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PARISH COLLECTION

7 July £3,301 14 July £2698

2nd Collection £791 (Sea Sunday)

Upcoming Second Collections:

15 Sept Home Mission Sunday

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Pauline Bosley, Joan Garbet,
Valerie Downey, Gerald Shakespeare,
Juliette Romeo, Liz Mason and all
those in hospital or housebound.

For those who have recently died:

Sybil Glenister, John Kelly
and for their families at this difficult time



Becoming a Moderated Parish

In a few months we will formally begin the process of joining up with 7 other parishes, from here to Rye, to become a new single Moderated Parish. This will have many challenges, but in God's grace and providence it will provide great opportunities. Everyone is invited to be part of this journey, to help us discern the priorities and opportunities for growing in our faith and Church life, and for being truly missionary as we look outwards to sharing with others the Joy of the Gospel.

Please keep all of this in your prayer
Fr Kevin

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER 21 and 28 JULY 2024

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 20 July	OLR OLR OLR	10am 10.30am 6pm	Fr David Parmiter <i>Adoration & Confessions</i> People of the Parish
Sun 21 July 16th Sunday in Ordinary time	St.G OLR St. A OLR	9am 10.15am 11.30am 5.30pm	Teresa Stogden RIP Deceased members of OLR Choir Bernard & Rita Davies RIP Delia Markham RIP
Mon 22 July	OLR	11am	Terezia Jamka
Tues 23 July	OLR OLR	7.30am 6pm	Latin Mass: Holy Souls Parish Mass for Lourdes Pilgrims
Wed 24 July	OLR	11am	Private Intention
Thurs 25 July	OLR	11am	Thomas Kutty RIP
Fri 26 July	OLR OLR	11am 6.30pm	Donald George Ashford RIP Latin Mass: Maria Florinda De Souza
Sat 27 July	OLR OLR OLR	10am 10.30am 6pm	Agnes Phipps RIP <i>Adoration & Confessions</i> Paula Duggan RIP
Sun 28 July 17th Sunday in Ordinary time	St.G OLR St.A OLR	9am 10.15am 11.30am 5.30pm	Delia Markham RIP People of the Parish Emma Moulding RIP Janusz Grebowski RIP
Mon 29 July	OLR	11am	REQUIEM MASS: John Kelly RIP
Tues 30 July	OLR	7.30am	Latin Mass: Anna Mogford RIP
Wed 31 July	OLR	11am	Joe Monaghan RIP
Thurs 1 Aug	OLR	11am	John Marshall RIP
Fri 2 Aug	OLR	11am 6.30pm	Brian Keaveny RIP No Mass

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 10.40-11.50am & 5-5.45pm (Our Lady of Ransom)

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 10.30-11am; Friday 11.30am – 6pm Benediction; Saturday 10.30am-12pm Benediction

ROSARY: Tuesdays 10.30am St G & Sunday after 9am Mass; OLR after Monday, Wednesday & Thursday Mass. **DAILY PRIVATE PRAYER:** Our Lady of Ransom Church open daily 8am – 6pm

In today's gospel (21 July) we hear these words from Our Lord to his Apostles, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'. These are timely words still today from Jesus to us his disciples as schools break up for the Summer. I hope many of you will be able to find some rest in the weeks ahead and time with Jesus. Life can be so difficult and wearing that even God at times calls us to rest. One word for rest is recreation. We can look at this as 're-creation'. That is remember who you are, why you were created and what you are made for. The world and all its trials can so easily crush us. The incessant funnelling media can waylay our minds and social media can destroy our humanity. God though has made us for something greater. Jesus, who shows us the very face of God, reveals to us our dignity as human beings. We are made to know God, to love him and serve him in this world so as to be happy with him for ever in the next. I pray that each of you may find time for rest in the weeks ahead and truly live that 'new-creation' that we are in Jesus Christ (2 Cor. 5:17-21). I pray that you may deeply live the truth that the perfect prayer, the 'Our Father' teaches us. God bless and restore you and your loved ones, Fr Bruno

TO VIEW LIVE STREAMED SUNDAY 10.15 AM AND WEKDAY MASSES GO TO: www.youtube.com/ourladyofransom.

PARISH DIARY

PLEASE NOTE – NO PRAYER GROUPS IN AUGUST

- Mon 22 July** - Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR– 4.00-5.30pm
Thurs 25 July - Mothers Prayers after 11am Mass PMR
Mon 29 July - Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR– 4.00-5.30pm

HOSPITAL MINISTRY:

Next Mass: Tuesday 30 July at 12 noon in the Hospital Chapel.
If you are in hospital or have a friend in hospital who would like a visit from a priest, please let us know.

THANK YOU TO FLOWER ARRANGERS AND CHURCH CLEANERS in our 3 churches for all you do to make them beautiful and welcoming.

OLR REPOSITORY will not be open every Sunday in August and September due to volunteer holidays. There may possibly be a Repository Table Sale end of September.

