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PARISH COLLECTION

15 Sep £2760; 22 Sep £2724

Forthcoming Second Collections:

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

Lucrezia Civitá and Caryll Loftus
and for their families
at this difficult time



WEEKLY HOLY HOUR FOR OUR NEW PARISH

Every Thursday from 10-11 am, **beginning 3 October**, at Our Lady of Ransom, followed by Mass. Before the Blessed Sacrament, with times of quiet music, we will pray together each week asking the Holy Spirit's guidance as we journey together to become a single New Parish. The hour will include a Rosary for Peace in our communities and the world. To join this time of prayer please go to: <http://ourladyofransom.org.uk> and click on the **YouTube** live stream icon. The Holy Hour is saved as a recording so you can participate at a later time of the day via the same link.

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER – 29 SEPTEMBER and 6 OCTOBER 2024

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 28 Sept	OLR	10.00 am	Finn Seaman, for well-being
	OLR	10.30 am	<i>Adoration and Confessions</i>
	OLR	6.00 pm	Philip Sommers RIP
Sun 29 Sept	St G	9.00 am	Patricia Smith RIP
26th Sunday	OLR	10.15 am	People of the Parish
in Ordinary Time	St A	11.30 am	Michael Hilliam
	OLR	5.30 pm	Gill Lee
Mon 30 Sept	OLR	11.00 am	Paula Woof RIP
Tues 1 Oct	OLR	11.00 am	NO MASS
Wed 2 Oct	OLR	11.00 am	Sybil Glenister RIP
Thurs 3 Oct	OLR	11.00 am	REQUIEM: Elizabeth Farragher RIP
Fri 4 Oct	OLR	11.00 am	Moises Misa RIP
Sat 5 Oct	OLR	10.00 am	Kaya Alderson RIP
	OLR	10.30 am	<i>Adoration and Confessions</i>
	OLR	6.00 pm	John Neville RIP
Sun 6 Oct	St G	9.00 am	Michael Duffy RIP
27th Sunday	OLR	10.15 am	People of the Parish
In Ordinary Time	St A	11.30 am	Armanda Gouveia RIP, Luis Ferreira RIP
	OLR	5.30 pm	Agnes Singleton RIP
Mon 7 Oct	OLR	11.00 am	James and Mary Callaghan RIP
Tues 8 Oct	OLR	11.00 am	NO MASS
Wed 9 Oct	OLR	11.00 am	REQUIEM: Caryll Loftus RIP
Thurs 10 Oct	OLR	11.00 am	Repose of the Soul of Angela Guinan RIP
Fri 11 Oct	OLR	11.00 am	Lena Doherty

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 10.30-11.00 am;

Friday 11.30 am-6.00 pm Benediction; Saturday 10.30 am-12.00 noon Benediction

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 10.40-11.50 am and 5.00-5.45 pm (OLR)

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

SOLIDARITY WITH MIGRANTS – WE ARE ALL PILGRIMS

This Sunday marks the 110th World Day of Migrants and Refugees. Sadly, we all too often hear these brothers and sisters of ours being spoken of with minimal compassion. We are all pilgrims, “aliens in a foreign land” as St Paul describes us, on our journey towards the life of the Kingdom. Pope Francis in his letter for today says “*Many migrants experience God as their traveling companion, guide and anchor. They entrust themselves to him before setting out and seek him in times of need. In him, they find consolation in moments of discouragement. Thanks to him, there are good Samaritans along the way. In prayer, they confide their hopes to him*”. May we be to them those “good Samaritans” so needed and deserved. Pope Francis also links this theme to the Synod, reaching its final stage in these coming weeks. Let us pray for the Holy Spirit to bring out all the fruits God wants for the Church. We can also link our own very local journey of many communities joining to form a single new Parish in the coming months! All pilgrims together, sharing our hopes, struggles and joys, confident in the Lord's love and care. 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 30 Sep – Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR, 4.00-5.30pm
Thurs 3 Oct – Mothers' Prayers Group, PMR, after 11.00 Mass
Fri 4 Oct – CAFOD Harvest Lunch, OLR Hall, 11.45
Sat 5 Oct – First Holy Communion Class, OLR Hall, 9.00-10.30
Sat 5 Oct – Lumen Christi Group, OLR Hall, 4.45-5.45 pm
Mon 7 Oct – Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR, 4.00-5.30pm
Wed 9 Oct – Kairos Charismatic Prayer Grp, OLR Hall, 7.30-9.00

HOSPITAL MINISTRY

NEXT MASS: Tuesday 28 October, 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.

