

WATERSIDE CATHOLIC PARISH

Part of the New Forest Pastoral Area

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The Gospel of Luke– The Gospel of Mercy

21st Sunday of Ordinary Time 21st-27th August 2016
Year C, Weekdays Year 2 Psalter week 1
MASS TIMES

9.00am **Mass SB**
11.00am **Mass SM**

Anniversaries this week: Margaret Ashton (23rd), Molly
Bowler (24th), James Barnard (25th), Betty Powell (26th),
Martin Regan (27th)

Remembering those who have died recently: Sue Knell,
Nick Candrl

Mass intentions:
Ingrid Badger RIP 9.30am Tuesday 23rd August Lymington
parish,
Peter Fay 9.30 am Friday 26th August, Lymington parish

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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

(BROCKENHURST, LYMINGTON, MILFORD ON SEA

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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 10 am

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**

Queuing for tickets for a big football match (in the days when tickets were sold 'on the gate') could be a tricky business. It seemed to be a matter of luck which turnstile was operating the quickest. And if the neighbouring turnstile suddenly ran out of tickets, you would have to be pretty nimble on your feet and determined, to keep your place in the queue and to be able finally to take your place in the stand.

'Will there be only a few saved?' Jesus is asked. The question was the subject of much discussion among religious groups of his day. The scrolls from Qumran have revealed the thoughts of contemporary sects who believed that they alone would know

salvation. There was a tendency to divide people into 'us and them', and to condemn all outsiders to damnation and destruction. It is a tendency that is still at large today, as we see all too sadly in the deep-rooted religious and political conflicts that seem to drag on without end.

It makes life easier, more comfortable, if we divide the world into 'us and them'. It enables us to know who we are, and also to identify our enemies. Inclusiveness, as we can observe in the political life of our own society, is not usually a popular policy. If we're open to outsiders, to 'them', then we fear that it means there may be less for 'us'. And not many people are willing to vote for that. We prefer to put up barriers to protect what is ours.

Isaiah's vision is the opposite. The prophet foretells the gathering of the nations, and the opening of God's kingdom to the outsiders, the Gentiles. An exotic procession to Jerusalem is depicted. And, more than that, 'some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord'. The priesthood will be opened to those from previously excluded categories. Such a thing had never been heard of!

Jesus, doesn't actually answer the question directly. Unlike some of the sects, he is not interested in numbers. Instead he speaks of a narrow door, and goes on to tell a parable. The implication is that salvation is not restricted by number, neither is it restricted to any nation, race or human grouping. The vision of Isaiah is echoed in Jesus' description of the eschatological banquet, 'the feast in the kingdom of God', being open to those from every corner of the world. This could mean that some unlikely, unsavoury characters (in the eyes of the devout religious faithful) would be admitted. Even more tellingly, the parable recounts the astonishment at their own exclusion of some of those who had simply assumed that it was their right to be admitted.

What of the narrow door? And how does this fit with the vision that God's desire is for all people to be saved? As St. Augustine said, we should pray as if everything depended totally on God, and act as though it depended totally on us. Perhaps we should return to the image of that turnstile. Unlike the football stadium, there is no restriction on the numbers who can be admitted. But to get there may take courage, determination and patience. So 'hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees'. And even to begin, we have to be willing to take our place in the throng, and to accept that we can't choose who happens to be standing next to us (or in front of us!) in the queue.

(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, Fr Vincent Convery, Kathryn Cox, Avril Daniels, Kathleen Dowds, 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, Niamh Mulherne, Maureen Mullen, Tony O'Connell, Anne O Connor, Elsa Poole, Pam Power, 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.

SAD NEWS It is with great sadness that I have to announce the death of **ZELJKO 'NICK' CANDRL** who passed away on 13th August. May he rest in peace. Please keep Nick's family in your prayers. Nick's Requiem Mass will be at SM's on **Wednesday 31st August at 12.30pm**, followed by Cremation at Wessex Vale Crematorium at 4pm.



FR VINCENT moved this week for further re-hab. For those who like to keep in touch the address is :
Glenside hospital, 82 Albert Road, Farnborough Hants GU14 6SL

THE HOSPITAL HAS REQUESTED THAT HE HAS NO VISITORS FOR AT LEAST 2 WEEKS. Please do not ring the hospital to ask how he is, but by all means send a card or letter if you wish.



TOILET TWINNING You may have seen a certificate in the new loo at SM's for a twinned toilet in Uganda. ! This has been funded by a parishioner who wishes to remain anonymous.

Toilet twinning funds the work of *Tearfund* partners globally to provide people in the poorest communities on the planet with a decent toilet, clean water and all the information they need to stay healthy. It's the key to helping whole communities break free of the poverty trap. How does it work? For just £60, you can twin your loo at home or your place of work with a latrine halfway around the world, in a country of your choosing. Your smallest room becomes the proud owner of a personalised certificate, complete with a colour photo of its twin and GPS coordinates so you can look up your twin on Google Maps.

Your donation is used by *Tearfund* to provide clean water, basic sanitation, and hygiene education. This vital combination works together to prevent the spread of disease. Children are healthier, and able to go to school; parents are well enough to work their land and grow enough food to feed their family. With better health, and more ability to earn a living, men and women discover the potential that lies within them to bring transformation.

Family by family, community by community, nation by nation, we are flushing away poverty.

There are leaflets in the porch if you're interested.



EXAM RESULTS Remember to pray for the youth or our parish who are expecting G.C.S.E. exam 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.



NEXT Sunday, during the 11am Mass at SM's, we welcome **Korie Efyra Adjeiwaa Adu-Aboagye** who will be baptised into our parish community.



FIRE WARDENS WANTED for SB's and SM's. Thank you to those who have volunteered so far. Training will be for 2 hrs in October date tbc. *Please contact Linda at Parish office with your contact details.*

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



POPE FRANCIS'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST

It is important that those involved at the various levels of sports promote human and religious values which form the foundation of a just and fraternal society. This is possible because the language of sports is universal; it extends across borders, language, race, religion and ideology; it possesses the capacity to unite people, by fostering dialogue and acceptance. This is a very valuable resource!
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.**"



In the Diocese we have recently experienced two unexpected deaths within school communities; a teacher and a pupil. Please keep them and their families and friends in your prayers and pray for them in your parishes.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Carmen Lopez, teacher at St George Catholic College, Southampton, who recently passed away unexpectedly. Please also pray for her family and the St George College community who are all devastated by the loss of a dear teacher, colleague and friend.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of 11-year-old Imogen Mead, a pupil of St John's Cathedral Primary School, Portsmouth, who died recently after contracting meningitis. Please pray for her family, friends and school community who mourn her passing.
(Deacon Craig Aburn : Executive Assistant to the Bishop of Portsmouth)

THERE ARE NO SPECIAL COLLECTIONS DURING AUGUST

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- +All those going on pilgrimage to Lourdes this month
- +All our young people who are awaiting exam results
- +Carmen Lopez & Imogen Mead- see above.
- +The family and friends of Nock Candrl
- +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 warfare, violence, terrorism and persecution.
- +Peace in the world and for those who govern the nations that they may do so wisely and justly.
- +Irene Francis who has a 'significant birthday' on the 24th
- +Mike & Mary Newland -wedding anniversary on 22nd
- +Alan Lawes- birthday on 27th

WHAT'S ON ?



CAFOD invites all parishioners to their next Supporters Meeting on **10 September** at St Bede's Catholic Primary School in

Basingstoke. Learn how your donations are spent and details of Cafod's future plans. Details on poster in the porch or call Louise on 80898213.



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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