

TIMES OF CONFESSIONS

Saturdays in Our Lady of Ransom 11.30am to 12.30pm and 5.15pm to 5.45pm; at St Agnes confession is offered each Saturday after 4pm Mass and at call

Feast of Our Lady of Ransom and Walsingham

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Is 55:6-9) (Ph 1:20-24.27)

Saturday 23	4pm	St Agnes	Fr Stan Warzeszak RIP (<i>Crunden</i>)
	6pm	Our Lady of Ransom	Max Rigamonti (<i>Smiley</i>)
Sunday 24	9.15am	St Gregory's	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Our Lady of Ransom	Bernard Downey RIP (<i>Downey Family</i>)
	11.15am	St Agnes	James Moulding RIP (<i>Moulding</i>)
	3pm	Our Lady of Ransom	Rosary & Benediction
	4pm	St Agnes (Ordinariate)	Peter Moon & Brenda Fox RIP (<i>Moon</i>)
	5.30pm	Our Lady of Ransom	Saputo Family (<i>Walker</i>)

12 noon Baptism at Our Lady of Ransom of Winifred Pritchard

Monday 25	12noon	Our Lady of Ransom	Edith Canning
	7.30pm	Our Lady of Ransom (Ordinariate)	Holy Souls

Tuesday 26	9am	St Gregory's	<i>Morning Prayer and Exposition</i>
	10am	St Gregory's	Mother of Jesus (<i>Neves</i>)
	12noon	Our Lady of Ransom	The miraculous prayer (<i>Donovan</i>)

Wednesday 27	9am	St Agnes	<i>Morning Prayer and Exposition</i>
	10am	St Agnes	Private Intention (<i>Birthday</i>)
	12noon	Our Lady of Ransom	Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion

Thursday 28	7.30am	St Gregory's	NO MASS
	12noon	Our Lady of Ransom	Moses Fajo-Misa RIP (<i>Misa</i>)

Friday 29	9am	St Agnes	<i>Morning Prayer and Exposition</i>
	10am	St Agnes	David Stanley RIP (<i>Barrow Family</i>)
	12noon	Our Lady of Ransom	Joseph Soembri (<i>Windibank</i>)
	3pm	DGH	Followed by Exposition until 7pm For staff, patients and friends

Saturday 30	9am	Lewes Prison	Please pray for the prisoners, Chaplaincy and prison staff
	10am	Our Lady of Ransom	Fr Stan Warzeszak RIP (<i>Markham</i>)

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Ezk 18:25-28) (Ph 2:1-11)

Saturday 30	4pm	St Agnes	Charles, Sr Enid, Muriel, Jean & Joe RIP (<i>Olga</i>)
	6pm	Our Lady of Ransom	People of the Parish
Sunday 1	9.15am	St Gregory's	Jose Gouveia RIP
	10.30am	Our Lady of Ransom	Mareo da Costa RIP (<i>Da Silva</i>)
	11.15am	St Agnes	David Stanley RIP (<i>William</i>)
	3pm	Our Lady of Ransom	Rosary, Sermon & Benediction
	4pm	St Agnes (Ordinariate)	Graham & Sharon 34th Wedding Anniversary
	5.30pm	Our Lady of Ransom	Mary Rice RIP (<i>Davidson</i>)

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**SEPTEMBER
23rd/24th 2017**

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THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF RANSOM St GREGORY AND St AGNES

Fr Raglan Hay-Will, Fr Gerard Hatton

Fr Neil Chatfield, Deacon Paul Scholey

At first glance this seems to be a really unfair parable, particularly with our modern ideas of worker's rights and union rules. Two people getting the same pay when one has worked all day and the other worked only one hour, that surely can't be right. But a contract is a contract and those workers whom the landowner hired first agreed to a rate of one denarius a day. To the next lot of labourers he promised 'a fair wage' and so on down the line. Imagine then the irritation of those who have laboured all day, have to stand and wait while everyone else gets paid ahead of them—and then find they are all being paid the same. No wonder they grumbled. What they didn't grasp was that the landowner was being both generous and fair. He was honouring the agreements he had made, he had not misled anyone.

So it is with us and our relationship to the Father. We may come when he first calls, or we may hang about in the market place until, late in the day, we realise that we had better answer or, metaphorically, we will earn no money that day at all. In other words we will be spiritually poor, we will not have laboured in the vineyard of the Lord, we will not have entered into an agreement with him, we will have well and truly missed out and his generosity, his love, will never touch us. The landowner went constantly to the market place, just as the Father constantly calls to us. Let's make sure we hear him and respond.

Fr Raglan will be away on holiday from September 26th to October 11th.

THIS WEEKEND The 24th is the **Feast of Our Lady of Ransom and of Walsingham**. The Masses at Our Lady of Ransom and of the Ordinariate will therefore have different readings and prayers and we have special Mass leaflets for them.

Bacon Butties, tea and coffee in aid of Parish Funds after 10.30am Mass

COMING WEEK

Monday 25th 7pm for 7.30pm. *The Deacon and the Servant Church*. A talk by Rev Simon Kirkdale, Deacon in Bexhill Parish organised by the Newman Association at Christ the King Parish Rooms BN23 6HT. All welcome. Contact either Alex 07957 632208 or Edward 01424 219788 for more information.

