Anniversaries this week:** Fr Abraham Jacob, Eila Farie (13<sup>th</sup>), John Slater, Richard Mark Uniacke (14<sup>th</sup>), Edith Manghan, Alice Elizabeth Marsh (15<sup>th</sup>), Pauline Agnes Gregory, Gary Stratton, Ruby Harris (16<sup>th</sup>), Peter Henry, Barbara De Vere-Hunt, Richard 'Ric' Kay, Albert Edward Cooper (17<sup>th</sup>)

**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.

**FUND RAISING MEETING:** on Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm in Joseph's Place. If you care about your church buildings then please come & bring ideas and a willingness to help in some way. Wine & nibbles will be provided.

**CWL:** The next meeting of the CWL will be on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 2.15 in Joseph's Place.

**FRIENDSHIP CLUB:** will be meeting next Monday May 13<sup>th</sup> at 2pm in Joseph's Room. In addition to the usual Quiz, Raffle and Tea there will be a talk about New Forest Ponies. We will be taking names for the visit to Exbury Gardens on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> and collecting payment of £9 to include the bus and admission to the gardens.

**KNIT & STITCH** will meet next Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2019 in Joseph's Place from 2.30pm to 4pm. All welcome.

**THANK YOU:** thank you to all the people who came to our CWL coffee morning and who bought cakes. The total we raised was £120.00 for our charities.

**SPECIAL LITURGY FOR OUR LADY** - KS1 children from OLSJ school will be taking part in a liturgy centred around the love for Our Lady at OLMSJ church on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 9.15am. All are welcome. PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL NOT BE A MASS THAT MORNING.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

**RETREAT DAY – Readers / Ministers of Holy Communion / SVP:** Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May from 10am to 3pm with Paul Inwood. This is the annual spiritual refresher day for Lymington parish.

**Mass for the Sick**-Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May at 3pm at Our Lady of Lourdes, New Milton. Special prayers for all those who are unwell and opportunity to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Parishioners from all three parishes invited.

**Our Lady of Mercy & St Joseph Church, Lymington:** Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> May, 160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Consecration of the church. Special 10.30am Mass.

**APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA:** To all those who give their time to help seafarers on the Stella Maris project at St Bernard's, Holbury - There is a meeting to set the new rota on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 7pm.

## All Parishes

**TALK ON THE NEW FOREST WITH VIDEO:** On the Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> May at 3pm in Joseph's Place at Our Lady of Mercy and St Joseph, Suzanne Kempe will be giving a talk on the New Forest. It will be accompanied by a video presentation. This should be an interesting talk so please do try to come. It is free and afterwards there will be tea and biscuits.

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**CALLING FIRE WARDENS: OLMSJ, ST FRANCIS & ST ANNE'S :** There will be a Refresher Course for all Fire Wardens on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm at OLMSJ church with the Diocesan Fire Officer Deacon Stephen Short. *All are asked to attend.* Please ring the parish office 01590 676696 and leave a message for Linda as to whether you will be attending or not.

**WE NEED MORE FIRE WARDENS-** We *urgently* need more Fire Wardens for 6pm Saturday Mass OLMSJ and 6pm Sunday Mass at St Anne's Please consider being a Fire Warden. If you would like to be a Fire Warden please ring the parish office for details.