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

Fourth Sunday Saturday 16	of Easter 4pm 6pm	(Acts 13:14. 43-52) (Apod St Agnes Our Lady of Ransom	c :9. 14-17) Private Intention (Fr Gerard) Laurence Rigamonti RIP (Douglas & Margaret)
Sunday 17	9.15am 10.30am	St Gregory's Our Lady of Ransom	Shirley Holmes (Barrow Family) Laurence Rigamonti RIP (Duggan Family)
	4pm 5.30pm	St Agnes St Agnes (Ordinariate Use Our Lady of Ransom n at 12.30 in St Gregory's	Jessie McGeorge RIP e) McCormack family (McCormack) People of the Parish
Monday 18	12noon 7.30pm	Our Lady of Ransom Our Lady of Ransom (Or	Helen Crowsley <i>(de Souza)</i> rdinariate Use) Paul Monteque's Intentions <i>(McCormack)</i>
Tuesday 19	9am 10am 12 noon	St Gregory's St Gregory's Our Lady of Ransom	Morning Prayer and Exposition Laurence Rigamonti RIP (Mazzoli) Elizabeth Kocsis RIP (Sue, David & Family)
Wednesday 20	<i>9am</i> 10am 12noon	St Agnes St Agnes Our Lady of Ransom	Morning Prayer and Exposition Paddy McDermott RIP (Fusciardi) Co-Workers of BI M. Teresa
Thursday 21	7.30am 12noon	St Gregory's Our Lady of Ransom	Jose Vieira RIP Laurence Rigamonti RIP (SVP)
Friday 22	<i>9am</i> 10am 12noon	St Agnes St Agnes Our Lady of Ransom	Morning Prayer and Exposition Teresa Dillon-White RIP (Crunden) Pat & Mary Carpenter 50th Wedding Anniversary
	Followed 3pm	by Exposition of the Bless DGH	
St George Saturday 23	10am	Our Lady of Ransom	Josie Collins
Fourth Sunday Saturday 23	4pm	(Acts 14:21-27) (Apoc 2 St Agnes Our Lady of Ransom	1:1-5) Fran Cowdy RIP (Mathers) People of the Parish
Sunday 24	6pm 9.15am	St Gregory's	John & Elaine Slattery & Family (Barrow Family)
	10.30am 11.15am 4pm		Ref. Christopher Spender RIP Paul & David Avann RIP (Avann) Thanksgiving for Munsch family & friends (Munsch)
	5.30pm	Our Lady of Ransom	Barbara & Kenneth Douglas RIP (Hunt Family)

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER April 16th/17th 2016

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726004
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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

e are in the midst of the fascinating readings from the Acts of the Apostles. These give us a great insight into what happened after Jesus had fulfilled his earthly mission and entrusted the spreading of the Gospel to his faithful followers.

In human terms we might wonder how the death of one man on a cross give birth to the Christian church? Once key aspect was the devotion of the Apostles. They travelled far and wide, risking not only the anger and scorn of their opponents but also their very lives in their determination that the world, the whole world, not just the Jewish world, should know and understand the meaning of the life of Jesus, his death and his resurrection. They had been filled with the power of the Holy Spirit and so had the strength and the conviction to proclaim the message which Jesus had given them, in spite of whatever troubles and tribulations lay in wait for them. The words which Paul and Barnabas spoke in the reading resonate with us today: "I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth". It is a light carried by Pope Francis in his call for the Year of Mercy, that we too may reach out to the ends of the earth, with mercy and compassion and become like the disciples

"filled with joy and the Holy Spirit".

THIS WEEKEND On Sunday after 10.30am Mass **The Catholic Women's League National Coffee Event** in the Parish Centre. There will be refreshments and cakes and preserves for sale together with a Hamper Raffle. There will be a display about CWL activities including this year's National President's Project "Women's Refuges".

COMING WEEK

Tuesday 19th 7.30pm to 9pm Baptism Course in the Parish Centre.

Wednesday 20th after 12 noon Mass, the next meeting for the **Co-Workers of Bl. Mother Teresa.**

Thursday 21st: 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. Catholic Faith Course. The topic is: *The Paschal Mystery (how Jesus saves us by his suffering and death on the cross).* Fr Gerard.

