

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF LYMINGTON, BROCKENHURST & MILFORD-ON-SEA

Our Lady of Mercy & St Joseph
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St Anne
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School: Our Lady & St Joseph Catholic Primary School, Ramley Rd, Pennington, 01590 672711. Exec. Head: Gerida Montague
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Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday Morning
from after Mass until
10.30am

Masses & Services for the Week: 7th September - 15th September 2019

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE	CHURCH	LITURGY	INTENTION	P
SAT	7 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	23 rd Sunday of the Year C (G)	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	8 th	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	23 rd Sunday of the Year C (G)	Lynn & John Roden 50 th Anniv	DMA
SUN	8 th	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	23 rd Sunday of the Year C (G)	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	8 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	23 rd Sunday of the Year C (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
MON	9 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the Day (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
TUE	10 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the Day (G)	Joseph & Flora Weld RIP F/M	DMA
WED	11 th	9.30am	W & C	Our Lady	of the Day (G)	N/A	
WED	11 th	10.00am	Mass	St Francis	of the Day (G)	as per celebrant	PWR
WED	11 th	10.00am	Mass	St Anne	of the Day (G)	Macey & Blythe McCormack (Thanksgiving)	DMA
THU	12 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	of the Day (G)	Harry Newenham RIP F/M	DMA
FRI	13 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	St John Chrysostom, Mem, (W)	Christy & Thea McCormack (Well-being)	DMA
SAT	14 th	9.30am	Mass	Our Lady	Exaltation of the Holy Cross, Feast, (R)	Kathleen Dorothy Haywood RIP F/M	DMA
SAT	14 th	2.30pm	Wedding	Our Lady	Rossa Shanks & Victoria Harries	N/A	DMA
SAT	14 th	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady	24 th Sunday of the Year C (G)	Joseph & Flora Weld RIP F/M	DMA
SUN	15 th	9.00am	Mass	St Francis	24 th Sunday of the Year C (G)	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	15 th	10.30am	Mass	Our Lady	24 th Sunday of the Year C (G)	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	15 th	12.30pm	Baptism	Our Lady	baby Jude Howell	N/A	DMA
SUN	15 th	6.00pm	Mass	St Anne	24 th Sunday of the Year C (G)	People of the Parishes	DMA

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: SVP APPEAL THIS WEEKEND 7th/8th SEPTEMBER

HOME MISSIONS - 14th/15th SEPTEMBER

Prayer for Creation: Father, Lord of all creation, we praise you with all your creatures and the whole universe that comes forth from the work of your hands. We acknowledge the privilege and responsibility that you give us as stewards of your creation. In our ignorance we have done damage to our common home and our brothers and sisters are suffering. Through faithfully following your Son guide and direct us to prepare for a better future. Teach us to contemplate you in the beauty of the universe, for all things speak of you. Give us the grace to recognise, respect and protect all you have created, using wisely all that you have entrusted to us. Holy Spirit, who first hovered over the dawn of creation and drew order out of the chaos help us to build your kingdom of justice, love, peace and beauty where the poor of the earth are crying out. You, who live and reign, world without end, Amen.

IMPOSSIBLE DISCIPLESHIP?

CONTEXT: We need to read the Acts of the Apostles to get the context here. Paul, Barnabas, Mark & Luke preaching the Gospel, experiencing rejection and hardship. Believers in Jesus risking the loss of family and possessions. People faced with difficult choices.

PRAYER: Of course we must love everyone and hate no-one. We should be grateful for family & friends, for having more than just the bare necessities. But not all allegiances are compatible with our allegiance to Christ. Do our possessions possess us? At a simplistic level we cannot be Jesus's disciples. He is asking too much of us. However, we can "sue for peace" as the parable says. We can pray that what is impossible for us may be made possible by God's grace. We can examine our priorities. We can gradually change from being possessors to being good stewards of God's gifts. We can embrace the cross daily with God's help.

