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FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER
15th & 22nd May 2022 – EASTER TIME

Sunday Collections:
 1st May: OLR/St.G £2,242.00
 St.A: £200.17
 8th May OLR/St.G £2,136.00
 St.A: £243.47
2nd collection (8th May) £667.00
 2nd collection 14/15th May
 Missionary endeavour of the Diocese

Prayers for the Sick
 Sybil Glenister, Pauline Bosley, Pat Higgins, Joan Garbet, Valerie Downey, Roy Sleight, Agnes Phipps, Joy & Gerald Shakespeare, and for all our sick & housebound.
For those who have recently died:
 Gertrude Potton

EASTER PRAYER FOR PARISH RENEWAL
 Lord Jesus,
 Wellspring of love and mercy,
 after this time of separation,
 and as we prepare for Pentecost,
 we pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit for the renewal of our parish.
 May peace be brought to the world and into all hearts.
 Liberate us from fear,
 that we may love more deeply,
 as witnesses of hope and joy,
 as builders of community,
 and heralds of your Gospel.
 May our faith be strengthened,
 that we may see the face of Christ in all. Our Lady of Ransom, St Gregory, and St Agnes pray for us.
 Amen

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS			
Sat 14 May	OLR	10am	Donor's intention
	OLR	10.30am	Adoration & Confessions
	OLR	6pm	Philip Sommers RIP
Sun 15 May	St.G	9am	Slattery family
5th Sunday of Easter	OLR	10.15am	People of the Parish
	St. A	11.30am	Kate McDonagh RIP
	OLR	5.30pm	Pjeter Marko RIP
Mon 16 May	OLR	11am	Madge Mcgrath RIP
Tues 17 May	OLR	7.30am	Extraordinary Form: Orla Byrne RIP
Wed 18 May	OLR	11am	Co workers of St Teresa
Thurs 19 May	OLR	11am	Zita Vieira, Agostino Vieira, Maria Gouveia
Fri 20 May	OLR	11am	Joan Donovan RIP
	OLR	6.30pm	Extraordinary Form: Mother of Jesus
Sat 21 May	OLR	10am	Intentions of Bahram Francis Rafat
	OLR	10.30am	Adoration & Confessions
	OLR	6pm	Paddy & Bridget Duggan RIP
Sun 22 May	St.G	9am	John Paul Redfern RIP
6th Sunday of Easter	OLR	10.15am	Claire Burke RIP
	St. A	11.30am	Lucy Imbusch
	OLR	2.30pm	Confirmation Mass with Bishop Richard
	OLR	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Mon 23 May	OLR	11am	Tomko Tredwin
Tues 24 May	OLR	7.30am	Extraordinary Form: Holy Souls
Wed 25 May	OLR	11am	Angela Roe RIP
Thur 26 May, Holyday	OLR	11am	Meg Marsh RIP
Ascension of the Lord	OLR	7pm	Donor's Intention
Fri 27 May	OLR	11am	Brendan Maguire RIP
	OLR	6.30pm	Extraordinary Form: Patrick Board RIP

CONFESIONS: 10.40-11.50am & 5-5.45pm Saturday (Our Lady of Ransom)
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Fridays 11.30am – 6pm (Benediction)
ROSARY: Tuesdays 10.30am St G; OLR after Monday, Wednesday & Thursday Mass
OUR LADY OF RANSOM church open for prayer 8am – 6pm daily

May is the month of Mary. Around us nature is coming to life with new growth, blossoms, and flowers. The world itself is joining us in rejoicing with the Queen of Heaven at the Resurrection of the Son she was worthy to bear. It is fitting for us to honour Mary this month when we also celebrate our Lady of Fatima. Her message there of prayer and penance included the request to 'pray the Rosary every day for world peace.' How much we need to do this today. Prayer can change the world and it can also change us. Mother Teresa once movingly said, 'I believe there is no one who needs God more than I do. I feel so useless and weak. Because I cannot rely on myself, I rely on him, 24 hours a day. My secret is simple: I pray; I love prayer. The urge to pray is always within me. Prayer enlarges the heart until it is ready to receive God's gift of himself. ... If we want to be capable of loving, we must pray.' St Teresa of Calcutta, Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us. God bless you this month, Fr Bruno

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

DAY OF PRAYER FOR ABUSE VICTIMS & SURVIVORS: Please keep this important intention in your prayer on Tues 17th May

PARISH CENSUS & PENTECOST: Thanks to the many who have now returned the Census Forms. Please take one, if you have not yet done so and return them by 22nd May. Thank you.

