

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Confession Saturdays Our Lady of Ransom 10.30am to 11.30am and 5.15 to 5.45pm: at St Agnes Confession is offered each Saturday after 4pm Mass, also at call

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Is 49:3.5-6) (1 Co 1:1-3)

Saturday 18 4pm St Agnes Len Brownsell RIP (*Elsie & Brenda*)
6pm Our Lady of Ransom Harold Philip Heard-White (*Heard-White*)

Sunday 19 9.15am St Gregory's Martin Briggs RIP (*Briggs*)
10.30am Our Lady of Ransom Chris Condon RIP (*Condon*)
11.15am St Agnes John Byrne RIP (*Martha Byrne*)
4pm St Agnes (Ordinariate) People of the Parish
5.30pm Our Lady of Ransom Fr. Joe Ware RIP
6pm St Agnes Polish Mass
12.30pm Baptism at St Agnes of Jack Junior Swallow

Monday 20 12noon Our Lady of Ransom Michael Webster RIP (*Webster*)
7.30pm Our Lady of Ransom (Ordinariate) Celebrant's Intention

Feast of St Agnes

Tuesday 21 10pm St Agnes Murphy Family RIP (*Byrne*)
12noon Our Lady of Ransom **No Mass**

Wednesday 22 12noon Our Lady of Ransom Personal intentions of the Calver Family (*Calvert*)

Thursday 23 10am St. Gregory's Jose Vieira RIP
12noon Our Lady of Ransom Maria Alfonson de Marco RIP (*Caira*)

Friday 24 12noon Our Lady of Ransom Patrick Joseph Desay (*Ray*)
3.00pm DGH For patients, staff and relatives
Vigil Mass Our Lady of Ransom 5.30pm

Saturday 25 10am Our Lady of Ransom Holy Souls (*Markham*)
2pm Our Lady of Ransom Marriage of Darina Simonova & Barrie Wheatley

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Is 8:23-9:3) (1 Co 1:10-13.17)

Saturday 25 4pm St Agnes Helen Deadman RIP (*Deadman*)
6pm Our Lady of Ransom Deceased members of the Featherstone & Moynihan families (*Featherstone*)

Sunday 26 9.15am St Gregory's Dr Caroline Hunt RIP (*Hunt*)
10.30am Our Lady of Ransom Pat Hay-Will RIP (*Webster*)
11.15am St Agnes People of the Parish
4pm St Agnes (Ordinariate)
5.30pm Our Lady of Ransom Michael Webster RIP (*Rigamonti*)

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 18th/19th 2020

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

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Deacon Paul Scholey (Retired)

The Gospel this week is re-emphasizing the importance of the decision Jesus made, to have himself baptized which really was the start of his Ministry. Last week at Mass we too were washed clean, as we were at our baptism, and so we now can start on the journey which leads us to Lent.

It begins with our first steps in the New Year, still with our good intentions and bright hopes, our New Year Resolutions still intact, though maybe already a bit tattered at the edges. It is the start of a New Year and a new decade, which looks as though it will present us with entirely new problems. Certainly it feels different from the start of the last decade when social media was in its infancy and we were totally unaware of the damage we are doing to our planet through the use of plastics. We also know a new year is going to present many of the old problems —turmoil in the Middle East, migrants risking their lives — and yet we can still be surprised by pieces of good news.

In the Cycle of Prayer during Ordinary Time we are asked to pray for special intentions: peace on earth; Christian Unity, the sick and those who care for them, the victims of trafficking and those who work to combat it, the unemployed. It is helpful to remember the words of Pope Francis in his message for the World Day of Peace. "Peace" he said "is a journey of hope in the face of obstacles and trials, and its steps are dialogue, reconciliation and ecological conversion." When we consider the patience, the fortitude and the hope required by every peacemaker in both small, personal difficulties and large, global conflicts, let us pray that the hope born in us through baptism will last throughout our lives.

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**Parish Office open Monday-Friday
9.30am to 2.30pm
01323 723222**

If no reply then for emergency calls
841504 (St Wilfrid's, Hailsham)

THIS WEEKEND

APF: There is an appeal on behalf of Missio. APF promoters collect/empty Red Missio Boxes in March and September and I collect from them or they leave it in reception at OLR. They also deliver a magazine in June and a calendar in December. I shall be available after the 4pm Mass at St Agnes and the 10.30Mass at OLR if anyone would like to discuss this further. I shall also be at St Gregory's at 9.15 next weekend or call Brenda on 470791.

