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PARISH COLLECTION

13 October £2815, 20 October £2352
PACT £929 – MISSIO £850.65

Forthcoming Second Collections:

10 November – Retired Priests Fund
24 Nov - Arundel Cathedral Maintenance Fund

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Pauline Bosley, Gerald Shakespeare,
Juliette Romeo, Liz Mason
and all those in hospital or housebound

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY

Mary Long, Leonard Pedroza,
Valerie Downey, Mary Camargo
and for their families
at this difficult time

OUR JOURNEY TO A NEW PARISH



*"I see the dawning of a new
missionary age,
which will become a radiant day
bearing an abundant harvest,
if all Christians respond with
generosity and holiness
to the calls and challenges
of our time"*

Pope St John Paul II

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER – 27 OCTOBER and 3 NOVEMBER

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 26 October	OLR	10.00 am	Baby Michael Roth RIP & Teixeira Family RIP
	OLR	10.30 am	Adoration and Confessions
	OLR	6.00 pm	Margaret Boyle RIP
Sun 27 October	St G	9.00 am	Edel Wilson RIP
30th Sunday	OLR	10.15 am	People of the Parish
in Ordinary Time	St A	11.30 am	Grace Canelle Dance RIP
	OLR	5.30 pm	Joan Kennedy RIP
Mon 28 Oct	OLR	11.00 am	Melvin Moulding RIP
Tues 29 Oct	OLR	-	NO MASS
Wed 30 Oct	OLR	11.00 am	Doris Smith – 104 th Birthday
Thurs 31 Oct	OLR	11.00 am	Catherine Kelly for her nephew's health
Fri 1 Nov	OLR	11.00 am	Wellbeing of Filip Grebowski
All Saints (Holy Day)	OLR	7.00 pm	Holy Souls
Sat 2 Nov	OLR	10.00 am	Memorial Mass for Deceased Parishioners
All Souls Day	OLR	10.30 am	Adoration and Confessions
	OLR	6.00 pm	Claire and Patrick McSparrow
Sun 3 November	St G	9.00 am	Eileen Davis
31st Sunday	OLR	10.15 am	People of the Parish
in Ordinary Time	St A	11.30 am	Armanda Gouveia RIP
	OLR	5.30 pm	Janusz Grebowski RIP
Mon 4 Nov	OLR	11.00 am	Sean Geelan
Tues 5 Nov	OLR	-	NO MASS
Wed 6 Nov	OLR	11.00 am	Barbara Lucani RIP
Thurs 7 Nov	OLR	11.00 am	REQUIEM: Leonard Pedroza RIP
Fri 8 Nov	OLR	11.00 am	Keith Capon RIP
Sat 9 Nov	OLR	10.00 am	Patricia Cramp RIP

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

WHY PRAY FOR THE DEAD?

Does it make any sense, any difference? Does God need to be asked to be merciful? Surely that's God's nature? The answer is that we pray for the dead for the same reason we pray for anything – we feel compelled to do so, in faith and out of love, and that is powerful reason enough. When we pray, we're not changing God, God is steady in faithfulness. Rather, we are being changed ourselves and built up through the very act of prayer. When we pray for our beloved dead we know, amidst all our human frailties and limitations, that we are somehow being held in a vital communion of life with them, even beyond the grave. Our faith is powerfully celebrated and brought into sharp relief over the 2 days of All Saints and All Souls. We are **ALL CALLED** to holiness, to be Saints and share the life of God forever in the Heavenly Kingdom. We will **ALL DIE** and come face to face with this loving God who calls us to holiness and eternal life. This is our destiny, however we may at times fumble and stumble, and all our prayer brings us into a deeper and deeper awareness of who we are and to whom we truly belong. Eternal rest grant, dear Lord, to all our beloved dead and those with nobody to pray for them. May we all aspire in Grace to be the Saints God calls us to be. 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 28 Oct – Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR 4.00-5.00pm
Sat 2 Nov – Annual Memorial Mass, OLR, 10.00 am
Sun 3 Nov – Remembrance Concert – OLR, 2.30pm
Mon 4 Nov - Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR 4.00-5.00pm
Tues 5 Nov – What is Synodality? Zoom mtg, 6.30pm OLR Hall
Wed 6 Nov – Kairos Prayer Charismatic Grp: OLR Hall, 7.30-9pm
Thurs 7 Nov – Mothers Prayers, PMR, after 10 am Mass
Sat 9 Nov – Lumen Christi Group, OLR Hall, 4.45-5.45pm

HOSPITAL MINISTRY

NEXT MASS: Tuesday 26 November, 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.

