

WATERSIDE CATHOLIC PARISH

Part of the New Forest Pastoral Area

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The Gospel of Luke – The Gospel of Mercy
20th Sunday of Ordinary Time 14th-20th August 2016
Year C, Weekdays Year 2 Psalter week 4

MASS TIMES

THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY

9.00am

Mass SB

11.00am

Mass SM



Anniversaries this week: Anne Wyatt (15th), Elzbieta (Liz) Flaherty (15th), Michael Mc Donnell (16th), Brian Stanfield (19th), William Fitzpatrick (19th), John Digby (19th), Penny Smith (19th), Flo Warrilow (20th)

Remembering those who have died recently: Sue Knell
Mass intentions: Elzbieta Flaherty RIP 11am SM's

DUE TO FR VINCENT'S ILLNESS, THERE WILL BE NO WEEK-DAY MASS OR SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE.

If you need the Sacrament of Reconciliation please contact

Fr Innaiah at Totton parish 023 8086 2270 or
Fr David at Lymington parish 01590 676696
for times of Reconciliation.

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

(BROCKENHURST, LYMINGTON, MILFORD ON SEA

Parish Priest-Rev David Adams Tel: 01590 676696

St Anne-Rhinefield Road, Brockenhurst

Our Lady of Mercy & St Joseph-High Street, Lymington,

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 Marcin Drabik :Tel: 01425 614968

Our Lady of Lourdes-Mount Avenue, New Milton

Saturday Vigil Mass: 6pm

Sunday Mass 10am

6.30pm Mass is in Polish

THE DEANERY is made up from the pastoral areas of New Forest,

Avon Stour, & Bournemouth **Dean: Fr Tom Grufferty**

THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY

Today's feast is about the turning upside-down of human expectations. It is also about our relationship with God, and it echoes the theme of last week's Gospel: 'Do not be afraid.'

The turning upside-down is a major feature of the Gospel. In Luke's Gospel, this episode follows immediately after the Annunciation. Mary has just consented to becoming the mother of the Son of God. The whole of God's plan for salvation history now rests on her. She is pregnant, and her unborn child bears all hope for the future of humanity. Common sense might dictate that it would be best to stay at home, to rest, to take no risks. But Mary is filled with joy, with faith, and with the longing to serve. And so she doesn't put her feet up. Instead she undertakes, 'as quickly as she could', a potentially dangerous journey to visit her aged relative Elizabeth, who is also, and remarkably, pregnant.

This isn't simply to be seen as an inaugural coffee morning of the Judah branch of the National Childbirth Trust. It's a time of shared joy and wonder, and there is a real sense of the in-breaking of God's kingdom as Elizabeth is filled with the same Holy Spirit that overshadowed Mary. It's a meeting that establishes the relationship between the two unborn children – Jesus and John - which will be so important to both of them in their later lives. And it's a mark of the life of selfless, faithful service that Mary led.

It's also the occasion for a remarkable outpouring of faith. Mary's Magnificat is a radical, revolutionary hymn to the love of God for his people, a love that reveals itself in the over-turning of human expectations. Mary's description of herself as God's 'lowly handmaid' aligns her with the poor of Israel, the anawim, those who are overlooked and oppressed by human society. They may experience suffering and persecution (like the woman in today's first reading, a symbol of the people of God), but they know God's special favour.

Mary's song, filled with scriptural imagery, begins on a personal note but soon moves to a wider perspective. God's action in Mary's life is the model of how God works in the world. And the keynote is that God is on the side of the poor and the lowly, that God cares about injustice and inequity. God has demonstrated his love for his people in the past, and he is doing so again now through Mary. The child that she bears will live out that love in the world, and will call his followers to do the same. So we are called today to be numbered, like Mary, among the lowly, God's faithful people.

With that calling goes the promise, once again, that the Lord will be with us. And that God wants us not only to be working with him in this world, but to be with him in eternity. The Assumption demonstrates God's love for his people, and that we too, as Paul tells us, are given the promise of resurrection to eternal life. Christ will overthrow all human power and authority, and in so doing will fulfil the vision of the Magnificat. 'The last of the enemies to be destroyed is death', and so God's plan for humankind will finally be fulfilled. We are given a foretaste of that fulfilment in Mary's assumption. Where Mary has gone, we can confidently hope to follow.

