

WATERSIDE CATHOLIC PARISH

Part of the New Forest Pastoral Area

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The Gospel of Luke- The Gospel of Mercy

31st January 2016 4th Sunday of Ordinary time

Year C, Weekdays Year 2; Psalter week 4

9.00am Mass SB

11.00am Mass SM

Monday 1st February No Mass

Tuesday 2nd February No Mass

(The Presentation of the Lord in the Temple)

Wednesday 3rd February No Mass

(St Blaise, Bishop & Martyr)

Thursday 4th February No Mass

Friday 5th February 10am MASS SM's

(St Agatha, Virgin, Martyr)

Saturday 6th February 10am MASS SM's

(St Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs)

MASS INTENTIONS 31st January- 6th February

Anniversaries this week: Sir David Price (31st), Bill Topple (1st), Roy Nicholas (4th), Brendan Kelly (5th), Mary Clare Young (6th)

Remembering those who have died recently:

Sarah Jane Morrison, John Green, Edna Haynes

Mass Intentions: Sunday 31st Jan 9am SB's Margaret & Martin Regan RIP; **11am SM's** : Sir David Price

Saturday 6th Feb 10am SM's John & Leana Keane RIP

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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**

AN UNWELCOME PROPHET

There are two ways of being a prophet. One is to tell the enslaved that they can be free. It is the difficult path of Moses. The second is to tell those who think they are free that they are in fact enslaved. This is the even more difficult path of Jesus. (Richard Rohr)

One minute they were "all wondering at the gracious words that came from his lips". The next minute they were trying to hustle him out of the synagogue and over the edge of a cliff. It is like some elements in the media who hype up an individual or a fashion or whatever, then when it suits them they start the process of tearing down. It is like being caught in the gladiator ring where the presiders have a morbid power of life and death.

Swimming around the individual and collective psyche are the undercurrents of personal and group negativity: envy, jealousy, fear, hatred, anger, violence, greed etc. Such forces once unleashed have the power to overwhelm the unwitting individual with a rush of the herd instinct. In such situations people are capable of the most sickening brutality. For this collective sickness to be healed it must first be exposed and recognized for what it is. Our great resistance to this comes from our desire to self-justify. We can't at the same time accept our dark side and regard ourselves as better or more worthy than others.

Jesus first of all encounters the negativity of jealousy and pride, which is the source of the old adage "familiarity breeds contempt". They don't accept him because they know him or think they do. He is one of them, how can he presume to teach! Jesus recognises this dynamic of negativity which, of course, completely blocks God's work. But instead of backing off he stirs it up even more! Jesus reminds them of God's graciousness to *foreigners* of all people. Well, that really brings the poison to the surface!

Nazareth has been described as a frontier town, or like the West Bank settlements in modern Israel/Palestine. The people were very conscious of their Jewish identity but also perhaps felt vulnerable. Certainly there was no love lost between themselves and the Samaritans to the south (who were "heretics" in their eyes) and the pagans of Syro-Phoenicia to the north-west (who were equally despised).

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please keep in your prayers: Freda Roche-Adams, David Bazley, Janice Bird, Nigel Bolton, Russell Bowlds, Alice Bramhill, Philomena Breen, Kitty Burroughs, Marion Butler, Denise Calder, Nick Candrl, Kathryn Cox, David Culver, Jo Culver, Baby Finlay Drozd, Baby Elijah, Keith Ellison, Derek Faiers, Derek Francis, Mervyn Francis, Ruth & Dennis Freemantle, David Grennell, Amanda Gudge, Sally Herbert, Catherine Heron, Doreen Holman, Chrissy James, Trudy King, Peggy & Michael Kirwan, Betty Marek, Susan Marlow, Sarah Marshall, Maureen Mullen, Tony O'Connell, Ann O Connor, Julie Poole, Michelle Ripley, Joan Smith, John Stevens, 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.



WATERSIDE FOOD BANK: At this time of year don't forget items for Waterside Foodbank. The Foodbank accepts any tinned or dried food as long as it is still in date. The Foodbank provides for local individuals & families in crisis across the Waterside.



THE ST. MARTHA GROUP has decided as a group to stand down to allow others to come forward to take on the challenge. **Please let Father David know, via the office, if you are interested in re-forming the social events committee: 'the St Martha group'.**



ANNA HAYES and family would like to thank everyone from the Waterside Parish for all the kind wishes, cards and the beautiful flowers she received on her 90th birthday.