REMEMBERING THOSE IN PRISON AND PRISON LEAVERS: The parish continues to welcome and support Prison Leavers through the Welcome Directory (see poster in the Narthex) www.welcomedirectory.org.uk. Please pray for all those in Prison and for Prison Leavers and their families. If a Prison Leaver makes themselves know to you, please offer them a warm welcome and direct them to Fr Kevin. Thank you.

MAGNIFICAT DAILY READINGS: as per the New Lectionary will be available from 1 December 2024. All subscription offers are available at: <https://catholicherald.co.uk/magnificat/> or ring 0203 882 9432. Any new orders received by 10 Nov can start with the December issue.

ANY CLOTHES LEFT IN NARTHEX: will be immediately disposed of. Please give them to charity shops and do NOT leave in the church. Thank you.

“WHAT IS SYNODALITY?”: TUES 5 NOV IN THE PARISH CENTRE 6.30 PM: Fr Mike Deeb OP, recently appointed as the Permanent Delegate of the Dominican Order to the United Nations will speak via Zoom to our large screens on this very important topic, in light of the recent final session of the Synod in Rome. Tea and coffee will be served at 6.15 ready for 6.30 pm. Invite a friend.

THE REPOSITORY CHRISTMAS SALE: will be held following the 10.15 mass on 3 November. Please note cash payments only if at all possible.

And - We hear Santa is planning on popping into the Parish Centre on 8 December!

OCTOBER 2024 OLR MONEY CLUB DRAW WINNERS:

1st Maura Phipps £100; 2nd Richard Burbidge £62;
3rd Una Carter £50; 4th Tony Bevington £25;

Next draw: Sunday 17 November.

New members always welcome; Registration forms are at the back of churches. Money Draw Gift Vouchers for 1, 2 or 3 draws also available from Maura - great stocking fillers!

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 LUNCHESS: 2nd Thursday of the month

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

FAITH DEVELOPMENT

THURSDAY HOLY HOUR FOR OUR NEW PARISH: 10-11am Adoration and Holy Hour with Rosary for Peace & Benediction

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

POETRY AS PRAYER: – two suggestions of prayerful poetry, old and new, leading to mystical prayer: The Hymns of Divine Love of Symeon the New Theologian (942-1022) - See Hymn No. 15 on the Body of Christ, and/or, for a magnificent poem on autumnal love in nature – see www.newpilgrimpath.ie (week of 20 Oct) and click on Poem of the Week.

NOVEMBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

PARISH MASS FOR DECEASED PARISHIONERS: - SAT 2 NOV (10am). We are inviting all families who have celebrated a Funeral in the past 12 months, but everyone is welcome as we pray for all deceased parishioners. Refreshments in the Hall afterwards.

REMEMBRANCE CONCERT – SUN 3 NOV (2.30PM) IN OLR: With Eastbourne Silver Band and Guests, for all who have died in wars and conflicts. Refreshments afterwards in the Hall.

BLESSING OF GRAVES - Saturday 2 November: OLR Graden of Remembrance (after 10am Mass). Local Cemeteries: Langney 11.30 am, Willingdon 12.45 pm, Ocklynge 1.30 pm

DEANERY MASS FOR DECEASED CLERGY & PARISHIONERS – TUES 19 NOV (11AM IN OLR): with clergy and parishioners from other parishes of the deanery. All are welcome.

READERS' FORMATION TIME - Sat 23 November: 10.35am - 1.15pm in OLR Hall with tea & coffee, Readers from across our new Parish are invited for a time of prayer and preparation on the New Lectionary which comes into use on 1 December 2024.

ASSISTED DYING: BISHOP RICHARD WRITES: The Church's continual and clear teaching does not lead - as some might have it - to unnecessary suffering, and we must pray for all those who are engaged in healthcare, for those approaching the end of life, and for their families. Let us call too for increased resources and better funding for our hospices and hospitals, that all may experience the best possible care. Let us proclaim the truth of life as a gift from God.

MASS INTENTIONS: With every Mass having an intention allocated for weeks ahead, and many Mass intentions still to be allocated, we hope you will understand that some Mass intentions that have not requested being advised of a particular date will be forwarded to be celebrated by Mission priests or retired priests. This also helps support them. Please consider on the envelopes ticking the Missions box. Thanks for your understanding.

URGENT HELP NEEDED: The conflict in the Middle East is getting worse and the families affected need our help. Please donate today to the CAFOD-DEC Middle East Humanitarian Appeal and support our local Caritas partners in Gaza and Lebanon as they continue to provide essential food, water and shelter: www.cafod.org.uk/give

GIFT AID: If you wish to join the scheme to benefit the Parish, please contact pfceastbourneolor@abdiocese.org.uk.

NEXT NEWSLETTER: 5 November. Please send any items by 4 October. Items after this date cannot be guaranteed.