

### MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

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

### THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (Is 60:1-6) (Ep 3:2-3.5-6)

<b>Saturday 5</b>	4pm	St Agnes	Jim Needham
	6pm	Our Lady of Ransom	Connie Ratcliffe RIP ( <i>Taylor</i> )
<b>Sunday 6</b>	9.15am	St Gregory's	Gerry Mason RIP & Family ( <i>Mason</i> )
	10.30am	Our Lady of Ransom	Louis & Adrian Marolf RIP ( <i>Marolf</i> )
	11.15am	St Agnes	People of the Parish
	4pm	St Agnes (Ordinariate)	Celebrant's Intention
	5.30pm	Our Lady of Ransom	Sheila O'Neil & Rita Morey ( <i>de Souza</i> )
<b>Monday 7</b>	12noon	Our Lady of Ransom	Caroline Hunt RIP ( <i>Hunt</i> )
	7.30pm	Our Lady of Ransom	(Ordinariate) Celebrant's Intention
<b>Tuesday 8</b>	10am	St Agnes	Susan Neville Jensen RIP & Patrick Joseph Neville RIP ( <i>Neville</i> )
	12noon	Our Lady of Ransom	John Donovan ( <i>Donovan</i> )
<b>Wednesday 9</b>	12noon	Our Lady of Ransom	Maureen Brazier RIP ( <i>SVP</i> )
<b>Thursday 10</b>	10am	St Gregory's	Barrow Family ( <i>Barrow</i> )
	12noon	Our Lady of Ransom	Sheila Lyon RIP
<b>Friday 11</b>	12noon	Our Lady of Ransom	Inyeme Udoyen ( <i>Duncan</i> )
	3pm	DGH	For patients, staff and relatives
<b>Saturday 12</b>	10am	Our Lady of Ransom	The Miraculous Prayer ( <i>Donovan</i> )

### THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (Is 40:1-5.9-11) (Tt 2:11-14.3:4-7)

<b>Saturday 12</b>	4pm	St Agnes	Michael & Julie Elroy RIP ( <i>Perera</i> )
	6pm	Our Lady of Ransom	Chris Condon RIP ( <i>Condon</i> )
<b>Sunday 13</b>	8am	Our Lady of Ransom	Extraordinary Form Jack Atkins
	9.15am	St Gregory's	Don & Pam Withey RIP ( <i>Buchanan</i> )
	10.30am	Our Lady of Ransom	Louise Boruch RIP ( <i>Durrant</i> )
	11.15am	St Agnes	People of the Parish
	4pm	St Agnes (Ordinariate)	Celebrant's Intention
	5.30pm	Our Lady of Ransom	Marion & Arthur Douch RIP ( <i>Douch</i> )

### THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

January 5th/6th, 2019

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#### St Agnes

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Parish Office open Monday-  
Friday 9.30am to 2.30pm  
01323 723222

If no reply then for emergency  
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760048 (Christ the King)  
841504 (St Wilfrid's, Hailsham)

#### SCHOOLS

St Thomas a Becket Catholic  
Primary 737221  
Mrs Rachel Turner

St Richard's Catholic College  
(Secondary)  
Bexhill 01424 731070  
Miss Doreen Cronin

**Gift Aid:** Taxpayers: please  
contact Jennifer 763469  
brazierjb@gmail.com  
if you wish to join the scheme

Charity number 252878

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

Fr Raglan Hay-Will, Fr Tristan Cranfield,

Deacon Paul Scholey

### THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

This great Feast Day is another celebration in the Season of Christmas—and what a magnificent feast it is as it conjures up the scene of the wise men on their journey bearing their precious gifts. We can speculate whether they had been poring over their astrological charts looking for the signs and portents of the birth of Christ, or if they just saw the great star and followed it on a whim, knowing its significance. That is a great romantic thought but it is much more likely that a deal of planning had gone into what they would do when, or if, that star ever shone on them.

In contrast we have Herod in Jerusalem, who reacts with such alarm to their enquiry as to the whereabouts of the 'infant king of the Jews'. He immediately starts plotting to destroy that which he sees as a threat to his own position.

Meanwhile the wise men go on their way totally unaware of the fact that the life of the baby they so desired to see was already in danger. The star again appears to guide them, filling them with delight for they knew then that they were on the right path and could pay homage to their king, the Son of God. A dream saved the baby this time, that baby who would change the world forever, and would dwell in our hearts for all time.

Fr Raglan and Fr Tristan would like to thank everyone for their generosity with the Christmas collection and also for all the hard work and help which went into making our Christmas services so special.

