

**MASS SCHEDULE:  
OUR LADY OF RANSOM IS OPEN FROM 8AM-6PM**

**SATURDAY 21 AUGUST**

OLR	10am	Mass (Extraordinary Form)
OLR	11am	Adoration and Confessions
OLR	5pm	Confessions
OLR	6pm	Intentions of Fr Christopher Bergin (Bergin)

**SUNDAY 22  
21st ORD**      **Readings: 1. Joshua 24:1-2,15-18 [Psalm 33] 2. Ephesians 5:21-32  
3. John 6:60-69**

OLR	9.15am	People of the Parish [ <b>Live streamed</b> ]
St Gregory's	9.30am	Michael Carter (Carter)
St Agnes	11.15am	Bryan Barrow RIP (Moulding)
OLR	11.30am	Doreen Wardale RIP (Marolf) <b>First Holy Communion:</b> Maya Southall and Daniel Southall
OLR	5.30pm	Joan Torr (Ramsey) <b>First Holy Communion:</b> Izabella Jaskolska-Vares

**MON 23** OLR      11am      Repose of the soul of Ann Simkins (Doreen Bergin)

St Agnes      12.30pm      Requiem Mass: Derek Moorton RIP

**TUES 24** OLR      7.30am      Mass (Extraordinary Form) Fr David Parmiter (Rosanna de Souza)

St Gregory's      10.30am      The Rosary

**WED 25** OLR      11am      Nicky Risi (Fusciardi family)

**THURS 26** OLR      11am      Denis Shields RIP (Jean Lloyd)

**FRI 27** OLR      11am      In thanksgiving: Teresa & Jack O'Brien

**SAT 28** OLR      10am      Mass (Extraordinary Form)

OLR      11am      Adoration and Confessions

OLR      5pm      Confessions

OLR      6pm      Gonny Naoum RIP (Guchman)

**SUN 29 AUG  
22nd ORD**      **Readings: 1. Deuteronomy 4: 1-2,6-8 [Psalm 14]  
2. St.James 1:17-18,21-22,27  
3. Mark 7;1-8, 14-15, 21-23**

OLR      9.15am      People of the Parish [**Live streamed**]

St Gregory's:      9.30am      Brian Barrow RIP (Jean Lloyd)

St Agnes      11.15am      Agnes Phipps recovery from illness (Gina Moulding)

OLR      11.30am      Terry Geaney RIP . **Confirmation:** Elysia Hough;  
William Buchanan

OLR      5.30pm      Brian Phipps RIP

21/22nd August 2021

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**Fr Raglan Hay-Will, Parish Priest**

**Fr Tristan Cranfield, Fr Bruno Witchalls (Assistant Priests)**

**Deacon Paul Scholey (retired)**

This Sunday is the last of 5 Sunday's where in the gospel we have been reading from chapter 6 of John's gospel. It is often called the chapter of 'the Bread of Life.' In it we have from the Lord Jesus himself the truth that in the Eucharist we have Jesus himself really present, in his own body and blood. Many present when Jesus said this found this intolerable language and walked away from Jesus. Jesus though did not call them back. He could not lessen the truth of what he had just said and of the gift he was to leave to the Church in the Mass. He even asks the Twelve, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' Simon Peter answered in these poignant words, 'Lord, to whom shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'

The gift of the Mass – the greatest treasure we have – has accompanied the Church since then giving her and the faithful countless graces. An often-remembered episode happened in the year 304, in Abitene, a small village in present day Tunisia. The Emperor, Diocletian, had forbidden Christians, on pain of death, from possessing the Scriptures and from gathering on Sundays to celebrate the Eucharist. However, one Sunday 49 Christians were caught in the house of an Octavius Felix celebrating the Eucharist. They were arrested and sent to trial in nearby Carthage. Asked why they had defied the imperial prohibition one of their elders said, '*Sine dominico non possumus*': that is, without the Lord's day we could not live. Without the Word of God and the Eucharist we would lack the strength and graces to face our daily problems. We could not live without the real presence of the Lord. Those 49 Christians, men, women, and children were martyred. They confirmed their faith with their own lives and today we know them to be victorious and living in the glory of the Risen Christ. Today at Mass it is always the Lord who gathers us. His word is the light for us in the darkness and confusion of the world and his real presence is the nourishment we need to face the fatigue and weariness of our journey towards the promised land of Heaven. God bless you this week. *Fr Bruno*

**PRAYER: THE ‘MEMORARE’ By St. Bernard**

‘Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy great mercy hear and answer me. Amen.’ (Mother Teresa of Calcutta was very attached to this prayer).

**THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH**

‘With the exception of our loving Mother, St. Joseph stands above all the saints’ [St Maximilian Kolbe].

‘It is true that the other saints enjoy great power in heaven, but they ask as servants, and do not command as masters. Saint Joseph, to whose authority Jesus was subject on earth, obtains what he desires from his kingly foster Son in heaven’ [St. Thomas Aquinas].

**PRAYER: THE ‘MEMORARE’ to St Joseph**

‘Remember, O Most Chaste Spouse of the Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly to you, my spiritual father, and beg your protection. O Foster Father of the Redeemer, despise not my petitions, but in your goodness hear and answer me. Amen.’

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**FR RAGLAN:** Farewell Mass: Bank Holiday Monday 30th August at 11am followed by a party in the Parish Centre and car park. Donations towards Fr. Raglan’s leaving gift can be made over the next month by cash or cheque (payable to Our Lady of Ransom) and posted through the Presbytery letterbox in an envelope CLEARLY marked: “Fr Raglan leaving present”. These donations cannot be gift aided.

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**“DEC THE HALL”** OLR Monthly money draw- it has taken a lot of (legal) work to set this up, but we are now almost there and hope to have more information for you next week.

**ANNUAL QUIZ** will be held in the Parish centre on Sat Oct 16th at 19.15. More info on obtaining tickets will be in next weeks newsletter.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.**

Dec 4th, seasonal celebration , priests Desert Island Discs, good food and fun

**TEA/COFFEE:** We are delighted to announce that teas/coffees will return to OLR on Sept 5th after 11.30 mass. The 3rd Sunday of the month will be our parish money draw (starting in Oct) plus bacon butties (starting in Sept)

**MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES MASS:** Anyone celebrating a wedding anniversary that has particular significance for them is welcome to join the annual celebration of marriage at St Joseph’s Church in Guildford. This year the celebration, with Bishop Richard, is on Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup> with Mass at 11.30. In order that we can be Covid compliant we do ask that everyone books their space via our website. Please use the following link Diocesan Marriage Anniversaries Mass and Reception (09-Oct-2021) · ChurchSuite Events or contact the Diocesan Marriage & Family Life Adviser, Katherine Bergin at [Katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:Katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk) (Places are limited to 150). We so look forward to celebrating with you!

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**ST RICHARD’S CATHOLIC COLLEGE :** If your child is approaching the period of transfer from primary to secondary schooling, very serious consideration must be given to decisions involved in the process of transition. I cordially extend an invitation to you and your child to attend an evening at **St Thomas a Becket Primary School on Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> September 2021 at 6.30pm** when I, together with members of the Leadership and Management Team, Pastoral Leader of Year Seven and SENCo shall be delighted to talk to you about St Richard’s Catholic College. **Miss D Cronin Principal.**

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**MEMORY LANE EASTBOURNE** is an Eastbourne Charity providing social activities for people with dementia and their carers. Mainly meeting in Christ the King hall we run groups such as singing/games/coffee mornings/indoor bowls/cinema screenings and lots more. If you are looking after someone with dementia and would like to meet others for mutual support and generally to have a nice afternoon, then please get in touch. Carol McHale 07800874361

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**LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN TAKEN ILL AND ASK FOR OUR PRAYERS:**

Sister Mary Rose Bracuti, Sybil Glenister, Miles Tracey, Bob Cadwallender, Pauline Bosley, Pat Higgins, Joan Garbet, Rosanna da Sousa, Trish Ryan, Martin Forte-Hyland, Valerie Downey, Roy Sleigh, Teresa Stogdon, John Lec, Peter Endean, Joyann Green, Agnes Phipps and all our parishioners who are suffering at this time.

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**RIP: PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL** of Derek Moorton RIP Requiem Mass 23rd August at 12.30pm St. Agnes; Bernard Sanderson RIP Requiem Mass 2nd September at 1.30pm Our Lady of Ransom. Our sympathy and prayers are with their families.

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**LIVE STREAMED MASSES ON YOU TUBE:** [www.youtube.com/OurLadyofRansom](http://www.youtube.com/OurLadyofRansom)