

OUR LADY OF RANSOM OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER everyday 10am-5pm

Saturday 13	Dawn	Priest's Intention
	Day	For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
OLR	11am	Adoration & Confessions
	12 noon	Solemn reading of The Passion according to Luke [Livestreamed]
OLR	5pm	Confessions
OLR	6pm	Philip Goodman (80th birthday) (Goodman family)
SUN 14 4th Sunday of Lent	Readings:	1. Chronicles 36:14-16.19-23 [Psalm 136] 2. Ephesians 2:4-10. 3 John: 14-21
OLR	9.15am	People of the Parish [Live streamed]
St Gregory's:	9.30am	Jer Canty RIP (Una Carter)
St. Agnes	11.15am	Irene Moir RIP (Mary Sheppard)
OLR	11.30am	Teresa Barros RIP, Maria Jose da Silva RIP (Sara da Silva)
OLR	5.30pm	Mararita Manfredi/Macari (Borza family)
MON 15	Dawn	Priest's intention
	Day	Priest's intention
	Dusk	Priest's intention
TUES 16	Dawn	Julian Letschka RIP (Funeral day elsewhere)
	Day	Private intention
WED 17	Dawn	Priest's intention
St Agnes	11am	Requiem: Michael Butters RIP (Limited numbers)
Feast of St Patrick	11am	Renata Sapieha RIP (Joan Kennedy)
THURS 18	Dawn	Holy Souls (Delia Markham)
	11am	Malcolm Livesay (B. Ratcliffe)
	Dusk	Priest's Intention
FRI 19 OLR Solemnity of St Joseph	Dawn	Priest's intention
	11am	Rest of Soul of Leslie Quaintance (J & S Jones) [Livestreamed] followed by <i>Stations of the Cross after Mass</i> Mgr Barry Wymes RIP
	Dusk	
SAT 20	Dawn	Priest's intention
	Day	For the Souls in Purgatory
OLR	11am	Adoration & Confessions
	12 noon	Solemn reading of The Passion according to John [Livestreamed]
OLR	5pm	Confessions
OLR	6pm	Marguerita Manfredi RIP (Bridget Towers)
SUN 21 5th Sunday of Lent	Readings:	1. Jeremiah 31:31-34 [Psalm 50] 2. Hebrews 5:7-9 3. John 12:20-33
OLR	9.15am	People of the Parish [Live streamed]
St Gregory's:	9.30am	Hilda Price RIP (Smith family)
St. Agnes	11.15am	Jimmy Farrell RIP (Gina Moulding)
OLR	11.30am	Clare Greene RIP (Margaret Ramsay)
OLR	5.30pm	Fr Tom Heneghan RIP (Jane Mathers)

13TH/14TH MARCH 2021 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF RANSOM

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Fr Tristan Cranfield, Fr Bruno Witchalls (Assistant Priests)

Deacon Paul Scholey (retired)

This Entrance Antiphon for this Fourth Sunday of Lent invites us to 'Rejoice', which gives its title (in Latin), 'Laetare'. Why? The Preface (before the 'Holy, Holy...') explains: "By the mystery of the Incarnation, [Christ] has led the human race that walked in darkness into the radiance of the faith". Even as Christ draws closer to his Passion, John's Gospel highlights the paradox that the deeper the darkness, the closer he is to glory, salvation for the whole world. Of course, it does not look as if everywhere the world is glorious; there are dark shadows and always have been. But the Transfiguration on the Second Sunday of Lent has already prepared us to be people who see light in darkness. You may call this having a mystic's vision, but we were called to that by our baptism. As the English mystic known as Mother Julian of Norwich (1342- ca.1416) said, all of us at baptism began a journey of faith, which is the same thing. She lived through turbulent times, with the hundred years' war, peasants' revolt, religious conflict and the bubonic plague (1347). Yet she was able to say, "but all shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of thing shall be well".

The Franciscan Richard Rohr put it this way. "The life of Jesus, as those who have tried it know, is a happy life. There is no life that is happier or more blessed. It is a life of suffering, but it works miracles. It is frustrating, but it is rewarding. It means dying to self, but it also means being born again. It means making enemies, for it entails working for peace and justice, but it is a way to deep and lasting friendship, for it involves faith-sharing and life-sharing" [*Co-authored with Joseph Martos, Why Be a Catholic, St. Anthony Messenger Press (Cinc., Ohio: 1989), 109*].

