

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

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

Fifth Sunday of Easter (Acts 9:26-31) (1 Jn 3:18-24)

Saturday 28	4pm	St Agnes	Thanksgiving (<i>Barrow</i>)
	6pm	Our Lady of Ransom	Elizabeth Maria Sulava RIP (<i>Simon</i>)
Sunday 29	9.15am	St Gregory's	Bryan & Marilyn Barrow (<i>Barrow Family</i>) 45th Wedding Anniversary
	10.30am	Our Lady of Ransom	Clare Burke RIP (<i>Burke</i>)
	11.15am	St Agnes	Concetta Schembri RIP (<i>Windibank</i>)
	2pm	Our Lady of Ransom meet for Rosary on the Coast	
	4pm	St Agnes (Ordinariate)	Celebrant's Intention
	5.30pm	Our Lady of Ransom	People of the Parish
Monday 30	(10am	Christ the King)	
	12noon	Our Lady of Ransom	Doris & Lawrence Borg (<i>Windibank</i>)
	7.30pm	Our Lady of Ransom	(Ordinariate) Celebrant's Intention
Tuesday 1	9am	St Agnes	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	10am	St Agnes	John & Sandra Zilioli (<i>Barrow</i>)
	12 noon	Our Lady of Ransom	Jessie McGeorge
Wednesday 2	(10am	St Joachim)	
	12noon	Our Lady of Ransom	Rosemary Oliver (<i>Turner</i>)
Thursday 3	10am	St Gregory's	Joao de Gouveia
	12noon	Our Lady of Ransom	In Thanksgiving (<i>Ciara Cullinan</i>)
Friday 4	12noon	Our Lady of Ransom	George Harding RIP (<i>Harding</i>)
	3pm	<i>DGH</i>	
	7pm	Our Lady of Ransom	Divine Mercy Holy Hour
Saturday 5	9am	Lewes	
	10am	Our Lady of Ransom	Katherine Ann Malone RIP (<i>Malone</i>)
Sixth Sunday of Easter (Acts 10:25-26. 34-35.44-48) (1 Jn 4:7-10)			
Saturday 5	4pm	St Agnes	Wesley & Jency (<i>Pereira</i>)
	6pm	Our Lady of Ransom	Judy Rowland RIP (<i>Sommers</i>)
Sunday 6	9.15am	St Gregory's	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Our Lady of Ransom	Thomas Cole (<i>Atkinson</i>)
	11.15am	St Agnes	Florence & John Stonehouse RIP
	4pm	St Agnes (Ordinariate)	Celebrant's Intention
	5.30pm	Our Lady of Ransom	Paddy Bloor RIP (<i>Goble</i>)

This year the Solemnity of our Lord's Ascension will be celebrated on its proper day of Thursday May 10th. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass times next week.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

APRIL 28th/29th
2018

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

Fr Raglan Hay-Will, Fr Gerard Hatton

Deacon Paul Scholey

Readings from the Acts of the Apostles are always interesting and enlightening, showing us how the disciples carried out the legacy, the mission, which Christ had left them.

This week's passage is particularly insightful. Somehow one never thinks of actually how Saul managed to join the disciples but this week we are told the story.

Remember Saul's dreadful reputation as the persecutor of Christians and then he metaphorically turns up on the disciples' doorstep. No wonder they were afraid of him. After all he was the man who had asked for letters addressed to the synagogues that would authorise him to arrest and take to Jerusalem any followers of Christ that he might find, be they men or women.

It was brave Barnabas who took Saul in hand, vouched for his credentials and explained about his conversion on the road to Damascus, his subsequent blindness after seeing the light from heaven and hearing the voice of the Lord and his baptism.

So he started preaching in Jerusalem but opponents of the new Christian movement vowed to kill him, so the brothers, as they now were, sent him to Tarsus. It is interesting that this passage ends with the implication that once the fiery Paul had left, the churches in a large region were now left in peace filled with the Holy Spirit.

THIS WEEKEND after 10.30am Mass **Sausage baps, tea/coffee** in aid of Parish Funds.

Rosary on the Coast for Faith, Life & Peace in the British Isles: Please join us at Our Lady of Ransom on Sunday at 2pm and we will process to the Bandstand for 3pm. Bring some food and drink to share after.

COMING WEEK

Tuesday 1st 3-5pm in the Parish Centre—a **tea to celebrate Springtime**. The sap is rising and so rise up and join us for another tasty tea! Everyone very welcome to join us for sarnies, scones and home baked cakes. Please phone Pat on 735138 or the Parish Office 723222 to reserve a place—numbers need to be known for catering purposes.

Tuesday 1st 7.30pm to 9pm. BAPTISM COURSE. Second Session in the Parish Centre.

