

### TIMES OF CONFESSIONS

Saturdays in Our Lady of Ransom 11.30 to 12.30am and 5.15pm to 5.45pm; at St Agnes confession is offered each Saturday after 4pm Mass; and at call.

<b>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</b> <i>(Daniel 7:13-14) (John 18:33-37)</i>			
<b>Saturday 21</b>	4pm	St Agnes	Pat Crunden & Margaret Moorton RIP <i>(Crunden)</i>
	6pm	Our Lady of Ransom	M J Ryan RIP <i>(Ryan)</i>
<b>Sunday 22</b>	9:15 am	St Gregory's	Linda Raynor <i>(Hilliam)</i>
	10.30am	Our Lady of Ransom	David Cooke <i>(Nickolson)</i>
<i>Reception of Heather Middleton into Full Communion and Confirmation of Charlotte Bracuti</i>			
	11.15am	St Agnes	Angela Brown RIP <i>(Crunden)</i>
	4pm	St Agnes <i>(Ordinariate Mass)</i>	John Pope RIP
	5.30pm	Our Lady of Ransom	Stanley Ratcliffe RIP <i>(Taylor)</i>
<i>Reception of Rosemary Mitchell at Mass</i>			
<i>10.30am Baptism at St Gregory's of Dylan Towey</i>			
<b>Monday 23</b>	12noon	Our Lady of Ransom	Anna Mogford <i>(Shannon)</i>
<b>Tuesday 24</b>	9am	St Gregory's	<i>Morning Prayer and Exposition</i>
	10am	St Gregory's	Mr & Mrs A Hallett <i>(Golden Wedding)</i>
	12 noon	Our Lady of Ransom	Sally Morrison RIP <i>(Carroll)</i>
<b>Wednesday 25</b>	9am	St Agnes	<i>Morning Prayer and Exposition</i>
	10am	St Agnes	<b>Requiem:</b> William Harper RIP
	12 noon	Our Lady of Ransom	Reginald Markham RIP <i>(Markham)</i>
<b>Thursday 26</b>	7.30am	St Gregory's	Beatris Vieira RIP
	12 noon	Our Lady of Ransom	<b>Requiem:</b> Brian Neville RIP
<b>Friday 27</b>	9am	St Agnes	<i>Morning Prayer and Exposition</i>
	10am	St Agnes	Minchella Family RIP <i>(Shea)</i>
	12 noon	Our Lady of Ransom	Eva David Ampard <i>(Rosa David)</i>
			<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 7pm</i>
	3pm	Hospital Mass DGH	Holy Souls
<b>Saturday 28</b>	10am	Our Lady of Ransom	Bridget McNally <i>(Holman)</i>
<b>FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b> <i>(Jeremiah 33: 14-16) (Thessalonians 3:12—4:2)</i>			
<b>Saturday 28</b>	4pm	St Agnes	Denis Naughton RIP <i>(Sherlock)</i>
	6pm	Our Lady of Ransom	Antonio Fusciardi RIP <i>(Fusciardi Family)</i>
<b>Sunday 29</b>	9:15 am	St Gregory's	Maureen Gilbert RIP <i>(Fusciardi)</i>
	10.30am	Our Lady of Ransom	Michael Reynolds RIP <i>(Farmer)</i>
	11.15am	St Agnes	Manuel & Maria Matos RIP <i>(Crunden)</i>
	4pm	St Agnes <i>(Ordinariate Mass)</i>	Thanksgiving <i>(Ley)</i>
	5.30pm	Our Lady of Ransom	People of the Parish

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**  
**November 21st/22nd**

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760048 (Christ the King)  
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#### SCHOOLS

St Thomas a Becket Juniors 737221

St Thomas a Becket Infants 726004

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St Richard's Catholic College

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**Gift Aid:** Taxpayers: please  
contact Kevan 649861 or  
Richard 722183 if you wish to  
join the scheme

### **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*

The reading this weekend is one of the most dramatic and explanatory passages of St John's Gospel.

We can picture the two men standing looking at each other but there is a feeling that this is not a confrontational meeting. Pilate, probably dressed in purple, is the visible face of the might of Rome, no doubt with a few armed bodyguards behind him. Jesus is dignified, almost serene, dressed simply in the robe over which, a few hours later, the centurians would be casting lots.

Pilate makes plain his position when he says "Am I a Jew?" He is giving the impression that this is a little local difficulty on which he has to adjudicate. But he also gives the impression that he is intrigued by Jesus. He must have had questions in his mind. Why were the Jews in such a hurry to bring Jesus to his court? Why did they want him dealt with so quickly? After all, it is nearly the Sabbath. Why can't this business wait a day or two?

We can also imagine the Jewish hierarchy waiting for the verdict, and surely there were some who were inciting the crowd to shout for Barabbas.

It is a big open stage, charged with tension and it is the moment when Jesus, calmly and clearly states exactly who he is. "Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth: and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice".

Today we listen again to that voice, and give thanks for Christ, our King.

**THIS WEEKEND Eastbourne Catenians Arts & Crafts Exhibition** in the Parish Centre. 10.30am to 7.30pm. Display and sale of selected items of needlework, various crafts including dolls houses and paintings by local artists in the Parish Centre. Admission £1.

