

WATERSIDE CATHOLIC PARISH

Registered Charity No 246871

Part of the New Forest Pastoral Area

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The Gospel of Luke – The Gospel of Mercy

27th Sunday of Ordinary Time

2nd - 8th October 2016

Year C, Weekdays Year 2 Psalter week 3

MASS TIMES

9.00am

Mass SB

11.00am

Mass SM

Anniversaries this week: George Turuta (2nd), Margaret
Bull (4th), Fred Warrilow (5th), Urban Paul (5th)

Remembering those who have died recently: Sue Knell,
Nick Candrl, Bernard Hand, Kathleen Dowds, Deacon Pat
Taylor

Mass intentions:

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WATERSIDE: Hythe & Holbury - see above

LYNDHURST & TOTTON

Parish Priest- Rev Innaiah Maddineni Tel: 023 8086 2270

St Theresa of the Child Jesus-Beaumont Road, Totton &
Our Lady of the Assumption & St Edward the Confessor-
Furzy Lawn, Romsey Road, Lyndhurst:

Deacon Rev Stephen Short (Lyndhurst)

Saturday Vigil Mass 6pm Totton

Sunday Mass 9am Lyndhurst

10.30am (Aug-Sept only 10.45) Totton

LYMINGTON, BROCKENHURST, MILFORD ON SEA

Parish Priest-Rev David Adams Tel: 01590 676696

Our Lady of Mercy & St Joseph-High Street, Lymington,
St Anne-Rhinefield Road, Brockenhurst

St Francis of Assisi-Park Lane, Milford on Sea.

Deacon: Rev Stephen Morgan

Saturday Vigil Mass: 6pm Lymington

Sunday Mass 9am Milford on Sea,

10.30am Lymington

6pm Brockenhurst

NEW MILTON

Parish Priest: Rev George Ngwa: Tel: 01425 614968

Our Lady of Lourdes-Mount Avenue, New Milton

Saturday Vigil Mass: 6pm

Sunday Mass 10 am

THE DEANERY is made up from the pastoral areas of New Forest,
Avon Stour, & Bournemouth **Dean: Fr Tom Grufferty**

IF WE HAD JUST A LITTLE FAITH!

What is faith? A father recounts an experience he had. It is an every day experience, one that perhaps all parents have had. He comes home from work, opens the door. Their little boy has been waiting eagerly for his dad's return. As soon as the door opens he runs down the stairs, along the corridor and leaps into his father's arms. Dad, of course, is not wholly unexpected this greeting and manages to catch his son in full flight. There are great cries of excitement all round. The boy immediately seizes the moment and claims one of his great thrills. Daddy! Daddy! Catch me! Catch me! Dad responds and happily throws his son into the air and catches him safely. Higher! Higher, the boy cries.

Now that is faith. It comes so naturally, so spontaneously. It is why Jesus says, unless we change and become like little children we will never enter the kingdom of heaven. We think we are the ones who teach our children the faith. Really they are the ones who teach us what faith is about. We have some thoughts, some words and ideas, hopefully they are sound. Children are living faith and trust every day. That is why it can be so damaging when that natural trust is not met with love and care.

Faith is caught more than taught. It is inspired rather than contrived. When the apostles say, "Increase our faith" Jesus responds by encouraging their desire. (Both believing & not believing are choices of the heart) With even a little bit of faith obstacles that seemed so big soon become less daunting and can be overcome. We grow in faith not by reading and memorising doctrines but by catching it from others, especially the "little ones". The "little ones" are those who may not be powerful or particularly clever but they are rich in relationship with God and others. We grow in faith by acting upon it, by taking that leap. Faith that remains just in the head is dead. When we act in faith we show that our lives are really in relationship with the living God and not just notionally informed by an idea of God. This is why it has been described as "stepping out in faith", taking a "leap of faith", and "walking in faith".

So when God tells us not to be afraid we must start to let go of our fear. If a certain course of action seems right in the sight of God then we should do it trusting that God will provide. When we protest to God that if we have to do that we will die, or that we definitely can't live without such & such. Our faith is still weak. God will not indulge our whims but God will indeed provide. God wants to give us what is our very own – that is ourselves clothed in all the goodness of God revealed in Jesus.

Faithfulness – It is hard for us these days, life changes so quickly. But faithfulness will ultimately define us. To whom or to what are we faithful? There may be injustice and oppression all around but we are called to persevere in struggling for peace, compassion & God's way – not from fear, not for reward, not for the satisfaction of results but because it is our duty – it is the right path to follow. When we don't get thanks, when things don't seem to improve, when the obstacles seem mountainous – that's when faith & faithfulness must shine. (DMA)

For Sacrament of the sick or Holy Communion to the sick or housebound: contact parish office