SAVE THE DATES

See posters at back of Churches for all these events

Sat 12 Oct 2024 – Youth Engagement in Your Parish Event – St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley, 11am-3pm
Fri 18 Oct 2024 – Anti-Slavery Day, Focus on Modern Slavery – Chichester Cathedral 10am-5pm
Sat 15 March 2025 – Advance notice of ***Unstoppable, Fan the Flame of Hope*** – Youth Conference in **OVO Arena, Wembley**. The largest Catholic gathering of young people in England and Wales – Further details will follow.

CAFOD HARVEST LUNCH: FRIDAY 4 OCTOBER: After 11am Mass, everyone is warmly welcome to OLR Hall to enjoy a simple lunch of soup and a roll, supporting those who daily live in hunger.

CATHOLIC HEALTH & CARE WORKERS' MASS: SAT 5 OCT 2024, Arundel Cathedral, 11–3pm with Bishop Richard. There will also be a talk on “Palliative Care, not Assisted Dying” by the eminent Dr Dominic Whitehouse. Soup lunch provided and social afterwards in the Cathedral Centre. Donations to Catholic Medical Missionary Society.

SEPTEMBER 2024 OLR MONEY CLUB DRAW WINNERS:

1st David Mothersole £106; 2nd Pam Francis £66; 3rd Stephen Bergin £53; 4th Aloysius Joseph £26. Next draw: Sun 20 October. Subs renewals for the 12 draws from Oct 2024 are due by 30 Sept for Members who pay in one go, by cheque or b/transfer. New members always welcome and Registration Forms can be found at the back of the churches.

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!

ST AGNES

PRAYER FOR OUR PRIESTS & PARISHIONERS. Please join us praying before the Blessed Sacrament as we go towards the New Parish.

Wed evenings in September & October, 7-8 pm

GRANDPARENTS' MEETINGS: 2nd Wednesday of the month, 2.00 pm. New members always welcome. 07753 613040 for more information.

ST AGNES LUNCHES: 2nd Thursday of the month

POLISH MASS: Every 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month, 6.00 pm

FAITH DEVELOPMENT

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

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP: Please note new start time for 2nd Monday of the month, now **6.00 pm**.

PRAYER OF A CHILD: In the Gospel recently we heard Jesus reiterate that we must become like little children. Here is a simple child's prayer to God our Father that we could imitate.

*Heavenly Father, I remember now
Something that Jesus told disciples long ago
"Suffer the children to come to me"
Father, in prayer I'm coming now to thee*

CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES (CCRS): The CCRS is a theological literacy course which helps deepen understanding and knowledge of our Catholic faith. It is ideal for anyone thinking of becoming, or already is, a Catechist. The course comprises 8 modules, which include Old & New Testaments, Christology and Christian Morality. A new course is **beginning Tues 14 January 2025, 3.45-5.45pm at Cardinal Newman Catholic School, Hove**. For more information please contact Jon Harman: jon.harman@abdiocese.org.uk and see Poster at the back of the Church.

PRISONERS' SUNDAY - 13 OCTOBER 2024. We join in praying this week for all in prison and their families and in this way we help PACT (the national Catholic charity supporting prisoners and their families) to build bridges of hope this October. This year PACT is marking its 125 years as a charity supporting people of all faiths and none, working in 60 prisons, in courts, and in communities across the country. Compassion sums up our prayers for this Prisons Week as we stand alongside and with those impacted by the criminal justice system and hearts and minds are opened to enter people's pain, struggles, fears and longings. We pray not only for offenders and victims of crime, but we pray too for families, friends, prison staff, chaplains, police, probation and all who make decisions which impact people's lives. Your generous support to PACT is most most gratefully received. Thank You.

PAINTING & DECORATING OF OLR HALL AND PASSAGEWAY:

Please note that during October, the toilets, hall and passageway may be out of bounds at times. This work is possible, thanks to your kind support of the monthly money draw. New application forms are at the back of the churches.

SAT 26 OCTOBER – THE BIG SING: – Worth Abbey, 2-3.45pm. Come and help us celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Lourdes Pilgrimage in our Diocese with pilgrims from times past and the more recent. Other exciting activities too. Book via Lourdes Pilgrimage Anniversary Big Sing

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: 13 October. Please send any items by 4 October. Items after this date cannot be guaranteed.