OUR CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL The weekly newsletter for our Our Lady & St Joseph school is displayed on the noticeboard in the porch.



TIME FOR A CLEAR OUT? Our parish charity shop - *Faith, Hope & Charity* - can convert your unwanted gifts and clothes into cash and, in turn, give a contribution to parish funds. Post Christmas is the perfect time to set our world to rights with a serious clear-out! You can also buy your Fairtrade goods at FHC too!



ASH WEDNESDAY is next week: Wed 10th Feb
 Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the season of Lent in the Catholic Church, and many Catholics attend Mass on Ash Wednesday to be marked with ashes as a sign of their own mortality. While all Catholics are encouraged to attend Mass on Ash Wednesday in order to begin the Lenten season with the proper attitude and reflection, it is not a Holy Day of Obligation. It is, however, a day of fasting and abstinence.

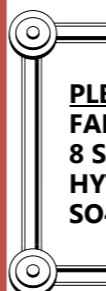
Mass on Ash Wednesday: 10am SM, 7.30pm SB



Two copies of *Laudate: Full Music Edition* are missing. If anyone has seen them please return them to Irene O'Connell at SM's. They cost £45.00 each so she is obviously keen to get them back.



The Waterside Parish is committed to supporting Fairtrade to help ensure that farmers in poor countries get a fair deal for what they produce. So please buy Fairtrade goods either from our parish shop or supermarkets.



PLEASE SUPPORT OUR PARISH SHOP:
FAITH, HOPE & CHARITY,
8 ST JOHN'S STREET,
HYTHE
SO45 6DA Tel: 02380 207882



POPE FRANCIS' : THE YEAR OF MERCY

"I think, and I say it with humility, that this is the Lord's most powerful message- mercy." (Homily: 17/3/2103)

"Let us not forget that God forgives and God forgives always,"
 Pope Francis said when announcing the year. *"Let us never tire of asking for forgiveness."*

What are the seven Corporal Works of Mercy?

- + To feed the hungry
- + to give drink to the thirsty
- + to clothe the naked
- + to harbour the homeless
- + to visit the sick
- + to visit the imprisoned
- + to bury the dead

I encourage you to carry on your work with joy and to model it after Christ's, allowing all who suffer to encounter you and to count on you in time of need. (Address, June 14, 2014)



LAUDATO SI In 2015 the Vatican released the much-anticipated encyclical by Pope Francis, *Laudato Si' - Care of our common home*. An encyclical is a letter circulated by the Pope to Catholic churches worldwide.

The encyclical *Laudato Si'* is considered part of the Catholic Social Teaching tradition. Although there are many previous statements by Popes and Bishops on the question of the environment and faith, this is the first social encyclical in the Catholic Church to address care for the environment and environmental justice in a direct and specific way. *Laudato Si'* complements what the Catechism of the Catholic Church says, which is that our responsibility as good stewards of creation is to care for our world and not 'steal' resources from future generations. Pope Francis calls us to an ecological conversion, and invites us to praise God for the gifts of creation.

COLLECTIONS FOR FEBRUARY

The collection for the Catholic Education Service (CES) was £ 174.96
 Thank you for your generosity.

CAFOD LENT FAST DAY Friday 19th February.
 Collection 21st February.
CAFOD FUND RAISING LUNCH Thursday 25th February.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

- + All those who are sick or housebound in our parish
- + The deceased Clergy of the Province
- + All those suffering as a result of flooding
- + All those going through a crisis of faith
- +

WHAT'S ON?



PPC MEETING The next meeting is **4th Feb**. If you are concerned about anything in the parish please speak to Deacons Steve (Chair of PPC) or Ian, or any other member of the PPC: Roger Daniels Brenda Ellison, Paul Flaherty, Phil Hopkins, Peter Mitchell, Christine Olden, Polly Read.



WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR LENT THIS YEAR?

You would be welcome to join Father Des for a **reflection day: 'The Call to Conversion in the Year of Mercy'** on **Saturday 13 February from 10am to 3:30pm at Saint Joseph's, 8 Lyndhurst Road, Ashurst SO40 7DU**. The day will include lunch and

will conclude with the Celebration of the Holy Mass. A donation of £18 per person would be gratefully received. If you would like to attend please contact Father Des: frdes@montfort.org.uk or 023 8029 2337.



PAUSE FOR PRAYER throughout Lent: 16th & 23rd February & March 1st, 8th & 15th. *Thanks to Christine Olden for running the Pause for Prayer group.* (Fr David)