

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

Our Lady of Mercy & St Joseph  
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## *The Week: 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2024 - 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024*

DAY	DATE	CHURCH	TIME	SERVICE	LITURGY	MASS INTENTION <i>(when applicable)</i>	
SAT	22 <sup>nd</sup>	OLMSJ	6.00pm	Mass	12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year (B)	Joseph & Flora Weld RIP F/M	DMA
SUN	23 <sup>rd</sup>	St Francis	9.00am	Mass	12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year (B)	John Percival (Health)	DMA
SUN	23 <sup>rd</sup>	OLMSJ	10.30am	Mass	12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year (B)	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	23 <sup>rd</sup>	St Anne	6.00pm	Mass	12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year (B)	Normina Marshall RIP F/M	DMA
TUE	25 <sup>th</sup>	OLMSJ	10.00am	Mass	12 <sup>th</sup> Week of the Year	Maria Stuttaford (Ints)	DMA
WED	26 <sup>th</sup>	St Francis	10.00am	Mass	12 <sup>th</sup> Week of the Year	John Gilford RIP	DMA
FRI	28 <sup>th</sup>	St Anne	5.30pm	Rehearsal	Wedding Rehearsal	N/A	DMA
SAT	29 <sup>th</sup>	St Anne	12.30pm	Mass	Nuptial Mass	Anton Stephan & Janice Dmello	DMA
SAT	29 <sup>th</sup>	OLMSJ	6.00pm	Mass	Ss Peter & Paul	Deacon Anthony Cairns (Ints)	DMA
SUN	30 <sup>th</sup>	St Francis	9.00am	Mass	Ss Peter & Paul	For those who are unwell	DMA
SUN	30 <sup>th</sup>	OLMSJ	10.30am	Mass	Ss Peter & Paul	People of the Parishes	DMA
SUN	30 <sup>th</sup>	St Anne	6.00pm	Mass	Ss Peter & Paul	Frank Pignatelli (Ints)	DMA

**FEAR IN A STORM:** In today's Gospel Jesus suggests to his disciples that they cross the lake to the other side. The sun has set; soon it will be nightfall. The pressing crowds are left behind, but what lies ahead is no picnic. The lake is normally calm, but because of its position - about seven hundred feet below sea level - it is subject to sudden windstorms, which sweep down from the surrounding hills, rush through the narrow gorges that break upon the lake, and whip up the saucer-like sea. This is what happens in today's Gospel: the rapid change of weather causes the waves to break into the boat so that it starts to fill.

In the midst of this chaos Jesus is fast asleep on the small bench at the back of the boat, his head on a cushion. The disciples have no intention of letting Jesus doze through a disaster; the boat is sinking and, perhaps like most fishermen, the disciples cannot swim to save their lives. They wake Jesus with an accusation: "Master, do you not care? We are going down!" Jesus wakes up, rebukes the wind and commands the sea to be quiet. After rebuking the tempest Jesus rebukes his disciples for their large fear and little faith. In the midst of the calm there arises the central question about Jesus: "Who then is this?"

The question about Jesus' identity arises from seeing, what Jesus actually does. People begin to wonder about who Jesus is when they witness what he does. If everyone had been washed overboard, for example, the question would not have arisen. The question is posed; the answer, however, will be understood only after the resurrection.

We believe with St. Mark that the answer to the question "Who is this man?" is that he is the Son of God. That proclamation of the identity of Jesus is at the heart of our Christian creed. But the question remains whether our faith in Jesus will stay with us even during threat and danger and storm. The experience of the disciples on the Sea of Galilee is a graphic one: they feel all at sea, they feel up to their neck in difficulty, they feel powerless to withstand the environment of threat. For sure, their experience is not alien to us.

We believe that Jesus accompanies us on our journey to God, that he is "on board" with us. Sometimes, when we see such disorder and chaos around our world, we might wonder if Jesus has chosen to sleep through disaster - even though we know that his presence is no insurance against our own fear and anxiety. To journey with Jesus is to journey through storms, not around them. The peace of our Galilees will be disturbed. But we know that the disciples of Jesus went on to face shipwreck and hardship and rejection. Ultimately, many of them came face to face with a violent death and martyrdom. What kept them going is what keeps us going: a strenuous belief that Jesus is Lord of all chaos, a stubborn faith which tells us that there is no storm that will not be stilled at last by the peace of his presence. In the meantime, we struggle on and hold on to our hats! (from Denis McBride - *Seasons of the Word*)

## *St Francis, Milford-on-Sea*

**Anniversaries this week:** Valerie Cynthia Gatty (23<sup>rd</sup>), Alice Mary Jackson, Christopher Nolan (26<sup>th</sup>)

**Sick & Housebound:** Jacquie Kirke, Barbara Mills, Kath Randle, Rita Ford, June Gow, Norah Sweeney, Sarah Bell.

**NEXT COFFEE MORNING:** Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> July after Mass in the Maryland Room. All are welcome. And thanks to the Team.

**HAND SEWING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** There are about 400 knitted squares waiting to be sewn together to make blankets for Ukraine. Any volunteers would be welcome!?

**COACH TRIP – 4<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER: PLEASE BOOK NOW.** It would be very helpful if you could book now for this lovely day out to Arundel & Chichester Cathedrals. We need just 30 confirmed bookings to know we can cover the cost of the coach booking. Fr David has printed booking forms available at all churches and John Stephenson also at Milford.

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO GIFT THE NEW LECTIONARY?:** The new Lectionary will come into use in Advent this year. A full set of four volumes costs £590 (this includes a 15% discount). Each volume has a donor bookplate which can be inscribed in acknowledgement of the donation. An individual volume costs £150. If you would like to donate a whole set or an individual volume, please contact the parish office. See email attachment for more details or visit CTS bookshop online.