Saturday 23rd 7 for 7.30pm. A Classical Concert by International artists at the Birley Centre, Carlisle Road, Eastbourne in aid of the Friends of the Lisiecki Homes in Poland (FLHIP). Tickets available from Barbara or David on 01323 500181, £9 in advance or £10 on the door.

Sunday 24th: 2.30pm to 6.30pm.
Everyone is cordially invited to
participate in a Catholic English Bible
Convention at St Wilfred's Catholic
School, St Wilfred's Way, Crawley,H11 8G
led by Fr Soji Mathew Olikkal, (Director
of Sehion Ministries UK). Free transport
can be arranged from Eastbourne.
Contact Mr Bijoy Varghese on
007960000217 or email
bijoyalappatt@yahoo.com. The day
includes Holy Mass, talks, healing,
confession and Eucharistic adoration.

FUTURE EVENTS

Tuesday April 26th: Baptism Course part 2. 7.30pm to 9pm Parish Centre.

Thursday May 5th: CWL has arranged a visit to the Congress Theatre at 7.30pm to see "Ireland's Call" - music and dance. Tickets £20.50 each. Please contact Brenda on 470791 if you would like to go.

Saturday May 14th: Scripture Saturday. Rev John Ryeland will speak about "A

Biblical Approach to Healing". 10.45am to 1.30pm with a half hour break at 12 noon. No charge but donations welcome.

REGULAR PRAYER GROUPS Everyone is welcome to join them CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP

Every second Monday 4pm to 5.30pm in the Committee room in the Parish Centre. Contact Susan 732725 or Elizabeth 472363

ST AGNES MONDAY EVENING GROUP
In St Agnes church 7pm.

MOTHERS PRAYERS

Alternate Tuesday 10.30am to 11.30am in the Committee room. 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 The Rosary

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.

Saturday May 28th: If you would like to join the Grandparent's pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of Consolation please contact Judith on 07753613040

Saturday June 4th: after 10am Mass. All Eucharistic Ministers who take Communion to the sick and housebound are invited for coffee and a chat in the Conference room In the Presbytery.

Saturday June 25th: ALL Eucharistic ministers are asked to come to the 10am Mass to be re-commissioned. This will be followed by Coffee in the Parish centre.

In Memoriam: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Zelia Maria Freitas Barros Las whose Requiem is on Wednesday April 27th and Laurence Rigamonti whose Requiem is on Friday April 29th, both at 12 noon in Our Lady of Ransom. Our sympathy and prayers are with their families.

GIFT AID SCHEME MEMBERS, OUR LADY OF RANSOM & ST GREGORY'S: The new weekly boxes are at the back of the Churches. For those paying through their bank and using extra envelopes, these are also at the back of the Church.

OUR LADY OF RANSOM CHOIR are seeking new members. If you attend 10.30am Mass and can make Wednesday practices at 17.30, please contact Maura on 430532

who supported bacon butties and raffle on Easter Sunday. £112 was raised towards sending a sick person to Lourdes.

THE KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA YEAR OF MERCY PILGRIMAGES:

Saturday April 23rd: Cathedral of St George, Southwark. 3pm Mass offered by Archbishop Peter Smith. Pilgrims are asked to make their own way by train. Sunday May 1st: 3pm Rosary and Benediction at the Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, West Grinstead. A bus will pick up pilgrims from Christ the King at 1.30pm, Our Lady of Ransom at 1.45pm and Polegate Crossroads at 2pm. Cost £13 each. Please contact David 423323 to book a seat or to obtain further details.

TAKEN ILL AND NEED OUR PRAYERS,
especially Maria Welbourne, Rhys

Munsch, Joy Shakespeare, Michael Charters. Madeleine O'Brien, Rita Caine, Mary Cooper, Renee Blakemore, Vittoria Mackie, Bernard Downey, John Carroll and for our parishioners who are suffering at this time. Please also pray for their carers. Please let us know if someone is taken ill or into hospital.

Parish Safeguarding Representatives. If you have any safeguarding concerns please contact Greg Szanto on 01323 644372 greg.szanto@gmail.com or Helen James 01323 504313

COLLECTIONS

This weekend there is a retiring collection for the Education of Future Priests
Pope Francis has called for a special collection *next weekend* for the people of Ukraine.

Our Lady of Ransom & St Gregory's £2306.29 CAFOD £29.96

St Agnes £436.98 CAFOD £20.00
Advisory booklets on bequests to the Parish are available from the back of the churches