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PARISH COLLECTION

1 Sept £2938; 8 Sept £2764

Forthcoming Second Collections:
 15 September – Home Mission Sunday
 6 October –CAFOD Harvest Fast Day
 13 October – Prisons 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 DIED RECENTLY
 Elizabeth Farragher
 and for their families
 at this difficult time

FROM FR BRUNO:

It seems that the usual time for assistant priests in this parish is about 4 years, and so it is again now. Arriving in lockdown 4 years ago, the bishop has asked me to move, and a new priest will be appointed soon. I give thanks to God for the time he has given me to be in Eastbourne. It has been a blessing to see the faith that is lived here, the deep devotion to Mary in so many of you, and the love for Adoration and the Eucharistic Lord. We need these things in the times in which we are living, and I pray that you will hold on to them and that they will grow amongst you. With my love and prayers for each of you, may God ever bless and keep you in his care. Fr Bruno

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER – 15 and 22 SEPTEMBER 2024

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 14 Sept	OLR	10.00 am	Manuel Fernandes
	OLR	10.30 am	<i>Adoration and Confessions</i>
	OLR	6.00 pm	Don & Pam Withey RIP
Sun 15 Sept	St G	9.00 am	Valerie Bengé RIP
24th Sunday	OLR	10.15 am	People of the Parish
in Ordinary Time	St A	11.30 am	James Moulding RIP
	OLR	5.30 pm	James H-D
Mon 16 Sept	OLR	11.00 am	Delia Markham RIP
Tues 17 Sept	OLR	7.30 am	Latin Mass: Holy Souls
Wed 18 Sept	OLR	11.00 am	Co-workers of St. Mother Teresa
Thurs 19 Sept	OLR	11.00 am	Catherine & Dennis Shields
Fri 20 Sept	OLR	11.00 am	Zenanda Tomes Jimeno RIP
	OLR	6.30 pm	Latin Mass: Fiona Brady
Sat 21 Sept	OLR	10.00 am	Clare Brennan RIP
	OLR	10.30 am	<i>Adoration and Confessions</i>
	OLR	6.00 pm	Canon Michael Spelman RIP
Sun 22 Sept	St G	9.00 am	Maura & Paddy Canty RIP
25th Sunday	OLR	10.15 am	People of the Parish
in Ordinary Time	St A	11.30 am	Private Intention
	OLR	5.30 pm	James Boyle RIP
Mon 23 Sept	OLR	11.00 am	Maria Florinda de Souza RIP
Tues 24 September	OLR	7.30 am	Latin Mass: Holy Souls
Feast of Our Lady	OLR	11.00 am	The Parish & Fr Bruno's Intentions
Walsingham			
Wed 25 Sept	OLR	11.00 am	Frederick Hunter RIP
Thurs 26 Sept	OLR	11.00 am	Melanie Forrest RIP
Fri 27 Sept	OLR	11.00 am	Thomas Anscombe RIP

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 10.40-11.50 am and 5.00-5.45 pm (OLR)
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT (OLR): Mon, Wed, Thurs 10.30-11.00 am;
 Friday 11.30 am-6.00 pm Benediction; Saturday 10.30 am-12.00 noon Benediction
ROSARY: St G - Tuesdays 10.30 am, Sunday after 9.00 am Mass;
 OLR – after Monday, Wednesday and Thursday Masses
DAILY PRIVATE PRAYER: OLR open daily 8.00 am-6.00 pm
LIVE-STREAMED MASSES: www.youtube.com/ourladyofransom

HOME MISSION SUNDAY

Evangelii Gaudium Sunday is celebrated in all Catholic Parishes across the country today, 15 September. It gives opportunity to reflect on the great mandate we have been given by the Risen Lord to evangelise the whole world: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations," (Mt 28:19). In October the Synod process will have the final stage of meeting in Rome, and we pray with Pope Francis that the Holy Spirit will guide the outcomes and commitments that God most wants for His Church. In our own Diocese we are actively preparing to become 11 new large Parishes that will give us opportunities to look with fresh eyes at all our resources and how we can best reach out to share the Good News. Our own "joining up" will begin formally in November!

A final piece of news is that Fr Bruno, after 4 years here in Eastbourne, will be moving at the end of this month to new responsibilities. We give thanks for his kind and faithful service to the Parish and keep him very much in our prayers. Another priest will be appointed here to Eastbourne soon. God Bless, Fr Kevin

A WARM WELCOME to all who join us for Mass, especially to any visitors. If you are new to the Parish, you too are very welcome. Please introduce yourself to the priest after Mass so that we can properly welcome you!

PARISH DIARY

Mon 16 Sep – Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR, 4.00-5.30pm
Wed 18 Sep – Co-workers of Mother Theresa – PMR, after 11am Mass
Sat 21 Sep – Diocesan Catechists Day, Worth Abbey School, 11.00am-4pm
Mon 23 Sep - Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR, 4.00-5.30pm
Tues 24 Sep – Hospital Mass, EDGH, 12 noon in the Chapel
Wed 25 Sep – Kairos Restart, OLR Hall, 7.30-9.00 pm
Thurs 26 Sep – Mothers’ Prayers – PMR, after 11.00 am Mass

HOSPITAL MINISTRY

NEXT MASS: Tuesday 24 September, 12.00 noon in the Hospital Chapel. If you are in hospital or have a friend who would like a visit from a priest, please let us know.