**THIS SUNDAY Epiphany Procession** directly after 10.30am Mass with the Blessed Sacrament, banners and the Three Kings around the neighbouring streets (or around the Church if wet!). The procession has been organised by the Polish community but everyone is invited to take part. Please bring a plate of food to share in the Parish Centre afterwards.

**CONFESSIONS THIS WEEKEND:** Please note there are no Confessions this Saturday evening at Our Lady of Ransom, but Fr Tristan will be available on Sunday January 6th from 4.30pm—5.15pm for those who wishes.

### COMING WEEK

**Tuesday 8th** 3-5pm **A Winter Warm Up Tea** in the Parish Centre. Start the New Year with a warming cuppa or three and our usual tea time delicacies. We have opted for this date to avoid a New Year's Day tea. Next month back to normal. To book please phone the Parish Office 723222 or Pat Morgan 735138. Everyone warmly welcome but do please book.  
**SCHOOL SIGNING DATES** for St Thomas a Becket.

**Tuesday 8th** 9.30am in the Presbytery  
**Thursday 10th** at 7.30pm in the Presbytery

**Tuesday 8th** 8pm Next **Alpha group** meeting in St Agnes Church Hall, 10 Whitley Road, N22 8NJ

### FUTURE EVENTS

**Monday January 14th 7– 9pm** The Diocesan Safeguarding Office training day for those who have a DBS Certificate but have not yet received the **Initial** Training Certificate at Our Lady of Ransom Parish Centre from 7-9pm. Contact Wendy on 07973 186098 [goodman.wp@gmail.com](mailto:goodman.wp@gmail.com) for more information.

**DBS CERTIFICATES** issued in 2015 will soon be due for renewal. It would be very helpful if you could let Wendy know if you are no longer in the role that required a DBS check.

**Wednesday January 16th** Next meeting of the Co-Workers of St M Teresa after 12 noon Mass. Knitting wool and used stamps still needed.

**Thursday January 17th 8pm Parish Centre** RCIA Topic: *The Sacramental Principle & the Trinity.*

#### 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 Wednesday of the month 11 am  
**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**

**CHALKING THE DOORS:** Why not try this traditional Epiphany blessing at home? Simply write the inscription 20 \* C+M+B\*19 in chalk above your front door, while saying the following prayer with your family: *“The three Wise Men, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar followed the star of God’s Son who became man two thousand and nineteen years ago. May Christ bless our home and remain with us throughout the New Year. Amen.*

**GRANDPARENTS January meeting** cancelled. Next meeting February 13th. All Welcome. Contact Judith on 07753613040

**LOURDES PILGRIMAGE:** If you are interested in going to Lourdes next July as a Redshirt or a youth helper and would like some financial help, please contact Maura on 01323 430532. If you would like to learn more about being a Redshirt, please log on to the A&B website and put in REDSHIRTS.

**MEMORY LANE:** a new singing group for people with dementia and their carers to come along together on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at St Agnes Church Hall at 2pm. For further information call Carol on 07800874361.

**MONASTIC EXPERIENCE WEEKEND** Friday 8th to Sunday 10th March at Quarr Abbey on the Isle of Wight. This is designed to give single Catholic men aged 18-35 the opportunity to sample monastic life. It will be of particular interest to those wanting to explore the possibility of a vocation. Contact Brother Duncan at [novicemaster@quarr.org](mailto:novicemaster@quarr.org).

**IN MEMORIAM** please pray for the repose of the soul of Peggy Ryan. Our sympathy and prayers are with her family.

**LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN TAKEN ILL AND NEED OUR PRAYERS,** especially Jose Manuel da Silva, Orja Moon, Paul Neale, Lira Mendes, Dorothy Barnett, Trudy Kelly, Jacqueline Desmond, Trish Ryan, Jim Needham, Shelia O’Grady, Mary Gibbons Phyllis Witham, John Byrne, Natasha Bevington, Pat Twohey, Jean Bradshaw, Rosanna da Sousa, and all our parishioners who are suffering at this time, and their carers.

**SAFEGUARDING:** Our representatives to contact in case of concerns are:  
**Our Lady of Ransom** Wendy Goodman 07973 186098 [goodman.wp@gmail.com](mailto:goodman.wp@gmail.com)  
James Hopkins: [hoppystaxi@gmail.com](mailto:hoppystaxi@gmail.com)  
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**Diocesan Safeguarding Officer:** Philip Wright 01273 241203  
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#### COLLECTIONS

Christmas Offering £8741.88  
w/e 30/12 Our Lady of Ransom & St Gregory’s £2079.98 CAFOD £6.35  
St Agnes £527.89

Advisory booklets on bequests to the Parish are available from the back of the churches.