**We welcome** Heather Middleton who will be received into the Church at the 10.30am Mass and who, together with Charlotte Bracuti, will be confirmed then. We also welcome Rosie Mitchell who will be received into the Church and confirmed at the 5.30pm Mass.

#### COMING WEEK

**Tuesday 24th 7pm** in the Parish Centre. **School Application References** : parents may come for Clergy signatures for St Thomas a Becket applications.

**Tuesday 24th:** 2.30pm CWL section meeting in the Parish Centre for the Christmas celebration. Members will also be voting for National President nominees and changes to the League structure. It is very important that all members attend.

**Wednesday 25th 7.30pm Baptism Course** 2nd session, Parish Centre

**Saturday 28th** 1-3pm Pre-Christmas Table Top Sale/Coffee afternoon at St Joachims. Details on the notice board.

**Sunday 29th** 5pm at St Agnes **A Carol Service for Advent**, rather than Christmas, to begin a time of waiting and praying for the coming of God into the world.

**Sunday 29th** 6.30pm at Victoria Baptist Church, Eldon Road BN21 1UE. **'The Road Not Chosen'** an evening about loss and bereavement and the journey to recovery given by Ian White, the Pastor, and his wife Ros who lost their daughter Esther.

#### FUTURE EVENTS

**Weekend of December 5th/6th:** Next SVP Foodbank collection. Thank you for your support during 2015

**Thursday December 10th:** our **Parish Service of Reconciliation for Advent** starting at 7pm. Priests will be available for confession up to 10pm. Please support this and help prepare for Christmas together.

**Tuesday December 1st:** Parish Centre 3-5pm. **Donkeys are for Life not just for Christmas. Come and join in the Christmas Tea Party.** Proceeds will buy a CAFOD donkey. Tickets £3 from the Parish Office or Pat on 735138 until November 27th.

**Friday December 18th: Advent Taize Service** at St Gregory's.

**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

**PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP**  
first Tuesday of every month 7:30pm Parish Centre.

**ST AGNES MONDAY EVENING GROUP**  
7-8.30pm in St Agnes Hall. Not Bank Holidays.

**WEDNESDAY PRAYER GROUP**  
**OUR LADY OF RANSOM**  
7:30pm Parish Centre

**THE KAIROS GROUP**  
Third Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm in St Agnes Hall.

**ST GREGORY'S**  
Every Thursday at 10.00am Rosary

**Sunday December 20th: The Catholic English Bible convention at Ardingly, Haywards Heath** 12 noon to 5pm, led by Fr Xaviour Khan Vattayil and Fr Soji Mathew Olikkal of the Sehion Ministeries. Our Bishop Richard will be participating. A coach is being arranged for participants from Eastbourne. Please contact Tojo Mathew 07450353100 to book a seat.

**'SACRED SPACE'** booklets for Advent: A reading and reflection for each day of the Season: 80 copies have been ordered and will be available at the reception desk of the Parish Office (9.30 to 2pm) from this coming week.

**CONFIRMATION 2016: Application forms are at the back of the church. Please take one and return to the Parish Office.**

**OLR CLUB WINNERS** November: £100 Miss J Kennedy; £50 Mrs J Tunwell; £25 Ms A Bolton; £10 each Mrs S Pegley, Miss E Walsh, Mrs J Sommers.

**DISCIPLESHIP** for 18-35 year olds. Would you like to gather, pray, discuss, socialise and relax in a monthly encounter to meet God where you are? Sundays 6.30 to 8pm starting on January 24th. Further dates on notice board.

**ADVENT SMALL GROUPS:** As a preparation for Christmas, these groups will again be meeting.

Mondays	St Agnes Hall 7pm Victoria Drive 7.15
Wednesdays	Parish Centre 7.30pm Motcombe Road 8pm
Thursdays	St Agnes Hall 10.30am
Fridays	Parish Centre 2.30pm

Meetings start on the week beginning Monday November 23rd. You are warmly encouraged to join one of the groups.

**Redshirt Christmas Draw:** tickets on sale, 50p each. Draw to take place on December 13th after 10.30am Mass.

**IN MEMORIAM:** Please pray for the repose of the souls of Brian Neville whose Requiem is on Thursday November 26th, Katherine Bryden whose Requiem is on Tuesday December 1st, and Kathleen Aitken whose Requiem is on Friday December 4th all at 12 noon in Our Lady of Ransom, and for William Harper whose Requiem is at St Agnes at 10am on Wednesday November 25th. Our sympathy and prayers are with their families.

**LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN TAKEN ILL AND NEED OUR PRAYERS,** especially David Cooke, Jennifer Hayler, Mary Bracuti, Anna Mogford, Denis Buckley 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](mailto:greg.szanto@gmail.com) or Helen James 01323 504313 [barryjames143@btinternet.com](mailto:barryjames143@btinternet.com).

**COLLECTIONS**  
**Our Lady of Ransom & St Gregory's £2779.07**  
**CAFOD £69.21 Retired Priests £1114.33 St Agnes £554.08 CAFOD £2.10 Retired Priests £253.03**  
**Advisory booklets on bequests to the Parish are available from the back of the churches**