Please keep in your prayers: Violetta Baddour, David Bazley, Janice Bird, Nigel Bolton, Russell Bowlds, Philomena Breen, Kitty Burroughs, Marion Butler, Denise Calder, Bruno Chrzanowski, Fr Vincent Convery, Kathryn Cox, Avril Daniels, Elizabeth Dawtry, Joan de Haven, Baby Finlay Drozd, Baby Elijah, Keith Ellison, Derek Faiers, Mervyn Francis, Dennis Freemantle, David Grennell, Amanda Gudge, Sally Herbert, Catherine Heron, Doreen Holman, Joan Hopper, Chrissy James, Peggy Kirwan, Betty Marek, Susan Marlow, Sarah Marshall, Pauline Moore, Niamh Mulherne, Maureen Mullen, Tony O'Connell, Anne O Connor, Elsa Poole, Michelle Ripley, Joan Smith, Emmie Walker, Brian Weston, Maureen Weyman. Mary & Lawrie Witchell, Bridget Wyatt



FIRE WARDENS TRAINING for SB's and SM's. Thank you to all those who have volunteered. **Your training will be at St Bernard's on Saturday 8th October at 10.30am. Please confirm via the office that you will be attending as I need to let the Fire Officer have numbers.**



TO ALL THOSE WHO USE THE KEYS AT SB'S.

At the request of the Diocesan Fire Officer a new lock has been put on the door to the electrical cupboard at SB's. The keys are now in a key safe which you will see as you enter the church. The code is the first 3 digits of the door key pad. To open set the dials and turn knob. Please scramble the digits as you close the box. Please leave the fire alarm key in there when you take the bunch of keys out.

To all parishioners: the fire extinguishers have been repositioned in a red stand for safety purposes. Please do not remove.



OUR CHRISTMAS FAYRE is only 62 days away from today : Saturday 3rd December! To avoid inundating you with requests nearer the date we are going to specify different things each month. This month we would like: **prizes. for the raffle & craft items and bottles for the bottle stall.**

If you have any prizes for the main raffle please take them to the parish shop: Faith Hope & Charity, or leave them at the back of the church for collection. Please mark them 'Parish raffle'. If you can make or buy anything which can be sold on the Craft stall for the Fayre, please see Tina Bowler or ring the parish office. Thank you!



MASS COUNT Although we take a Mass count at every Mass during the year. the Mass counts each Sunday during the month of October are designated for the collection of Diocesan and National statistics .



CHRISTMAS CARDS. Please support the parish shop- Faith, Hope & Charity. It contributes a great deal to the parish finances every year. They have a good selection of Christmas cards. Buy early- avoid the rush!



PORTSMOUTH PEOPLE. Copies of the Diocesan magazine 'Portsmouth People' are available at the back of the Church. It is a good publication and...it's free! Why not take a copy to a friend so they can see what is happening in the Portsmouth Diocese.



There will be a short talk about this year's Harvest appeal after both Masses today.



THERE IS A PASTORAL LETTER from Bishop Philip: *The Future of our Catholic schools* which will be read at both Masses today.

The website for the New Forest Pastoral area has a weekly extract from Laudato Si. <http://www.nfwf.org.uk/>



THE POPE TWEETS @Pontifex

How beautiful would it be to leave the world a better place than the way we found it.



BISHOP PHILIP TWEETS @BishopEgan

Let us pray for our diocesan schools, teachers, staff, governors, parents and students.

COLLECTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER



The collection for the Cathedral on 25th September was £ 137.15 Thank you for your generosity.



TODAY October 2nd The Bishops of England and Wales have requested an additional 2nd collection for the Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham.



THIS FRIDAY: 7TH OCTOBER CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY (collection Sunday 9th Oct)

This Harvest Fast Day we are invited to join

Nicanora from Bolivia on her journey from poverty to abundance. With our help she can learn new skills and receive materials and seeds that will enable her and her fellow villagers to grow enough to feed their families.

Please pick up a Fast Day envelope from the porch and give what you can.

Since this is a 2 year project a 2 year commitment would be particularly valuable.

We pray for all those who hunger that, through the grace of God, they may come to share in the abundance given for us all.

23rd October MISSION SUNDAY: Foreign Missions

23rd October FAIRTRADE GOODS being sold at both churches

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

+Sick clergy, especially Fr Vincent, and lay faithful of the Diocese.

+All Seminarians

+All those all over the world who bring in the Harvest

+Our Catholic schools

WHAT'S ON ?



FAITH FEST: MUSIC WORKSHOPS Holy Redeemer Church, Highcliffe, 13-15, Kilmington Way, BH23 5BL

Sat 15th October 2016, 10am - 4pm, followed by Mass at 5pm

Cost: By donation on the day. NB Please bring a 'Packed Lunch' and 'snacks' for the duration of the day. Tea/Coffee/Cold drinks will be provided

To help the organising committee cater for numbers please register your intention to participate by contacting John Murphy by email: celticmurphy4@aol.com



PAUSE FOR PRAYER 25th October 10-11am St Michael's Hythe All welcome for quiet scripture, prayer and reflection.

FAITH, HOPE & CHARITY 8 ST JOHN'S STREET, HYTHE Tel: 02380 207882

