

We are concerned above all to make sure requests for Mass intentions are carried out.

At the moment we cannot have so many public Masses because we must have stewards present. So we ask your understanding that we cannot allocate a particular time or church to your intention, but we publish it in the newsletter because you can always join in prayer whatever day it is.

**OUR LADY OF RANSOM OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER** every day 10am-5pm.  
(Sunday 11am-5pm). **ST AGNES** every Saturday 10am-11am

<b>Saturday 28</b>	Dawn Day Dusk	Austin Reeve RIP (O'Brien) Joanne Sheppard RIP (Mary Sheppard) Don Hinchin RIP (Byrne)
<b>SUN 29 1st Advent</b>	<b>Readings:</b>  9.15am Dusk	<b>1. Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1. 3-8. [Psalm 79] 2. Corinthians 1:3-9 3. Mark 13:33-37</b>  People of the Parish ( <b>Live Streamed online</b> ) Meg March RIP (Mary Smillie)
<b>MON 30</b>	Dawn Day Dusk	Missio Promoters & Boxholders (Brenda Hilliam) Jacinto Neves RIP (Sonia McGuinness & family) Welfare of Desmond McKenna
<b>TUES 1 DEC</b>	Dawn Dusk	Yvonne Hazel de Souza (Colleen Terry) Sr Mary Glynn & deceased members of Glynn family
<b>WED 2</b>	Dawn 11am	Parishioners waiting for operations (Brenda Hilliam) <b>Requiem</b> Gilbert da Silva RIP [Live Streamed]
<b>THURS 3</b>	Dawn 11am Dusk	Cecilia Mafe RIP (Crunnden) <b>MASS.</b> Deceased members of the Bennell family (Bennell) Beryl Flanagan RIP (McCabe)
<b>FRI 4</b>	6.30am Dawn 11am-12. Dusk	<b>RORATE MASS</b> Mgr Barry Wymes RIP (Ramsay) Joan & Allen Doughty RIP (Samantha Keane) Adoration and Confessions . Irena Zablocki RIP (Margaret Ramsay)
<b>SAT 5</b>	10am  Day 6pm	<b>MASS and RECONCILIATION SERVICE</b> [Private Intention] Susan Carson RIP (Barbara Bernard) Bernard & Rita Davies RIP (Nikki Bell)
<b>SUN 6 2nd Advent</b>	<b>Readings:</b>  9.15am 9.30am 11.15am 11.30am 5.30pm	<b>1. Isaiah 40:1-5.9-11 [Psalm 84] 2. St Peter 3:8-14 3. Mark 1:1-8</b>  People of the Parish ( <b>Live Streamed online</b> ) <b>St Gregory's:</b> Margaret Mary Smillie RIP (Mary Smillie) <b>St Agnes:</b> Jean O'Rourke RIP (Joan Kennedy) Barbara & Raymond Rand (David & Peter Rand) Therese Collins RIP (Mick Lees)

## 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

28/29th November 2020

**THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF RANSOM**  
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**Fr Raglan Hay-Will, Parish Priest**  
**Fr Tristan Cranfield, Fr Bruno Witchalls**  
(Assistant Priests)

**ADVENT** is here. We live in the in-between period in the history of man's salvation. Christ has come to Bethlehem. This is the *first coming* and we who have received Him have been given the power to become children of God. Now we wait for his *second coming* when Christ will put all things under His feet, to reign forever.

You may have seen that humorous T-shirt slogan: "Christ is coming! Everyone, look busy!" It is fair enough to say that we are often not ready for Christ, and inclined to put off meeting Him in the flesh. But the sobering truth is that we do not know when that hour will come. Thus we must be always prepared: staying awake, praying, standing ready for the advent of the Son of Man.

But this beautiful season also reminds us that we are not just mindful of Christ's coming, but actually urge Him to hurry! Christians *hope*. They long for Christ to fulfil what He promised, to make known, as Zechariah sings, "the loving-kindness of the heart of our God who visits us like the dawn from on high. He will give light to those in darkness, those who dwell in the shadow of death." (Lk 1:78-79)

**FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND.** On **Saturday 5 December at 10am**, FHL are organizing a live cookery demonstration by zoom of a traditional Palestinian Christmas meal, prepared by the ladies at St. Martha's House, a Day Care Centre in Bethlehem, supported by FHL. Please email [peter.rand@friendsoftheholylan.org.uk](mailto:peter.rand@friendsoftheholylan.org.uk) who will send you the link to attend.

**TEMPORARY CONTACT DETAILS**  
Fr Raglan & Fr Tristan 01323 723222.  
From Wednesday 2nd Dec. the office is open for essential reasons but please ring before you come and wear a mask. 9.30am and 2.30pm -Mon-Fri or e-mail eastbourneolor@abdiocese.org.uk Parish website [ourladyofransom.org.uk](http://ourladyofransom.org.uk)  
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**SUNDAY: CHILDRENS' LITURGY, GOSPEL REFLECTION AND ACTIVITY ONLINE:** Sister Mary Rose reflects on the Gospel Reading for the First Sunday of Advent- Link: <https://youtu.be/V6QkypSRJeA>

**TUESDAY 1st Dec: 7.45pm-9pm ALPHA ONLINE!** 'Why and How Do I Pray?'

**THURSDAY 3rd Dec at 7pm CPJ Field (Haines)** invite you, and your family, to their livestreamed Annual Service of Remembrance. The service will last approximately ½ hour. Father Raglan will be taking the service with Reverend Paul Tabraham. <https://cpjfield-co-uk.zoom.us/j/3617159112pwd=U28rRUZhd3hPRFd4RE10eCtqNTk3UT09> Meeting ID: 361 715 9112 Passcode: 320723.

