



COLLECTIONS:

3 Sept OLR & SG £2664 St.Agnes: £202
 10 Sept OLR & SG £2690 St.Agnes:£201

Upcoming Second Collections:

17 September Home Mission Sunday
 24 September Comboni Frs Mission Appeal.
 6 October Cafod Harvest Fast Day

Prayers for the Sick

Sybil Glenister, Pauline Bosley, Pat Higgins, Joan Garbet, Valerie Downey, Gerald Shakespeare, Richard Kenton, Jean Butler and for all our sick & housebound. For those who have recently died: Pat Price, Philip Drake



The "Season of Creation"
 1 September to 4 October.

This year's theme is
 "Let justice roll on like a river,
 righteousness like a never-failing
 stream!" (Amos 5:24).

Together with Pope Francis and St Francis of Assisi we pray, as one great family for **all** of creation that shares Earth, our common home.

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**FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER
 17 & 24 September 2023**

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 16 Sept	OLR	10am	Sarah Brown
	OLR	10.30am	Adoration & Confessions
	OLR	6pm	Patricia Howard & Edmund Clemens RIP
Sun 17 Sept 24th Sunday in Ordinary time	St.G	9am	Kevin Burke & deceased members of Burke family
	OLR	10.15am	People of the Parish
	St.A	11.30am	Lancing CWL Section
	OLR	5.30pm	Anthony Woodhouse RIP
Mon 18 Sept	OLR	11am	Requiem Mass: Maria Rita Teixeira RIP
Tues 19 Sept	OLR	7.30am	Latin Mass: James Moulding RIP
Wed 20 Sept	OLR	11am	Co-Workers Intentions
Thur 21 Sept	OLR	11am	Paddy & David Intentions
Fri 22 Sept	OLR	11am	Natasha
	OLR	6.30pm	Latin Mass: In thanksgiving
Sat 23 Sept	OLR	10am	Barry Taylor RIP
	OLR	10.30am	Adoration & Confessions
	OLR	6pm	Philip Sommers RIP
Sun 24 Sept 25th Sunday in Ordinary time	St.G	9am	Liz Mason special celebration
	OLR	10.15am	People of the Parish
	St.A	11.30am	Joan Kennedy RIP
	OLR	5.30pm	Elizabeth Bolsvert RIP
Mon 25 Sept	OLR	11am	Bernie Townsed RIP
Tues 26 Sept	OLR	7.30am	Latin Mass: In thanksgiving for our Priests
Wed 27 Sept	OLR	11am	Maureen Connor RIP
Thur 28 Sept	OLR	11am	In thanksgiving : Femy Fox
Fri 29 Sept	OLR	11am	Bridget Atkins RIP
	OLR	6.30pm	Latin Mass: Mother of Jesus: in thanksgiving

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 10.40-11.50am & 5-5.45pm (Our Lady of Ransom)
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 10.30-11am; Friday 11.30am – 6pm Benediction; Saturday 10.30am-12pm Benediction
ROSARY: Tuesdays 10.30am St G; OLR after Monday, Wednesday & Thursday Mass
DAILY PRIVATE PRAYER: Our Lady of Ransom Church open daily 8am – 6pm

THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH

This Sunday (17th) is Evangelii Gaudium Sunday (Joy of The Gospel Sunday) recognising that Evangelisation is an essential work of the Church. At all levels, and through every avenue we can utilize, we are called to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with our neighbours and within our local communities. Next Sunday (24th) we welcome Fr Melaku Amente, from the Comboni Missionaries (Verona Fathers) who will be speaking at all Masses and inviting support for all the missionary orders that operate from the UK in many parts of the world. We have our own Parish Mission Prayer, born from a process of prayerful reflection of the Parish Pastoral Team. We will be praying this in all Masses on the first Sunday of every month. I invite as many as possible to come to our Parish Open Meeting on 1st October so we can continue to reflect together on our Mission. I also welcome to her new post Cheryl Wood, a parishioner known to many who has taken on the role of Parish Secretary. May God bless us with a sure and firm foundation of prayer in all that we do.

Fr Kevin

TO VIEW LIVE STREAMED SUNDAY 10.15 AM AND WEEKDAY MASSES GO TO: www.youtube.com/ourladyofransom

PARISH DIARY SEPTEMBER

Wed 20 Sept The Co-Workers of St. Mother Teresa meeting after 11am Mass.

Thur 21 Sept Mothers prayers following Mass

Tues 26 Sept Monthly Eastbourne Hospital Mass. Hospital Chapel 12 noon.

Tues 26 Sept OLR Tea and Social Gathering – 2.30-4.00 pm. Please sign the sheet at the back of the Church.

