

OUR LADY OF RANSOM OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER 10AM—5PM

SATURDAY 8 MAY

OLR	Dawn	John Sani RIP (Jesse)
OLR	11am	Adoration, Rosary and Confessions
OLR	5pm	Confessions
OLR	6pm	Judy Rowland RIP (J. Sommers)

SUNDAY 9 6th of Easter **Readings: 1. Acts 10:25-26.34-35.44-48 [Psalm 97] 2. John 4:7-10 3. 3. John 15:9-17**

OLR	9.15am	People of the Parish [Live streamed]
St Gregory's:	9.30am	George, Kathleen & Peter Barrow RIP (Barrow family)
St Agnes	11.15am	Michael Butters RIP (Pauline Crunden)
OLR	11.30am	Erenia & Claudio Felix & family RIP (Mila Exon)
OLR	5.30pm	Rest of the souls of Florence & John Stonehouse

MON 10	Dawn	Private intention
	Dusk	Priest's intention

TUES 11 **NO MASS**

WED 12	Dawn	Patrick Hegarty RIP (funeral day elsewhere)
OLR	11am	Requiem: Richard Gates RIP

THURS 13 THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

St Agnes	10am	For the souls in purgatory
OLR	11am	Jose Vieira & Carlo [Livestreamed]
OLR	7.30pm	Mario Romano RIP (Fusciardi)

FRI 14	Dawn	Patrick Edwards RIP (Pauline Crunden)
OLR	11am	Requiem Mary Brennan RIP (Limited number)
	Dusk	Priest's intention

SAT 15	10am	Mass (Extraordinary Form/Traditional Latin)
	11am	Adoration, Rosary and Confessions
OLR	5pm	Confessions
OLR	6pm	Loretta Wood (Eileen & Dorothy Walsh)

SUN 16 7th of Easter **Readings: 1. Acts 1:15-17. 20-26 [Psalm 102] 2. John 4:11-16 3. John 17:11-19**

OLR	9.15am	People of the Parish [Live streamed]
St Gregory's:	9.30am	Marilyn & Brian Barrow (Jean Lloyd)
St Agnes	11.15am	Michael Butters RIP (Elizabeth Redmond)
OLR	11.30am	Deceased members of OLR Choir (OLR Choir)
OLR	5.30pm	Colin Waters (Mary Waters)

8th/9th MAY - SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Deacon Paul Scholey (retired)

Ascension day, which we celebrate on Thursday, brought into being the original “nine days” or “novena” of prayer for the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. At the end of Luke’s Gospel, in a passage we heard 3 Sundays ago, the risen Jesus commissioned the apostles in their role as “witnesses” to his death and resurrection. In the next sentence after that passage, however, he said: “And see, I am sending upon you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city, then, until you have been clothed with power from on high.” (24: 48-49). It is as if there is a time to ‘wait’ on God, for us to be sent the inspiration of the Holy Spirit – all our prayer has that basic intention. And there is a time to go out and take action. How the apostles spent that period of waiting is described in Luke’s second book, the Acts of the Apostles. Jesus blesses them and then withdraws from their sight (1: 9-11). They will not see him alongside them in a physical sense, even a visionary one, any more. So even when Saul (as St. Paul was known before conversion) meets Christ on the road to Damascus, he sees nothing but only hears the Lord saying, “why are you persecuting me?” (Acts 9:5). What the apostles do are two things. “With one heart all these were constantly persevering in prayer together with the women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.” (Acts 1:14) Uncertain what their course is to be next, they pray; and crucially they gather together in prayer. That is why the Holy Spirit came after those nine days, as described in the second chapter of Acts. We can join in the prayer of the Church for this special season. “We can join with others in prayer in church, even if in silence. Or, on our own we can still unite ourselves...” to the Church, in the prayer to the Holy Spirit:

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful
And kindle in them the fire of Your love
Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created
And You shall renew the face of the earth
O God, Who has taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of
the Holy Spirit, grant that by the gift of the same Spirit, we may be truly
wise and ever rejoice in His consolation.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen

LIVE STREAMED MASSES ON YOUTUBE:www.youtube.com/OurLadyofRansom

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THIS WEEK:

CHILDRENS' LITURGY, GOSPEL REFLECTION AND ACTIVITY

Sister Mary Rose reflects on the Gospel reading for the sixth Sunday of Easter with prayers Art and Music.

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=sshS66QfJ8c&feature=youtu.be>

ONLINE FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Online Family Faith Formation

The family is the most influential factor in a child's faith. In acknowledgement of this Sr Mary Rose has created six interactive videos (10-15 minutes) which explore our faith to help parents and children grow stronger in their faith together.