The tradition of Mothering Sunday also falls on the 4th Sunday of Lent, when servants had leave to visit their parents. We are aware of the demands this last year has placed on mothers (and fathers), and wish them blessing.

**LIVE STREAMED MASSES ON
YOU TUBE:** [www.youtube.com/
OurLadyofRansom](http://www.youtube.com/OurLadyofRansom).

NEXT FRIDAY 19th March is the **SOLEMNITY OF ST JOSEPH**. The Church asks us not to either fast from meat nor perform Lenten penances on this day of celebration. This year's feast is especially important as it is the Year of St Joseph proclaimed by Pope Francis. Come to Mass if you can, and why not have something special to eat at home, and ask St Joseph to bless your table?

FUTURE DATES:
THE BALANCED LIFE SYMPOSIUM FOR YOUNG ADULTS 20th March 2021 This symposium will introduce themes emerging from the experience of young adults in the Covid crisis. For details www.laybenedictines.org/balanced-life-project

BBC "THE BIG QUESTIONS"

The BBC's ethical and religious debate show The Big Questions has invited people in Sussex to join a virtual audience from the safety of their own home for a show recording on **Saturday 20th March**. Hosted by Nicky Campbell, the debate will be about what the future holds for religion, asking if our values are now based outside of faith or whether the intrinsic values of our various faiths remain central in society. It would be great if as many Catholic Christians as possible could be represented—if you

are interested, please e-mail : audiencetbq@mentorn.tv as soon as possible to take part.

ONLINE RETREAT FROM WORTH ABBEY led by Michael Woodward (member of the Lay Community of St Benedict)
26th-28th March: "The Holy Shroud: Gospel beyond Words - What the Shroud Tells Us".
Book at <https://worth.co.uk/retreats/online-retreats>

LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN TAKEN ILL AND ASK FOR OUR PRAYERS: Bernard Sanderson, Sybil Glenister, Miles Tracey, Bob Cadwallender, Madeleine O'Brien, Pauline Bosley, Pat Higgins, Joan Garbet, Rosanna da Sousa, Trish Ryan, Michaeline Winterbottom, Martin Forte-Hyland, Lynnette Butters, Valerie Downey, Colin Hoslett, Chantal Witchalls and all our parishioners who are suffering.

RIP: PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL of: Julian Letschka RIP (funeral elsewhere 16th March). Michael Butters RIP (Requiem 17th March at 11am St Agnes). Luigia Abro RIP (Requiem 24th March at 11am OLR). Bobbie Gausden RIP (Requiem 26th March at 11am OLR). Angela Watts (funeral elsewhere 31st March). Molly Hannaford RIP (Requiem 11am OLR 8th April). Our sympathy and prayers are with their families.

BOOKING FOR SERVICES IN HOLY WEEK AND ON EASTER SUNDAY

This year places still have to be booked. Service times are:-

Maundy Thursday 1st April
Our Lady of Ransom 9pm Mass of The Lord's Supper (**Livestreamed**)

Good Friday 2nd April
Our Lady of Ransom 3pm Solemn Passion (**Livestreamed**)
St Agnes 3pm Solemn Passion
St Gregory 3pm Solemn Passion

Holy Saturday 3rd April
Our Lady of Ransom 9pm Easter Vigil in The Holy Night (**Livestreamed**)

Easter Sunday 4th April
Our Lady of Ransom 9.15am Mass (**Livestreamed**)
11.30am Mass
5.30pm Mass
St Agnes 8am Mass (Extraordinary Form)
11.15am Mass
St Gregory 9.30am Mass

TO BOOK FROM MONDAY 15TH MARCH

OLR or ST AGNES
CALL 01323 723222 Monday and Wednesday afternoons, 2pm - 4pm, and Saturday mornings, 10am - 12 noon or e-mail: easterolr@gmail.com.

ST GREGORY'S
CALL Nick Price , 07711243419 or e-mail: nickprice8@hotmail.com

EVERYONE who wants a place needs to book; including stewards, readers, Eucharistic ministers, choir members AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS.

Should people be unable to fulfil booking would they let Maureen (OLR) or Nick (St Gregory's) know ASAP so that the place/s may be allocated to others.