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**THURSDAY 3rd Dec RCIA:** We will continue as previous weeks with the session on the RCIA newsletter, but next week 10th Dec., we will hold the **Advent Service of Light** at Our Lady of Ransom, 7.30pm.

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**FRIDAY 4th Dec at 7pm: BISHOP'S CATECHESIS FOR ADVENT:** Bishop Richard's Talk John the Baptist. <https://abdiocese.org.uk/news/advent-with-bishop-richard>. Join us afterwards for **Zoom Reflection** at Zoom-link:<https://zoom.us/j/98075902816> (Meeting ID: 980 7590 2816)

**SATURDAY 5th Dec. 10am MASS Our Lady of Ransom followed by Reconciliation Service for Advent with confessions.**  
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**FUTURE EVENTS: LUMEN CHRISTI** Years 9-10 Zoom every other SUNDAY, from 7.30-8.30 To join:[nickwoodall@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:nickwoodall@hotmail.co.uk)  
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**MASSES:** With the end of lockdown measures, we are able to resume Masses, but of course keeping the same measures of social distancing, wearing masks and sadly not singing. The times will be those we have been used these last few months, please see page 4.

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**CARE FOR ANYONE WHO IS TAKEN INTO HOSPITAL OR MEDICAL UNIT.** The priests will attend at home or in hospital to administer emergency baptism, (Confession, 723222) and request. Please let us know of anyone you know who needs attendance by the Priest. Anointing. The sacraments are precious: please do not wait for the very end to call OLR (01323 723222).

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**OLR CLUB: REMINDER:** The club will finish in March 2021. Therefore will all those with a standing order please cancel it now. Cheques for Jan, Feb and March will be sent out in early January and the account will be closed in the middle of February with the residue transferred to parish funds. Thank you to all those who have supported this over the years. (*Jenny Rigamonti*).

## CHRISTMAS MASSES 2020

*[Please note that due to Covid 19, this year booking is ESSENTIAL to ensure a place. You will note that there are extra Masses for Christmas this year].*

**Thursday 24th Dec. Christmas Eve**  
OLR 6pm 9pm Midnight  
St Agnes 6pm 8pm  
St Gregory 6pm

**Friday 25th Dec. Christmas Day**  
OLR 9.15am 11.30am  
St Agnes 8am\* 11.15am  
St Gregory 9.30am 11.00am  
\* Mass in Latin

**OUR LADY OF RANSOM BOOKING:** will be taken by Maureen Doyle and will ONLY be processed during the times she is in the parish office, i.e., Mondays 2pm – 5pm; Wednesday 2pm – 5pm and Saturdays 10am – 2pm. Bookings during those times can be made by email or phone call. 01323 723222 or [christmasolr@gmail.com](mailto:christmasolr@gmail.com) While a record of email addresses will automatically be saved, those telephoning will be asked if they wish to provide their phone number for the purposes of track and trace. If you have booked but later find you are unable to come, please let Maureen know ASAP so that the booking can be allocated to someone else. A reserve list will be kept once all masses have been booked.

**ST AGNES BOOKING:** Cheryl Wood: c-wood8@sky.com or mob.07976972010

**ST GREGORY'S BOOKING:** Nick Price: nickprice8@hotmail.com 07711243419

### BOOKING ESSENTIAL FOR ALL MASSES

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**SVP GIVING TREE 2020** in all 3 churches, OLR, St Agnes and St Gregory's. It's time to spread some happiness to four local charities this Christmas. The way in which the Giving Tree will operate this year due to Covid19 restrictions is to make a donation, (cash or cheque) to one of the following charities and place it in an envelope either in the weekly collection bucket at Mass or pop it through the Presbytery door marked SVP. Please do not make cheques payable to the SVP as we will not be able to pass your donation on to your selected charity. If you would like to donate to more than one charity please use a separate envelope for each charity. To help:-  
The sick: cheques to St Wilfrid's Hospice;  
Disadvantaged children: cheques to The Southfield Trust.  
The homeless: cheques to The Matthew 25 Mission.  
Refugees: cheques to Kings Church, (write The Sanctuary Café on back)  
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**RIP: PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL** of Colin Waters RIP; Tom McNeil RIP; Gilbert da Silva RIP, whose Requiem 2nd December at 11am [livestreamed]; Colette Cullen RIP whose Requiem is on 18th December at 12 noon OLR; Our sympathy and prayers are with their families.

**LET US FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN TAKEN ILL AND ASK FOR OUR PRAYERS:** Sybil Glenister, Miles Tracey, Bob Cadwallender, Madeleine O'Brien, Carmen Pumar, Pauline Bosley, Abina Boniface, Marie Potts, Pat Higgins, Joan Garbet, Rosanna da Sousa, Trish Ryan, Michaeline Winterbottom, Lynnette and Michael Butters, Valerie Downey, Elizabeth Dudley, Irene Ash, Irene Moir, Donald Keown and all our parishioners who are suffering at this time.