Tuesday 1st The next OLR Pastoral committee meeting. Any issues to Nick at nickwoodall@hotmail.co.uk please.

Wednesday 2nd 6.30pm to 8.30 Table Tennis in the Parish Centre.

Thursday 3rd 7pm All are welcome to join in the Induction of Fr Neil at Christ the King by Bishop Richard.

Friday 4th 7pm to 8pm Divine Mercy Holy Hour at Our Lady of Ransom. This is our new first Friday devotion. Come and join us.

Saturday 5th/Sunday 6th Next SVP Food Bank Collection. Thank you for your continued support.

Saturday 5th from 10am to 2.30pm in St Agnes Hall. **Table-Top Sale** in aid of 'Urban Forager', Eastbourne's first plastic-free, zero waste shop.

NEXT Sunday 6th First Communion Mass at 10.30am at Our Lady of Ransom. Please pray for our children and their families.

Sunday 6th PLEASE NOTE there is an event on at the Town Hall and so it will not be possible to use the Town Hall car park.

FUTURE EVENTS

Thursday May 17th 7pm for 7.30pm at Christ the King Parish Rooms, a Newman Association talk on "What can urban theology do for us? A Bishop's story". The speaker, Bishop Laurie Green, has written extensively on urban theology and as a priest, worked with Hell's Angels and Skinheads. For further information contact Alex 07957632208

Saturday May 12th Flores de Mayo and Procession of our Lady on Saturday May 12th starting at St Saviours at 3pm.

REGULAR PRAYER GROUPS in the Parish Centre. Everyone is welcome to join them

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP

Every second Monday 4pm to 5.30pm
Contact Susan 732725 /07402 151 060

MOTHERS PRAYERS

First and third Tuesdays each month
Contact Teresa 733487 or Mary 732907

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP

first Tuesday of every month 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY PRAYER GROUP 7:30pm

GRANDPARENTS MEETING St Agnes Hall
2nd Tuesday of the month 10.45am

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.
in St Agnes every first Tuesday 9-10am

Saturday May 12th Youth Ministry Leadership Conference Tickets £10 are still available for this day which is open to anyone interested in youth and young adults ministry, being held at St Joseph's Redhill from 10am to 3.30pm. An impressive array of speakers are involved. To book email YMBookings@dabnet.

Saturday May 19th 11am to 3pm Join us for a special Royal Vintage Lunch to celebrate the Royal Wedding which will be live streamed. Tickets £7 available from annetackland.embrace@gmail.com or call her on 07780435122. In aid of Embrace (a charity for children with autism and special needs) and Memory Lane (a charity for those suffering with dementia). We can guarantee you a right Royal treat! Everyone very warmly welcome.

FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2018/2019: applications will be accepted now from parents of children who will be aged 7 or more on September 1st 2018.

IN MEMORIAM: Please pray for the repose of the souls of John Walker, Ian Sperling-Tyler and Maria de Freitas. Our sympathy and prayers are with their families.

A **great big thank you** from the Redshirts team to the parishioners who gave us Easter eggs for our school raffle. A fab sum of £281 was raised towards sending a child to Lourdes in July.

ENCOUNTER—AN EXCITING NEW OPPORTUNITY FOR 15-30s: starting on Friday May 18th in the Parish Centre of Our Lady of Ransom at 7.30pm. ENCOUNTER Evenings typically include some food,

games, music, a talk and Adoration. Each evening also has a guest speaker and the first guest speaker will be Bishop Richard. Put the date in your diary and bring some friends along. For more information, search Catholic ENCOUNTER on Facebook.

ALPHA COURSE: Our Lady of Ransom Parish Centre will be the venue for an ALPHA course starting on Tuesday May 22nd. ALPHA is a widely acclaimed programme that explores all aspects of the Christian faith and is aimed at anyone who wants to understand their faith more deeply. If you are interested and would like to know more, pick up an ALPHA information leaflet at the back of the church.

LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN TAKEN ILL AND NEED OUR PRAYERS, especially Audrey Irish, Trudy Kelly, John Carroll, Mary Bacon, Rita Hart, Pat Twohey, Jean Bradshaw, Veronica Barnardiston, Joy Shakespeare, Melissa Munsch, Collette Cullen, Rosanna da Sousa, Jusung Lee, Philip and Helga Edwards, Rose McKie and all our parishioners who are suffering at this time, and their carers. Please let us know if someone is taken ill or into hospital and also when they return home.

COLLECTIONS

w/e 22/4 Our Lady of Ransom & St Gregory's:
£2326.57 CAFOD £24.56

St Agnes £527.30

Education of Future Priests £608.2 and
£109.90

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