ACTION: If we are just thinking about ourselves and our own advantage we are not going to be inclined to help others. If we see ourselves as primarily possessors we won't be inclined to generosity. In Christian life some are called to embrace a more radical Gospel life-style, a sort of fast track to Christ-like attitudes and relationships. Most of us take a more meandering course and hopefully, by God's grace, arrive at the same point. The goal for everyone is what St Paul called the fruits of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness & self-control. Helping others and supporting the needy is an important imperative in our Christian life & helps us grow as disciples. (DMA)

Hands & Feet Corner

"Lord – help me to recognise the 'Onesimus' in my life. Who is that person that has fallen through the cracks of society? Who is that vulnerable person that I could help?"

Dear Lord – Show us how we can become your hands and your feet today. Give us the grace to listen and not just hear; to seek out and not just see. Guide us to find those who need our help.

St Francis, Milford-on-Sea

Anniversaries this week: George Karpowicz (8th), Brian Patrick Fitzpatrick (12th), Ursula Marie Edwarde (13th)

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

A BIG THANK YOU FROM FR.PETER: Thanks to all of you from St Francis who contributed so generously to the cheques that Father David presented to me last Sunday and also to those of you who sent personal cards and gifts - all much appreciated. It has been a great privilege to serve all of you in the two parishes and I hope I may be useful to you for another year or two "If God spares me..." as older Catholics often used to say in Liverpool!!

Taize Service 6pm: every 4th Sunday at All Saints'. Beautiful service of prayer, Taize chants, readings and time for quiet reflection. Next two will be **22 Sept and 27 October**. We are warmly invited to attend.

Ecumenical Service 6pm: The regular 5th Sunday service in the Community Centre, Sea Road, for all denominations, with be on **Sunday 29 Sept**. This is also the final day of Christians Together **Prayer Weekend** when all prayer requests will be prayed over. You will find a Prayer Request Form at the back cover of your Aug/Sept copy of *Village Voice* free magazine. Requests are treated in total confidence. The basket for returning your Prayer Request Form is in Little Assisi Room, from where they will be taken to the Service.

Newcomers' Supper will be on 12th October. St Francis' Church are responsible for producing and co-ordinating the puddings. Rosalie Mans has been doing the co-ordinating for many years and would be greatly relieved to give it up. **Please would you** volunteer to take on the job? It does not mean making puddings, only arranging for people to make them and arranging serving them on the night.

St Anne, Brockenhurst

Anniversaries this week: Helena Christina Woolacott, Elizabeth French (12th)

Sick and Housebound: Please keep in your prayers Anna Hubbard, Sean Dunn and Linda Reardon.

Fr Quarmby's Masses: for the week beginning 8th September: 8 a.m. Tuesday and Friday; 10 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday. Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary: Wednesday 9 a.m. and 9.30.

The Season of Creation: runs from 1st September until 4th October, the feast of St Francis. This is an ecumenical season dedicated to prayer for the protection of creation and the promotion of sustainable lifestyles. You can find resources on line at CAFOD.org.uk and Columban.org.au.

Creation Celebration Mass: will be held on Sunday, 22nd September together with the Children's Liturgy Group.

A Prayer Vigil: will be held in the church on Sunday, 6th October at 4.30pm to mark the Feast of St Francis and the end of the Season of Creation.

Coffee morning: at Jo Cole's house in Sway on Thursday, 26 September at 10.30am to raise funds for Our Lady & St Joseph church, Lymington.

SVP Appeal: A special collection will be held following Mass this weekend for the SVP Appeal

Church Garden: Progress is being made with clearing the area beside the garage for a wildlife, bee-friendly garden. Our small group of gardeners would be very grateful for any flowering plants you are digging up over the next few weeks and no longer want or bulbs you don't need. Please give these to Andrea or leave plants in the tray of water beside the garage.

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

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SOCIAL EVENTS TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE BUILDING FUND AT OLMSJ. Tickets for the **Curry Night on 29th September** are on sale until Sunday 22nd September. The curry night will be at Joseph's place at OLMSJ. There will also be a raffle. There are only 50 places, so don't delay, buy today! There is a colourful A4 sheet with the menu on one side at the back of church. There is a tear off strip at the bottom, please fill that in and hand it into the parish office with £20 per person. Please pay in cash or by cheque payable to **PRCDTR Lymington Building Fund**. Thank you.