The videos cover the topics of **1 Baptism** (its significance) **2 Sunday** (making it a special day) **3 Reconciliation** (just as our daily lives involve saying and hearing the word 'sorry' often, so we need God's healing power) **The Liturgy of the Word** (how God speaks to us in the Bible readings;) **5 The Eucharist** (how Mass celebrates Jesus farewell gift of the Eucharist at the Last Supper) **6 Faith** (how our faith guides us not just on Sundays but in our daily lives) The videos explore the topics and also reflect on a short Gospel Reading with prayer suggestions for the family. If you would be interested in these please email the Parish Office.

CAPTAIN TOM MOORE 100 CHALLENGE. *Fr Raglan writes.....*

Well done to Maura, Mary-Lou, the Choir, and the teams who ran the sponsored hymns in church, and the refreshments in the afternoon. It was a fantastic effort and a cause of thanks that the rain which fell in many part of the country, didn't reach Eastbourne until the evening! The amount raised so far for charity is £2,200 (exact figure next week).

Maura writes:-

"A huge thank you to everybody who supported the Captain Tom Moore100 challenge on Monday. It was a wonderful success both for the chosen charities and for us as a parish. We came together as a community and had a wonderful time. Mary-Lou was amazing, I don't know how she did it! Our team of workers and announcers are simply the best. And as for a The Three Priests- a CD is the next thing on the list! We have raised in excess of £2200,(exact figure next week). Thank you to Co-op Funeral care for sponsoring our refreshments and donating the lovely hamper and wine. Two prizes remain to be claimed. Ticket (green)475 ref AB 773029, and white 744 ref AB 533657. Please ring Maura 01323 430532 if you are the winner. If you would like to see a video of the challenge, you can find it on OLR website, page- Sir Captain Tom Moore 100 challenge".

GIFT AID ENVELOPES for 2021/2 Please remember to pick up your envelopes at the back of the church. If you wish to make future donations by standing order please contact Nick Price at nickprice8@hotmail.com or 07711243419.

EXTRAORDINARY FORM (LATIN) MASSES now to be held again at OLR on **each Saturday at 10am**; however, as long as current Covid restrictions are in place, we need stewards to count the number of attendees (no need for cleaning or other duties). If anyone under 70 would be willing to steward these Masses, please let Mary in the office know asap. Three people have offered to steward so far; do sign up if you can.

CAFOD AND CARITAS INDIA

As coronavirus brings devastation across India, CAFOD is working with experienced local Church agency, Caritas India, to provide vital support to poor and marginalised communities. Donations to CAFOD's Coronavirus Appeal will help Caritas India distribute PPE kits to frontline health workers, promote COVID & vaccine awareness campaigns, and set up safely run isolation & quarantine centres. You can donate online here: cafod.org.uk/give. Please keep praying for the people of India and all those affected by the pandemic.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR SURVIVORS OF ABUSE

As there was no Mass on Monday 4th May we are offering a prayer at all Masses this weekend for all survivors of abuse. Resources available at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/our-work/safeguarding/day-of-prayer-for-survivors-of-abuse/day-of-prayer-for-survivors-of-abuse-2021/>

MODERN SLAVERY AND THE CHURCH: A reminder: If you are interested in becoming an Ambassador for this initiative in which the Church has become a major body countering slavery around the world, please e mail: <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk> Anti-slavery Day (October 18th)

FR CHRISTOPHER SPENDER RIP

Parish Priest Our Lady of Ransom 1973-1983. We extend our grateful thanks to all of you who have so kindly donated towards the repairs to Fr Spender's grave at Ocklynge Cemetery. We will post a photograph once the work is completed. We also thank the Co-op funeral services for their generosity in reducing their quotation in view of the Church's role in the community. (Fr Spender was a co-founder of St Wilfrid's Hospice).

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

Bernard Sanderson, Sybil Glenister, Miles Tracey, Bob Cadwallender, Pauline Bosley, Pat Higgins, Joan Garbet, Rosanna da Sousa, Trish Ryan, Michaeline Winterbottom, Martin Forte-Hyland, Lynnette Butters, Valerie Downey, Roy Sleigh, Reynaldo Cruz and all our parishioners who are suffering.

RIP: PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL of: Richard Gates RIP (Requiem Mass 11am OLR 12th May). Patrick Hegarty (funeral elsewhere 12th May). Mary Brennan RIP (Requiem Mass 11am OLR 14th May) Our sympathy and prayers are with their families.