## *St Anne, Brockenhurst*

**Anniversaries this week:** Canon Timothy Dwyer (24<sup>th</sup>), Teresa Longman (25<sup>th</sup>), Vera Annesley (27<sup>th</sup>)

**Sick and Housebound:** Please keep in your prayers: Michael McCabe, Paddy Lark, Susan McCabe.

**SPECIAL PRAYERS:** Michael McCabe is now back at home. Hopefully surgery won't be necessary. Please continue the prayers for his full recovery.

**PRAYERS PLEASE:** for Frank, the brother of Bill Pignatelli. Frank has been diagnosed with a terminal illness. Frank lives in Glasgow. May God help and support Frank & his family at this difficult time.

**WEDDING NEXT SATURDAY AT ST ANNES:** Anton Stephan and Janice DMello will be getting married in St Anne's next Saturday, 29th June at 12.30pm. The rehearsal will on Friday at 5.30pm. We wish them every happiness in their married life together. And thanks to Annabelle who is assisting with flowers and decorations.

**CREAM TEA:** The PPC is delighted to announce that we have found a more suitable date for the cream tea which previously had to be postponed. We will be inviting the parishioners from St Francis and OLMSJ to join us on Saturday, 20th July at 3pm at our church. More details to follow nearer the time. If you would like to come along or are able to help in any way with preparations or on the day, please have a word with Henrietta or Annabelle before or after Mass or phone Henrietta on 682347 or email Annabelle at [annadmellor@gmail.com](mailto:annadmellor@gmail.com).

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**DELICIOUS CREAM TEA – DATE FOR THE DIARY:** The PPC and parishioners of St Anne's are delighted to announce that we have found a more suitable date for the cream tea which we previously had to postpone and would like to invite the parishioners from St Francis and OLMSJ to join us on Saturday, 20th July at 3 pm at St Anne's. More details will follow nearer the time. It would really help us with preparations if you could let us know if you plan to attend, either by phoning Henrietta on 682347 or by emailing Annabelle at [annadmellor@gmail.com](mailto:annadmellor@gmail.com)

**CAN YOU HELP WITH KNITTING, SEWING OR CROCHET?** Summer gets hot in Ukraine (up to 35C inland) so we need to build on our fabulous efforts to get them what they need. So light knits (4 or 3 ply – you can always adapt a DK pattern, do a bigger size and knit with 4 ply!) would be especially appreciated now. Please keep any winter knits in storage at home until September. Many thanks. The list of what is required is at the back of OLMSJ church and is also attached to the Newsletter sent out by email.

## *Our Lady & St Joseph, Lymington*

**Anniversaries this week:** Canon Donal Murphy-O'Connor (22<sup>nd</sup>), Margaret Hayward-Broomfield, Hany Oum Leon (23<sup>rd</sup>). Joseph Dowd, Patricia Waring, Frank Bartlett (24<sup>th</sup>), John Moffet, John William Francis McEvoy (25<sup>th</sup>), Douglas Kelleher (26<sup>th</sup>), Ethna Mary Anne Cuthbert (27<sup>th</sup>), Charles McCartan, Allan Brundrett (28<sup>th</sup>)

**Sick and Housebound:** Jo English, Fr Shaun Budden, Pat Leahy, Clare Bearcroft, Susie Wright, Joan McCafferty, Frances Riches, Ron & Rita Barrett, John & Nicki Collins, Frances Walker, Sean Dunn, Deacon Anthony Cairns, Simone Cluett.

**SPECIAL PRAYERS PLEASE:** for Deacon Anthony Cairns who is very poorly in Bournemouth Hospital.

**FRIENDSHIP CLUB:** – The July meeting of the Friendship Club on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July will be a Fish & Chip lunch between 12.30pm and 2pm. If you are interested in joining us, please call Nichola Kirby on 07710 156087. The cost will be around £5.

The next **LYMINGTON COFFEE MORNING** will take place on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2024 in Joseph's Place from 10am to 1pm. All proceeds again to the Summer Camp fund for young people aged 11 to 21, which is run by the sisters at St Dominic's Priory and a team of "Fanning the Flame" volunteers who have been running the event for over 20 years. All cakes gratefully received.

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**UPDATES ON HASSOCKS VERSUS KNEELERS:** We are still waiting for a sample hassock to be able to show people what they are like. In the meantime we have had four responses in favour of hassocks and one against. If anyone would like to donate towards the cost of the hassocks, please contact the parish office. We are also considering inviting individual parishioners to purchase a hassock which could then have a dedication stitched on to it.

**BUILDING FUND UPDATE:** On 31/05/24 Church Building Fund was £263,190.08.

## *All Parishes*

**CHECK OUR WEBSITE:** [www.nfwp.org.uk](http://www.nfwp.org.uk) for resources to support us in our faith and in our care of one another.

**SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND:** (29th/30th June) for "Peters Pence". This collection is made worldwide and is a contribution to the work of Pope Francis across the world to spread the Gospel and bring charitable aid to the needy.

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**UKRAINE APPEAL FOR SAFETY PINS:** The bandage makers are very short of safety pins for bandages for the wounded in Ukraine. Please leave any spares you may have in an envelope in the Dropbox in the porch at OLMSJ". Thank you.

**"KEEP THE DATE" -7th September 2024 for our 3 parishes joint beach clean up.** This year the suggested joint activity for our 3 parishes is a beach clean-up in Milford on sea and the date chosen is just after schools have re-opened. Please keep this date free and look out for more information in July/August.

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