The next social event: Quiz night 19th October: So start getting your team together. Teams of 6 *maximum*, so you will 'buy a table' for your team of 6. Bring your own food and drink. Bring anything from a picnic to a candlelit meal! You choose. You can be as extravagant or as minimalist as you wish. There will also be a raffle. Our thanks to Deacon Steve Bowler from Waterside who will be our Quizmaster. How much? Watch this space!

Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington

Anniversaries this week: Mary Elizabeth Wilson (7th), Mary Kelly (8th), Michael Joseph Heneghan, Thomas Richard Kenneth 'Dickie' Weguelin (11th), Reverend Hendrick Van Doorne, Florrie Manghan, Betty Lang, Pauline Goudaillier (13th)

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

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: We would like to start our new programme for the 2019/2020 Sacrament of Confirmation. If you are aged 13+ and would like to take part in the programme please complete the form at the back of the Church and return it to Cathy Pickles no later than Sunday 29th September.

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OUR THANKS: to the Saturday coffee/lunches fund-raising team who raised the grand sum of £247.60 for HoneyPot Childrens Charity. Well done to everyone who helped or contributed to this excellent result.

MISSIO Red Box Collection: We will be having a collection point for MISSIO Red Boxes at the back of the church at Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses this weekend (7th & 8th Sept). If you have a Red Box and are able to bring it along, it would be much appreciated. Please make sure that your box has your name on it before handing in, so that we can identify your donation. Any queries, please contact Jenny on 01590 610413

The next **CWL MEETING** is on Tuesday, 10th September at 2.15pm in Joseph's place. Our speaker is Shelley Lozano a cabaret artist and Big Cat conservationist. Should be good and entertaining, do hope you can come.

Cabaret artist and a Big Cat conservationist: Shelley Lozano will give an entertaining talk in Joseph's Place on Tuesday, 10th September at 3pm. Her talk will cover both these topics. It is a free event and members of the parish are invited.

NEXT FUND-RAISING EVENTS - 29th September – A Curry Night! - tickets available now.

After that: 19th October- Quiz Night

How to pay for tickets: either cash in envelope or see Fund raising item for bank details.

BUILDING FUND UPDATE: We have 13 **pledges** which will realise £28,200 over five years including Gift Aid. **Bank Account Receipts:-** £5,362.59 - Ordinary donations; £7,885.70 - Gift Aided donations; £884.80 - Fund Raising events; £356.63 - Book Sales; £401.71 - Smartie Tubes. £14,891.43 Total at Bank. Anticipated Income: Remainder of Living Our Faith - £3,230; Gift Aid on above donations - £1,971.43.

WE NEED A LOT MORE PLEDGES. Please consider giving an amount each month over 5yrs. You can always alter or cancel if your circumstances change. See the green forms at the back of church.

Standing Orders, cheques or transfers payable to:

PRCDTR LYMINGTON BUILDING FUND (account no. 35553160, sort code: 30-80-27)

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MORE SCHOOL GOVERNORS NEEDED: If you think you might be interested please have a chat with the new chair, Dominic Boddington or the vice-chair, Helen Ruane - email addresses below:
dominic.boddington@olsjschool.com; helen.ruane@olsjschool.com

Parish Pop Up Reading and Reflection Event. Friday 4th October and Friday 1st November 4.30pm – 6.30pm. In the Community room, Lymington Library, North Close, SO41 9BW. Fr David's recent dramatic exploration of a Gospel story sparked a strong connection to a classic American novel, *The Scarlet Letter* by Nathaniel Hawthorne. If you fancy delving into guilt, revenge and redemption in colonial America, do join Marilyn and Mary to discuss this novel which provides so much food for thought and topical conversations. The event is open to all and you will need to read the book before the first evening. It is currently on sale on Kindle for 49p! We have chosen twilight time on Fridays so that you could combine with errands in town beforehand and meet friends and family afterwards! RSVP and contact Marilynkinnon@gmail.com and marydunnlym@gmail.com for more details. 01590 672 425

HEADTEACHER VACANCY – CHRISTCHURCH: St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Christchurch are seeking to appoint a new Headteacher. Full details are available on the Government, Dorset and Diocesan Websites. For a comprehensive pack and application form Email b.hincks@stjosephs.dorset.sch.uk or phone the school on 01202 485976. Application forms can also be downloaded from the CES website. Closing date 13 September 2019