BISHOP RICHARD AND THE NEW PARISH MODERATORS: met on 9 & 10 September in Ladywell, Godalming to pray together, reflect, and explore the implementation of the Diocesan Pastoral Plan, *The Word Who is Life: The Call to Mission*, which focusses on the significant potential of diocesan parish communities to act as “beacons of light, not in an era of change, but in a change of era” consolidating the work already undertaken across the Diocese to place prayer, formation, and mission at the heart of our parish and school community life.

SAVE THE DATES

GRANDPARENTS FORMATION DAY: WEDNESDAY 6 NOVEMBER AT ST PHILIP HOWARD CENTRE, CRAWLEY, 11 – 3.30 pm. Led by Becky Sedgewick, author of the book *Grandparenting for Faith*. This promises to be a fulfilling and fun day filled with tips and ideas on how to engage our grandchildren and make the Gospel relevant and alive to them today. See poster at the back of the Church and book your places through the Diocesan Website. Take a packed lunch.

BLESSING OF PETS: SATURDAY 5 OCTOBER AFTER 10.00 AM MASS. We share God's creation with the animals that inhabit the skies, earth and sea. They share with us in God's Creation. Francis of Assisi (Feast Day 4 October) recognised this when he called all the animals his brothers and sisters. Remembering St Francis' love for all God's creatures, we shall invoke God's blessing upon them and thank God for letting us share the earth with all his creatures immediately after Mass. Please if you bring a pet make sure you have them fully in your charge!

TEA & COFFEE AFTER 10.15 MASS AT OLR: Please join us for tea/coffee and the monthly money draw after 10.15 mass. Sausage sarnies are cancelled for the time being.

ST AGNES

PRAYER FOR OUR PRIESTS & PARISHIONERS: Please join us praying before The Blessed Sacrament, as we go towards the new Moderated Parish. **Wed evenings in Sept & Oct, 7-8pm**
GRANDPARENTS' MEETINGS: 2nd Wednesday of the month
ST AGNES LUNCHES: 2nd Thursday of the month, 12.30 pm
POLISH MASS: Every 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month, 6.00 pm

FAITH DEVELOPMENT

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

PRAYERS FOR HEALING: Sacred Heart Chapel, Thurs after 11 Mass

NEW NATIONAL FEAST OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM: As well as the 7.30 am Latin Mass, Fr Kevin will say an extra Mass at **11.00 am on Tuesday 24 September** at OLR to celebrate this newly instituted National Feast. We also celebrate the Feast of our own Patron, Our Lady of Ransom the same day.

FEAST DAY OF ST PIO OF PIETRELCINA, 23 SEPTEMBER: At the age of 15, Francesco joined the Capuchins and took the name of Pio. Ordained in 1910 he was wounded during World War I and in 1917 was assigned to the friary in San Giovanni Rotondo. On September 20, 1918, after Mass, Padre Pio had a vision of Jesus. When the vision ended, he had the stigmata in his hands, feet, and side. Padre Pio rarely left the friary after he received the stigmata, but busloads of people soon began visiting. He heard confessions for hours every day, blessed the sick and all who came to see him. He was canonised by Pope St John Paul II on June 16, 2002. *St Pio of Pietrelcina, pray for us.*

VISIT OF POPE FRANCIS TO TIMOR LESTE: At the end of this historic visit, Cardinal Virgilio Do Carmo Da Silva joyfully stated that Pope Francis had confirmed the Timorese people in their Catholic identity and reinvigorated the faith of the young nation. He went on: “Our Catholic faith is unique”, something proved by the presence of 600,000 residents gathered for the Papal Mass. “The Pope's Visit was an opportunity to share with the world the living Catholic faith in this corner of the world. When all young people cultivate in their hearts an attitude of respect for each other it will be a big step for us and will make a difference, especially after the Pope's visit.”

OLD TOWN ECUMENICAL PRAYER WALK: Saturday 21 September Start - 10 am at Co-op, Albert Parade. Estimated finish - 12.30 at Old Town Community Centre, Central Avenue. All are welcome

OUR SCHOOLS

ST RICHARD'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE: Tuesday 17 September, presentation by Mr Paul Barber and Senior Leadership Team regarding the process of transfer from primary to secondary School. 6.30 pm at **St Thomas a Becket School, Eastbourne.**

SCHOOL FORM SIGNING:

St Richard's Catholic College - Fr Kevin will be available for St Richard's School Form signing Wednesday October 9 and 16 between 9-9.45 am in Our Lady of Ransom Hall - access via the Church car park.

St Thomas a Becket School - The only requirement is evidence of Baptism (copy of Baptism Certificate). No signature from a Priest is needed.

MASS INTENTIONS: Please note that 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 pfc.eastbourneolor@abdiocese.org.uk.

NEXT NEWSLETTER: will be issued on 29 Sept. Please send any items by 20 September. Items after this date cannot be guaranteed.