CATENIANS: After 10.30am Mass come and meet a Catenian, who will be distributing leaflets outside Church, and find out if you would like to join us.

COMING WEEK

Tuesday 21st As it is the Feast of St Agnes, there will be just the one Mass, celebrated at 10am, followed by refreshments. All welcome.

Wednesday 22nd: 7-9pm

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING: This training is open to all, but especially to those who are 'working' with children and/or vulnerable adults. It is the expectation of the Bishop, Trustees and Safeguarding Commission that this initial training is undertaken and refreshed every three years. Any queries please contact me at goodman.wp@gmail.com

Thursday 23rd RCIA 7.30 to 9pm Open Question Evening. Bible passage: The call of Samuel (1 Sam 3). All welcome.

Friday Exposition and Prayer from Fr

Raglan: I must apologise to those of you who came for the Prayer last Friday, it must have been very cold; the heating had broken down. Next Friday, January 24th Exposition will end an hour and a half early for Fr Gerard to conduct a Mass and Rehearsal for the wedding of Darina Simonova and Barrie Wheatley the next day.

FUTURE EVENTS

Saturday February 15th The Redshirts team are proud to present a Murder Mystery Evening (including meal) here at Hay Will Manor. Details on posters, tickets now on sale £10 from the Parish Office or Maura 430532.

NEXT BAPTISM COURSE: Mondays of February 17th and 24th at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.

Saturday March 7th HCPT QUIZ NIGHT:

a note for your diary. Do come along and help raise funds to take young adults to Lourdes in September. Also if you have unwanted Christmas gifts, please save them for our raffle! More details to follow.

MONEY COUNTERS APPEAL

We are always needing replacements for those who count the collections on Monday mornings, so please consider if you could give us one Monday morning a month to join one of the teams—and this is either St Agnes or the OLR/St Gregory's. Please contact the Parish Office.

The SVP would like to thank everyone who supported the Giving Tree. Your generosity has spread a lot of happiness and made a lot of difference to disadvantaged people. Nearly 290 gifts were collected for the eleven local charities, who have written to say how much they appreciate your kindness and support.

FLOWER ARRANGING: There are Inter-Church flower arranging practice classes being held at St Mary's Church Hall, Old Town. If you are a flower arranger or would like to become one, these classes are for you. Beginners will learn basic shapes, whilst the more experienced will do interpretive designs. There is no charge but any donations are gratefully accepted. They start at 2pm for approximately 2 hours. The dates are: February 24th, March 23rd, April 27th, May 18th. If you would like to come along please contact Vanessa on dv.jeffries@outlook.com

WINTERSHALL "LIFE OF CHRIST"

For years 6 and 7 we are proposing a trip to see this great play on Saturday June 27th 2020. Parent tickets cost £20 each; kids £10. Please see posters at back of church for details of this amazing production and contact sistermaryrose@stthomasbecket.e-sussex.sch.uk asap to reserve a place. Transport will be organised.

WEDDINGS IN 2020

Please pray for our engaged couples as they continue their preparation for being married this year. (NB the Church asks all couples to give one year's notice of being married).

WELCOMERS NEEDED AT ST AGNES: if you can help out please contact Lynda on 01323 412154.

The Parish Pastoral Teams will be holding their annual joint meeting on Monday February 10th. If any parishioner has a question relating to a whole parish issue that they wish to have considered would they please pass the question to the Parish Office by Wednesday February 5th.

IN MEMORIAM: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Angela Sygrove whose Requiem is on Tuesday January 28th at 10am at St Agnes and June Lipka whose Requiem is on Friday February 14th at 12 noon in Our Lady of Ransom. Our prayers and sympathy are with their families.

LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN TAKEN ILL AND NEED OUR PRAYERS

especially Laurence Evans, Carmen Pumar, Alredo Pontes, Sheila Brown, Lorna Cameron, Pombo Esperenza, Frank Pike, Pauline Bosley, Joan Kennedy, Abina Boniface, Gilbert da Silva, Marie Potts, Pat Higgins, Moira Morrison, Joan Garbet, Dorothy Barnett, Trudy Kelly, Rosanna da Sousa, and all our parishioners who are suffering at this time, and their carers.

COLLECTIONS

w/e 5/1 Our Lady of Ransom & St Gregory's
£2217.35 CAFOD £29.33
St Agnes £405.50

GIFT AID: Taxpayers please contact Nick Price 07711243419 David Beglan 656465 or giftaidransomagnes@gmail.com

Advisory booklets on bequests to the Parish are available from the back of the churches.