

## 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

**33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time**

**13th -19th November 2016 -**

**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**

*"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old.  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them".*

**Year C, Weekdays Year 2 Psalter week 1**

**MASS TIMES**

**9.00am**

**Mass SB**

**11.00am**

**Mass SM**

**Anniversaries this week :** Peter Grimes (15th), Desmond  
Stratton (16th), Eileen Kenny (19th)

**Remembering those who have died recently** Joan de  
Haven, Thomas Pender, Frank Boyle

**New Forest Pastoral Area**

**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, Lyminster,  
St Anne-Rhinefield Road, Brockenhurst

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

**Deacon: Rev Stephen Morgan**

**Saturday Vigil Mass:** 6pm Lyminster

**Sunday Mass** 9am Milford on Sea,

10.30am Lyminster

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**

## THOUGH THE MOUNTAINS MAY FALL

It's a strange fact that newspapers and news programmes rely more on bad news than they do on good news. Such is the way our brains have evolved that it is bad news that triggers the most urgent response. It has to do with fear, anxiety and danger. Our primitive reptilian brain managed to process and respond to three basic needs: supper, sex and survival. These three reactions involve increasing heart rate, adrenalin and concentration. Good news on the other hand causes the bodily systems to relax. Drive, motivation and energy are difficult to summon up when everything is OK. If you want to get people's attention stir up fear, anxiety and anger. Some people find it difficult to cope with harmony and silence, they quickly get bored and restless. They have probably grown up with a lot of anxiety, tension or argument. They feel strange if there is not something to argue about, get annoyed about or fight about.

Anger energy is not bad, it depends how we channel it. Some people have gone on to do great work and really helped others because they felt sufficiently angry about a perceived injustice. Fear can make us focus and prepare for danger. Too much fear, however, leads to paralysis of mind and action, then useless panic. However while feelings are never bad in themselves the physiological effects of holding onto anger, fear, anxiety, guilt etc. can be quite damaging for the heart, digestive & immune systems, muscles & joints.

So what is Jesus doing with these rather frightening words of today's Gospel? Perhaps Jesus is using our natural fear to help us focus on our spiritual needs. Perhaps Jesus is also using this dramatic language to break our dependency on things that are not really dependable.

We tend to put a lot of our faith in the "system", i.e. in the economy, in the country, in technology, in social myths like being in control, independence and consumerism. Over recent years faith in the financial system has been severely shaken. Stock markets, pension funds, mortgages, loans have all been gambled with, at high risk, to make extortionate profits. We have had similar experiences regarding other institutions like church, the health service & the political and judicial systems. We put a lot of faith in these things but we have not put much faith in God, or in God's wisdom, or in God's way. We are paying the price now.

Writings about the end times help to shatter our illusions and break our false dependencies. They urge us to put our faith in God and in all the blessings of God, which endure forever. The apocalyptic writings of the Bible were intended to strengthen those who were suffering persecution for their faith and to give them hope in God's life which brings true peace and happiness now and endures beyond the passing pleasures and vicissitudes of this world.

For us who are not experiencing persecution (yet) these words can stir us out of our complacency. Irrespective of what happens in the future for the planet or the universe, all of us have to come to our own end times. This may involve a spiritual re-birth or awakening. It can happen a long time before or a short time before our actual physical death. The most important questions are: How are Jesus' words being fulfilled in our own lives, at this moment? How am I responding? Some recent research indicates that many older people cannot accept the link between life-style and climate change. Instead of trying to moderate their consumption they are actually increasing consumption. This reaction arises from our fear of mortality and our unwillingness to accept it. The consumer life-style helps us sustain the illusion that we can live here for ever. This illusion seems necessary to fill the gaping hole caused by a lack of meaning & purpose when people imagine they are disconnected, alone and alienated. Faith connects us to God, to the ultimate mystery of Life. When we are rooted in God's love nothing can ultimately steal our peace. If we live we live for the Lord, if we die we die for the Lord, as St Paul wrote. (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, Denny Croll, Avril Daniels, Elizabeth Dawtry, Baby Finlay Drozd, Baby Elijah, Keith Ellison, Derek Faiers, Mervyn Francis, Dennis Freemantle, David Grennell, Amanda Gudge, Mike Hedges, 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,, Michelle Ripley, Margaret Scott, Joan Smith, Emmie Walker, Brian Weston, Maureen Weyman. Mary & Lawrie Witchell, Bridget Wyatt



**OUR CHRISTMAS FAYRE :** Put the date in your diary:

**Sat 3rd December 10am-1.30pm St John's Hall, Hythe.**

Have you taken any raffle tickets yet? Please don't leave church today without some. There are LOTS of prizes.