(From Priests and People by Fr. Peter Edwards)

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please keep in your prayers: Violetta Baddour, David Bazley, Janice Bird, Nigel Bolton, Russell Bowlds, Philomena Breen, Kitty Burroughs, Marion Butler, Denise Calder, Nick Candrl, Fr Vincent Convery, Kathryn Cox, Avril Daniels, Kathleen Dowds, Baby Finlay Drozdz, Kathy 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, 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
If you wish someone to be included for prayers here, or if the person being prayed for is now well & you would like their name removed, speak to Deacons Ian or Steve, or Linda via the Parish office.



WHAT TO DO IF YOU SEE A MAINTENANCE/HEALTH & SAFETY PROBLEM IN SB'S OR SM'S

The Diocese is tightening up on Fire safety and Health & Safety in our parishes. More to come on these issues over the coming months. In the meantime if you see anything which needs replacing or repairing please let either our Deacons, Wayne Culver or Linda in the parish office know a.s.a.p. Please do not attempt to fix it yourself as we have procedures in place to deal with any problems which may occur.

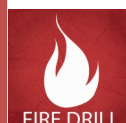


ST BERNARD, Abbot, Doctor of the church
20th August



EXAM RESULTS Remember to pray for the youth or our parish who are expecting exam results
A Level results, on 18th August -and G.C.S.E. results on 25th August

We pray that whatever the results bring, our children will be able to see the bigger picture, and know that whatever they are destined to do next is part of God's plan.



RESULTS OF THE FIRE DRILL My apologies for disrupting the Mass last weekend In order to carry out the fire drill. That is one Homily you won't forget in a hurry!

We have learnt a great deal from the exercise and it has focussed the minds of us all.

Thank you to all those who volunteered to be Fire Wardens.

The training will be in October. We are waiting for confirmation of the date. It will take 2 hours. You are asked to attend even if you are qualified as a Fire Warden in your place of work.

If anyone else would like to be a Fire Warden please contact Linda in the parish office.

Linda will now fill in the 'Incident activity form' for the Diocesan Fire Officer and we will progress from there. Clearly the fire exit at St Bernard's has thrown up many issues which need addressing.

Thank you to all who made constructive comments after the drill. They will be forwarded on to the Diocesan Fire Officer and any resulting comments/directives will go to the PPC for discussion and deliberation at their next meeting in September, and will also be circulated via the newsletter. In the meantime if you have any further comments to make about the fire drill please speak to Linda in the parish office. (Fr David)

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



POPE FRANCIS'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST

This month Pope Francis invites us to join in his prayer intention... " **That sports may be an opportunity for friendly encounters between peoples and may contribute to peace in the world.**"

THERE ARE NO SPECIAL COLLECTIONS DURING AUGUST

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- +The Pope's prayer intention for peace in the world through sport
- +All our young people who are awaiting exam results
- +All priests within the Diocese preparing to move to new parishes at this time and for those who are retiring.
- +Sick clergy, especially Fr Vincent, and lay faithful of the Diocese.
- +The recently departed, especially as a result of warfare, violence, terrorism and persecution.
- +Peace in the world and for those who govern the nations that they may do so wisely and justly.
- +All those named after St Bernard
- +Philomena Gallagher (Birthday 15th August)
- +Carmel & Aidan Mc Clatchey's Wedding Anniversary (14th)

WHAT'S ON ?



THE AUTHORISED COPY OF THE RELIC OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE which resides in Northampton Diocese (consecrated and commissioned by St Pope John Paul II), has arrived at **St Edmund's parish, Southampton. And will be there until 17th August.**

Come along for some of the events, or all of the events. Pop in to Mass, or devotions, or simply to say your own personal prayers.

Monday 15th: 'Healing': Mass at 10am followed by talk and rosary; Eucharistic Devotions at 4pm

'Healing Ministries Service' from 5pm;

Syro-Malabar Mass at 7pm followed by talk and rosary

Tuesday 16th: 'Conversion': Mass at 10am followed by talk and rosary; Bishop Philip joining us at 4pm for Eucharistic Devotions; Mass at 7pm followed by talk and rosary.

Wednesday 17th 'Mary as Mother': Mass at 10am followed by talk and rosary;

Eucharistic Devotions at 4pm;

Mass at 7pm followed by 'The Return' of the Relic Image.

All the above takes place in St Edmund's Church



SUMMER FUN for everyone at Lepe Country Park.

See poster in the porch.

If you are enjoying being in or near the water at Lepe, please take care as there are some strong currents in that area that can sweep a person or a dog away in minutes.



PAUSE FOR PRAYER No Pause for Prayer during August.

The next one will be 27th Sept. 10-11am St Michael's, Hythe
All welcome for quiet scripture, prayer & reflection.



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