FORMS FOR OUR SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES: The Application forms for Lumen Christi (Sacrament of Confirmation) and for the Sacrament of Baptism, together with the Enquiry Forms for the First Holy Communion programme and for RCIA are now available at the back of church. Marriage enquiries should continue to be emailed to the Parish Office. Further details of Sacramental programmes will be given in the next Newsletter.

SUNDAY TEA & COFFEE 21 JULY: After the 10.15am Mass there will be sausage sarnies and the monthly money draw as usual and also a delicious cake sale. Do come and join us.

2025 – A YEAR OF JUBILEE

As a follow up to the notice in the last Newsletter, there will be a presentation to the Parish after the Summer about the Jubilee and in particular information about the four key documents from the Second Vatican Council to help us prepare spiritually for this important year of Jubilee.

SAVE THE DATES: Advance notice of some important Diocesan Events to make a note of - details to follow

1 Sept 2024 - Lourdes Pilgrimage Reunion, St Wilfrid's School, Crawley.

21 Sept 2024 - Catechists Day at Worth Abbey School.

12 Oct 2024 – Marriage Anniversaries Mass, Arundel Cathedral - Bishop Richard will celebrate Mass followed by a drinks reception. Please join us to renew your wedding vows and revel in the joy that marriage can bring. Family and friends are very welcome. To book your place please go to www.abdiocese.org.uk.

USE OF OLR CAR PARK: this is a friendly but clear reminder **NOT to double park** in the car park, blocking other cars that may need to leave before you. On Sunday mornings you can use the Town Hall car park if ours is full. Also, somebody's car was damaged recently by another car while parked in our car park and no note left!

OUR SCHOOLS

We wish all the Staff and young people at St Thomas a Becket School and St Richard's College a very happy time of relaxation and fun as they go on their summer holidays this week. May they be refreshed and renewed and receive many blessings.

ST AGNES

GRANDPARENTS MEETING: New members always welcome: 07753 613040. (4th Thurs of month at 2.30pm).

ST AGNES LUNCHES: No Thursday lunches during August.

POLISH MASS: Every 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month at 6pm.

PASTORAL & FAITH DEVELOPMENT

ROSARY FOR PEACE: is prayed every Thursday, during Exposition at OLR between 10.20 – 10.50am. Please join in.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING: Sacred Heart Chapel - Thurs after 11 Mass.

PRE-LOURDES PILGRIMAGE PARISH MASS & GATHERING

TUESDAY 23 JULY AT 6.00PM AT OLR: All those who will be going to Lourdes are invited to come together for a Mass kindly being said by Fr Kevin, which will be followed by refreshments in the Hall. It will be nice to see who we all are before we head off to Lourdes on Fri 26 July.

PETITIONS FOR LOURDES: If any parishioner would like to send a petition to Lourdes, WITHOUT MONEY, please pop it into a small envelope clearly marked "Lourdes Petition" and drop it into the Sacristy or Parish Office, **no later than Wed 24 July**. Alternatively, if anybody wants a candle lit for their intention, can they please put £5 or €5 with the intention in an envelope and we can also do that for them.

ADOREMUS SATURDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2024 (ALL DAY), ST MARY'S COLLEGE, OSCOTT:

Clergy and people from across our diocesan community are invited to join Adoremus 2024, the National Eucharistic Congress taking place at St Mary's College, Oscott, B'ham on Sat 14 September. The day will include Mass, a Eucharistic Procession, Benediction and a range of campus activities including a Carlo Acutis presentation. A coach is going to the venue leaving St Wilfrid's Catholic School, Old Horsham Road, Crawley, RH11 8PG at 6.45am, returning to Crawley around 9pm that same day. The cost is £40pp which includes parking at St Wilfrid's, travel, and event entry. A few seats are still available – Book ASAP and register via ChurchSuite, (please go to: abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/8xokz3ru).

EASTBOURNE STREET PASTORS SUPPLIES OF EMERGENCY ITEMS EXHAUSTED. CAN YOU HELP?

Due to the very changeable weather recently supplies of some of the emergency items we give to rough sleepers and other are exhausted. We urgently need additional supplies of New or Used (clean) Sleeping Bags – Blankets – Groundsheets. If you can help with any of these please contact Graeme at eastbourne@streetpastors.org.uk

CONTACTLESS PAYMENT MACHINE OLR: this machine has been out of action for a few weeks due to technical issues, which have now been resolved. Thanks for your patience!

SPECIAL THANK YOU MESSAGES RECEIVED:

CAFOD has sent grateful thanks for the massive sum of £1787.29 donated during Lent this year from our three Churches. Please see poster at the back of the Church.

FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND would like to thank all parishioners for the Easter church collection of £1,614.65, for Christians in the Holy Land. "Your donations will help us to support the most vulnerable at this very challenging time. Please continue to pray for the Holy Land and a peaceful resolution."

MASS INTENTIONS: Please note there is currently a 3 month waiting list for Mass Intentions to be said.

GIFT AID: If you wish to join the scheme to benefit the Parish, please contact Nick Price pfc.eastbourneolor@abdiocese.org.uk.

Next Newsletter: will be issued on 4 Aug. Please send any items in by 23 July. Items after this date cannot be guaranteed.