Tuesday 26th 6.30pm if your child is approaching the period of transfer from primary to secondary schooling you are invited to attend, with your child, an evening at St Thomas a Becket Primary School when the staff of **St Richard's Catholic College** will be delighted to talk to you.

Thursday 28th 8pm in the Parish Centre. **RCIA programme**. All those interested in the Catholic Faith are welcome. This week's topic is *Jesus*. The speaker is John Kimberley.

Friday 29th from 9am-12noon **Macmillan Big Coffee Morning** at St Agnes. Please leave donations of cakes at St Agnes. **Donations for the raffle are needed**. Please leave at Reception in the Parish Office.

Saturday 30th 7pm in St Agnes Hall, Polyphony Ensemble singing a concert of Sacred and Secular music to raise funds for St Agnes. A raffle, refreshments and collection on the night.

FUTURE EVENTS

Sunday October 1st at 3pm there will be a Requiem Mass for Cardinal Cormac in Arundel Cathedral. Anyone wishing to attend is asked to give their name in to the Parish Office as the Cathedral need to have an idea of numbers attending.

Tuesday October 3rd 6pm-8.30pm The Governors, Principal and Staff of **St Richard's Catholic College** welcome you to an **OPEN EVENING**. After a welcoming address by the Principal, Miss Cronin, do visit all parts of the college, talk with staff and observe pupils involved in a selection of activities. Refreshments will be served.

REGULAR PRAYER GROUPS

Everyone is welcome to join them

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP

Every second Monday 4pm to 5.30pm
Parish Centre. Contact Susan 732725

MOTHERS PRAYERS

First and third Tuesdays each month Parish
Centre. Contact Teresa 733487 or Mary
732907

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP

first Tuesday of every month 7:30pm Parish
Centre.

WEDNESDAY PRAYER GROUP

7:30pm Parish Centre

ST GREGORY'S

Every Thursday at 10.00am

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT in Our Lady of Ransom

Every First Thursday for 1 hour after 12 noon
Mass to pray for our priests and for vocations.

Every Friday from 12.30 to 7pm.

Friday October 13th 7.30 All parishioners are invited to attend Holy Mass and Procession in St Agnes Church to honour the 100th anniversary of the 6th and final apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary at Fatima, Portugal. (She did appear again in 1920 to Lucia alone). All Portuguese parishioners are invited to assist with this event. Contact Geny on 01323 730228/ 07918527989

Saturday October 14th 6.45 for 7:15pm **REDSHIRTS ANNUAL QUIZ NIGHT** in the Parish Centre. Tickets £6 each, teams of 6 or just come along and join a team on the night. Licensed bar. Tickets on sale after Mass or from the Parish Office. A big thank you to the kind people who have already given bottles for our raffles; all donations greatly appreciated.

ST GREGORY'S ROOF: Starting on Monday September 25th full scaffolding will be erected. This will take two weeks and the roof work will start on Monday October 9th. Subject to the weather it is hoped to complete by Christmas. **PLEASE NOTE: PARKING IN THE CAR PARK WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR SAFETY REASONS.**

A BIG THANK YOU FROM THE CUBS AND SCOUTS to everyone who gave their Sainsbury's Active Vouchers. They have been able to get a new indoor hockey set, a new dodge ball, a storage bag and some much needed plastic cups and bowls. All will be well used and appreciated.

SCHOOL REFERENCES FOR ST THOMAS A BECKET AND ST RICHARDS will be signed on Tuesday October 24th at 6.30pm and on Thursday November 2nd from 9.30am-12 noon in the Parish Centre.

CONGRATULATIONS to Gina Moulding who has won *The Herald's* Women in Uniform award.

STUDENTS WELCOME! We are pleased to see new faces in Eastbourne including those arriving to begin their university courses. Do please say "hello" after Mass to one of the priests, Fr Raglan, Fr Gerard and Fr Neil, and Deacon Paul.

IN MEMORIAM: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Teresa Bondolfi. Our sympathy and prayers are with her family.

CONFIRMATION 2018: The confirmation application forms and timetable are available at the back of the churches. The deadline for receiving completed form is the end of November 2017.

AN APPEAL FROM ST GREGORY'S: They are really short of volunteers to join the rota for coffee, welcoming and, especially, cleaning the Church. Please contact Alison on 644363/07732714486 if you can help.

LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN TAKEN ILL AND NEED OUR PRAYERS, especially Dave Fox-Dossett, Anita da Castro, Poula Da Silva, Gerald Shakespeare, Patricia Ryan, Eileen Burt, Elisabeth Cullen, Judith Morrison, Carole Tidy, Pamela Turner, Joan Garbet, Ron Wallace, and Rose McKie, for our parishioners who are suffering at this time, and for their carers. Please let us know if someone is taken ill or into hospital and also when they return home.

COLLECTIONS

There is a retiring collection this weekend for the SVP.

Our Lady of Ransom & St Gregory's £2121.60
CAFOD £22.69 St Agnes £519.11 CAFOD £20.00

Thank you for your generosity

Advisory booklets on bequests to the Parish are available from the back of the churches. Please do not insert any other literature into the leaflet dispenser in the narthex.