Wed 27 Sept The Kairos Prayer Group 7.30pm-9pm

Sat 30 Sept OLR Diocesan Marriage Anniversaries Mass with Bishop Richard. 11.30am - See poster in Narthex.

PARISH OPEN MEETING: an invitation to all parishioners on **Sunday 1st October in OLR Hall from 3-5 pm**. We will present reports on finance, pastoral development and other areas of parish life and activity, plus invite feedback and suggestions.

PARISH ACTIVITIES FROM SEPTEMBER - CAN YOU HELP? – As we begin again after the summer we are appealing for new volunteers to help in different ministries: Welcomers at Mass, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Catechists (including Children's Liturgy) and Tea and Coffee rota (Hospitality). Please contact Caroline via the parish office in these weeks at pastoral.eastbourneolor@abdiocese.org.uk for an initial chat.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES MASS – SAT 30 SEPT

11.30 at OLR: this Mass brings together couples from across the Diocese to celebrate with the Bishop. We are hosting and all are welcome. **Please be aware there will be no 10am Mass or Adoration that morning. There will be Confessions from 10-11**

LOURDES REDSHIRT TEAM are now fundraising for 2024 pilgrimage. If you have any unwanted gifts or alcohol we would be delighted to have them, please leave into office or give to Maura after Mass. Dates for your diary:

Fri Oct 27 Parish Quiz (please see poster at back of churches)

Thur Dec 2nd Christmas Fayre, (more info to follow)

Fri Dec 17th Christmas Carol service followed by social gathering.

DEC THE HALL: Refreshments after Mass. Monthly draw after Mass on 3rd Sunday of every month with sausage sandwiches.

OLR MONEY CLUB DRAW RENEWALS: Subscriptions are now due for renewal by Club Members who joined in October 21 or 22 and paid by cheque or bank transfer. Please renew by 1st October for inclusion in future draws, still £5 per number per month. See ways to pay and Registration Forms for new members at the back of the churches – thanks for your support!

ST AGNES LUNCH: Thursday 12th October at 12.30pm
Polish Mass: Every 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month at 6pm

PASTORAL & FAITH DEVELOPMENT

ROSARY FOR PEACE: is prayed every Thursday, *during Exposition* at OLR between 10.20 – 10.50am. Please join in.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING: Commencing this month, following the 11am Mass on Thursdays (unless there is a funeral), there will be one to one Prayers for Healing offered in the Sacred Heart Chapel. These will be led by members of the Padre Pio Prayer Group, using prayers for healing composed by Saint Padre Pio.

The "Season of Creation": Pope Francis has renewed his appeal to us all to do more to limit polluting emissions. He adds, "It is an urgent challenge, it cannot be postponed, it concerns everyone. Let us protect our common home."

Therefore, during this Season let us pray for all those who are suffering as a result of climate injustice, all those who have been misplaced or who have lost their homes, the families and loved ones of the deceased and all those around the world who are suffering as a result of natural disasters. We pray that together we will protect and cherish **all** of God's Creation, and work towards a world where peace and justice reign. (To mark this Season, *The Council of European Bishops* and *The Conference of European Churches* have issued a *Joint Statement and copies are available at the back of the Church*).

Helping our children to value their Faith:

Are you a catechist or a carer, a grandparent or parent and sometimes feel overwhelmed when it comes to helping your children or young people? Help is at hand! *Celebrate* have produced three exciting faith-filled sessions full of ideas and activities to help reignite enthusiasm and engage the young people in your life.

- *Christ Centred Families* – Tips and practical ideas abound in this exciting session.
- *Helping Our Children Learn to Love the Bible* – Great story telling fills this session which is superb for First Holy Communion and Children's Liturgy catechists too.
- *Helping Children have a Personal Relationship with God* – led by Rachel Turner. Many children are a bit uncomfortable talking to God or knowing how to "hear" him. Rachel is the Founder of Parenting for Faith and has some amazing tips and hints that children will love.

To join in, go to www.celebratetrust.org and scroll down.

CAFOD Family Fast Day - Harvest Collection at Masses on

Sunday 8th October: This Harvest season we return to Pakistan where flooding has devastated communities only just rebuilding from last year's rains. Please donate to CAFOD so that families get the expert help they need by using the envelope in church or give online at cafod.org.uk. **Please do support our soup lunch in aid of CAFOD Friday 13th October 2023**

GIFT AID: If you wish to join the scheme to benefit the Parish please contact Nick Price at nickprice8@hotmail.com or 07711243419. **Next Newsletter:** will be issued on 1 Oct. All items for this issue to be sent in by Tues 19 Sept.

A WARM WELCOME: to all who join us for Mass, especially to any visitors. If you are new to the Parish, you too are very welcome. Please introduce yourself to the priest after Mass so that we can properly welcome you!