

WATERSIDE CATHOLIC PARISH

Part of the New Forest Pastoral Area

St Michaels Church, (SM) Langdown Lawn, Hythe SO45 5GR
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The Gospel of Luke- The Gospel of Mercy

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time 24th July 2016

Year C, Weekdays Year 2 Psalter week 1

MASS TIMES

9.00am Mass SB
11.00am Mass SM

Anniversaries this week: John Cocker (24th), Rosalind Adams (26th), Margaret Stapleton (26th), Winifred Lis (27th), Rafaela Ovalle (29th), Terry Houlihan (30th)

Remembering those who have died recently: Anna Hayes, Philip Gray, Theresa Chainey, Patrick O'Doherty, Susan Knell

Mass intentions: John Cocker RIP Anniversary 11am SM's

**Due to Fr Vincent's illness there will be
NO WEEKDAY 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.

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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 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 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**

THE OUTSIDE AND THE INSIDE OF PRAYER

Our prayer must have an outside and an inside! What does that mean? First of all, it means it must express a concern and love for humanity in general. Secondly it must express the desire and longings of our own hearts. Prayer is about expressing and receiving God's love for all and God's love for you and me personally and individually.

The Outside of Prayer: Our duty and our privilege as Christians baptised into the priestly identity of Jesus (who is Prophet, Priest & King) is to share in the priestly prayer of Jesus for the salvation of all. The story of Abraham and his bargaining with God on behalf of the few just people left in Sodom and Gomorrah articulates the contradictions that confront our innate sense of justice - Surely the just are not going to be punished along with the sinners!! This is a mystery that touches the central nerve of God's people. It is worthwhile discovering how, again and again, the Bible returns to this "ache" - in Moses, in the prophets, in the Psalms, in Job and finally in Jesus. Slowly, painfully, the tender love of God for both saint and sinner is discovered. We must persevere in the priestly prayer of Jesus. It is not about us, about me or our little needs, its about everything and everyone. We must persevere in this prayer until our eyes have been cleansed and our hearts purified so that we can see and know and believe that all is in Christ and all are in Christ. God looks upon us and sees us as one with the Just One, the Holy One. Accepting that undeserved, unmerited gift and trusting in God the giver - that is faith, the faith that justifies.

The Inside of Prayer: This is very much about you and me. Am I radically loved and accepted warts and all? Is there a love that reaches and heals the other parts, the petty, the shallow, the dark and the sinful, the parts that no other created love can reach? Indeed there is - we were created in that love, we are sustained in that love and we will be forever held in that love. How come we do not experience it, or feel it? How come we are only just managing to believe it a little bit as an elusive hope (Really, is it true! Am I really loved like that?). Yet we know we should believe it, know it, experience it and feel it as the greatest certainty, the most blindingly obvious thing! Why does that love seem far away? Scripture tells us: From there (i.e. the experience of idolatry and separation) you will seek the Lord your God and you will find him when you seek him with all your heart and soul, (Deut 4:28). God is not far from us, we are far from God. We must persevere in asking, seeking, knocking because that is the way all our heart and soul is gradually gathered in to God. There is no doubt about the outcome: You will receive! You will find! You will have the door opened to you! God doesn't ask us to solve the mess first - God has already done that for you and for me and for everyone in Jesus. We need just to give ourselves to God, every part of us, good and bad, heart and soul. (DMA)

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 Candra, Fr Vincent Convery, Kathryn Cox, Avril Daniels, 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, Michelle Ripley, Joan Smith, Emmie Walker, Brian Weston, Maureen Weyman. Mary & Lawrie Wittchell, 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 **SUSAN KNELL**, wife of John who is a member of the choir at St Michael's, who passed away last weekend. May she rest in peace. Please keep John & Alex & the family in your prayers.



THANK YOU to everyone at SB's and SM's for their good wishes, cards and gifts for our Anniversary & Birthday celebrations last weekend, it was very kind and very much appreciated. (Steve & Tina Bowler)



THANKS TO Edward Read who has started painting the outside of SM's church & will also be varnishing the crucifix.



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.



GARDENER Do you know of, or do you have, a gardener who could also spend some time at SM's spraying the weeds in the car park and mowing the lawns at the back of SM's & Angel house? If so, please let me know. Gardener's are like Gold dust! I'm having real difficulty finding one.

Fr David is talking about coming over to spray the weeds in the car park himself, but is this REALLY a good use of his time? Surely someone out there can help. I have the weed killer and the sprayer. (Linda)



WORLD YOUTH DAY 25th-31st July

World Youth Day (WYD) is a worldwide encounter with the Pope which is typically celebrated every three years in a different country. This year it is in Poland.

The theme of the XXXI World Youth Day Krakow 2016 is: *'Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy'* (Mt 5:7). Our Holy Father Francis has chosen the fifth of the eight Beatitudes, given by Jesus in his Sermon on the Mount on the shores of the Sea of Galilee, to show the importance of the Beatitudes which are at the heart of Jesus' teaching. In his first Sermon, Jesus presents us with eight examples of qualities that bring us closer to the Kingdom of God.

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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 JULY This month Pope Francis invites us to join in his prayer intention for July *"...That indigenous peoples, whose identity and very existence are threatened, will be shown due respect."*



PORTSMOUTH PEOPLE Your FREE copy of this fine publication is available at the back of church. Please take a copy for yourself and a copy for those who cannot get to church.



UPDATE: WATERSIDE PARISH WITHOUT A PRIEST:

Unfortunately Bishop Philip has not been able to appoint a full-time, resident priest for Waterside parish at this time. He hopes to be able to find a priest for January 2017. For this reason Fr David will cover Waterside parish as best he can when no supply priest is available. All being well, Fr Paul Lyons (Alresford) will be able to do most week-ends from September to December. However he is not available from 30th July to 31st August. So thanks to the generous support of Mgrs Peter & Edwin, our retired priests, who will celebrate Mass at Milford & Lymington respectively, Fr David will be able to celebrate the Sunday morning Masses at Waterside 31st July- end of August.



KEEP IN TOUCH WITH NEWS from the Diocese. There is now a weekly e-news with photos, news and diocesan information. Go to www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk and add your e-mail address at the bottom of the homepage in order to receive updates.

COLLECTIONS FOR JULY

The collection for *'It's your choice'* on 17th July was £262.45. Thank you for your generosity. I rang them this week to tell them and they were overjoyed.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

"Lord, teach us to pray."

+Laura & Robin Gray as they celebrate their Wedding Anniversary
+The family and friends of Susan Knell
+Emmie Walker - 90th Birthday
+Those attending World Youth Day in Poland this week
+All those around the world left dead or injured after savage attacks

WHAT'S ON ?



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.



RETREATS 2016 'Retreats 2106' is now available with information and programmes for over 230 Christian retreat centres in the UK and beyond. There are courses, retreats with themes, individually guided retreats and just retreats for those looking for some peace. www.retreats.org.uk

Bitesize

The most valuable things in life are not measured in monetary terms. The really important things are not houses and lands, stocks and bonds, automobiles and real estate, but friendships, trust, confidence, empathy, mercy, love and faith.

Bertrand Russell V. Delong