Remember: *'You have to be in it to win it!'*

Please, please sell as many tickets as you can as the raffle brings in a lot of money for the church.



**REMEMBRANCE throughout November** At SB's & SM's, we will be remembering all our friends and relatives who have died or who are ill. Please write the names of your loved ones on the slip provided and put it in the basket. The basket of names will be taken up in the offertory procession during Mass at each of the Sunday's in November. You may add new names each week if you wish



**Rethink Remembrance** This year, The Royal British Legion is asking the nation to *Rethink Remembrance* by recognising the sacrifices made not just by the Armed Forces of the past, but by today's generation too.

For many people, Remembrance is associated with the fallen of the First and Second World Wars. While we will always remember them, the Legion wants to raise awareness of a new generation of veterans and Service personnel that need our support. Remember to buy your poppy, or visit the British Legion Shop online, there's so much more to the poppy appeal nowadays than paper poppies.



**ADVANCE NOTICE :** A CAROL SERVICE will be taking place at St. Bernard's on Christmas Eve at 3pm. **We are looking for Readers, anyone willing to help and people to pledge cakes for the refreshments.** Children are welcome to dress up if they wish.

*If you are interested in helping in any way, or would like more information, please contact either Christine Olden on 02380 848754 or Gosia Smith on 07591 036071*



**THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED THIS WEEK**

**Tuesday 15th & Thursday 17th November.**

*If you need a priest in an emergency please ring*

*Fr Innaiah at Totton : 023 8086 2270*



**FOODBANK** Please help the Foodbank make Christmas special for those in need by donating the following Christmas items by **4th December:**

*They have enough everyday items at the moment, but really need Christmas items.*

\* Chocolate log

- \* Christmas cake,
- \* Biscuits
- \* Children's selection box
- \* Chocolates
- \* Large bars of chocolate
- \* Nibbles- peanuts, crisps etc,
- \* Christmas crackers and mince pies.



**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER 2016**

This month we are invited to join in Pope Francis' prayer intention "...*That the countries which take in a great number of displaced persons and refugees may find support for their efforts which show solidarity.*"



**THE ART OF DYING WELL** If you think about death as a journey, not just as a specific moment, it may help you understand what it means to die well. But as with any journey, you need to prepare for it.

*The Art of Dying Well* website was devised and commissioned by the Catholic Church of England and Wales. Launched on All Saints Day, it features real-life stories about the highs and lows of dealing with the final journey. There is a prayer card in the porch. Please take one. Take a look at the website [www.artofdyingwell.org](http://www.artofdyingwell.org)



Our prayers and best wishes to Bishop Crispian Hollis who will be celebrating his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday next week.

## COLLECTIONS FOR NOVEMBER

**The collection for Bamenda** was £ 217.24 Thank you for your generosity.  
**NEXT WEEK END 20th November :** Collection for church flowers

## PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- + During November we remember all those who have died.
- + We remember their kind deeds, the things they did for us and for other people; we remember how we loved them and how they loved us, and we pray we will be united with them again on the last day.
- + We also pray for those who have died that we never knew.
- + We pray for those who have died for our freedom,
- + We pray for all those who have died alone with no one to remember or pray for them.
- + By remembering those who were loved, they are never really gone from us.

*Eternal rest grant unto them o Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen,*

**Extract from A Litany of Remembrance and Salvation**

Merciful Father-God of Witness and Memory - Vindicator of the Poor - Spirit Bearing Justice Let us remember this day *all* people who have been killed in wars, both those in the armed forces killed in the line of duty, the civilians and those :

- + tortured in jails
- + disappeared in the night
- + starved for food
- + subjected to oppression
- + driven from their homes,
- + unlawfully imprisoned,
- + denied religious liberty
- + excluded from economic opportunity
- + marginalized by poverty
- + targeted by racial and cultural prejudices
- + silenced by violence and injustice

**R/We will not forget**

May we hear and remember the tragedy, joy, despair, and hope of the voices that call to us and to history for justice, reconciliation, and peace. Lord in your Mercy -**Hear our Prayer**

## WHAT'S ON ?



**QUIZ NIGHT AND AMERICAN SUPPER SB'S**

**THIS SATURDAY 7pm** Hosted by Dave King. Please bring a plate of food to share on the night and your own drinks. Teas and coffees will be provided Tickets £4 on sale after Mass.