PARISH PENTECOST CELEBRATION: on **Saturday 4th June** a **Parish Pentecost Celebration** at OLR with **Holy Hour from 5pm**, followed by a multi-cultural **Mass at 6pm**. Please pray for David Coates and Philip Perry who will be Confirmed into the Catholic Church at this celebration. Afterwards we will have a shared Supper and Party in the Hall. Contributions of multi-cultural already plated **COLD FINGER FOOD** will be gratefully received (i.e. doesn't require heating or cutlery to be eaten). We hope you can be part of the celebration!

REPOSITORY SALE – SUNDAY 22nd May: there will be a sale of religious articles, gifts, and cards from 9.45 – 11.45

UKRAINE CAFÉ: we are very happy that the Ukraine Community Café will begin operating on Saturday mornings from our Parish Hall, with some parishioners helping as volunteers. We keep this important project in our prayers

CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE: our prayers and congratulations to many young adults from Eastbourne and beyond who will be Confirmed in OLR on Sunday 22nd May by Bishop Richard.

MONTHLY EASTBOURNE HOSPITAL MASS: a monthly Mass at **12 pm** on the **last Tuesday of each month** is celebrated in the Hospital Chapel, to which anyone is invited who would like to come and pray with and for the staff and patients.

BUILDING & DECORATION WORKS AT OLR: we are pleased that we have now begun some major roof repairs at OLR plus redecoration of the large, scaffolded area inside the church.

CO-WORKERS OF ST. MOTHER TERESA: Next meeting after morning Mass, 18th May at OLR. New members welcome (3rd Wed of month) for Mass and meeting (bring packed lunch) a time of prayer, readings and the Rosary. We support the work of St. Teresa's Sisters in London & Swansea, The Cardinal Winning pro-life initiative in Glasgow, Matthew 25 in Eastbourne, knit baby clothes and collect used stamps to raise funds.

ST AGNES LUNCHES: 2nd Thursday of the month at 12 noon .£3.50p. All welcome.

PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM, 27-29 MAY If you have any prayer requests we will gladly offer them on your behalf during our pilgrimage. Please hand them into the parish office or email them to Cheryl at 'c-wood8@sky.com' by 25 May. Thank you.

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!

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP: meeting in the parish centre committee room on the **second Monday of every month at 7.30 pm**. Next meeting on 13 June. New members are welcome to join us in prayer to this wonderful Saint. For more info: 01323 504417.

ENRICHMENT TALKS: OLR Hall Thursdays, 7.30pm – 8.30pm
19th May : A Priest in Peru - life & ministry in the Andes. (Fr Kevin).
26th May : Eucharistic Adoration. (Caroline Rother).
9th June : Henry VIII and Annulment. (John de Waal).
23rd June : Love of Neighbour - examples from Jesus in the Gospels. (John Kimberley).

ADORATION WITH PRAYERS FOR OUR PRIESTS. Every Thursday @ Christ the King, 5.30pm till 7pm Holy Mass.

FUNERAL PLANNING WORKSHOP: Thursday 19th May 11.45am (after morning Mass) in the Hall. Over a cup of coffee Fr Kevin will guide through practicalities in planning a funeral service (your own or somebody else's!). All are welcome.

"SAINTS & SINNERS CONCERT": Our Lady of Ransom, Saturday 28th May (7:30-9.30 pm): with refreshments interval mid-way. An evening of secular and sacred music and storytelling, exploring and celebrating the journey of faith as saints and sinners on the road. John Holmstrom (keyboard) and Dominic Dring (saxophone, flute and vocals) with special guests. Donation (suggested £5-£10) on the night, with money raised towards JPK Project in Eastbourne, supporting adults with learning difficulties. This is part of a series of concerts across Sussex churches: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/saints-and-sinners-on-the-road-tickets-331093187637

JUBILEE CELEBRATION/UKRAINE FUNDRAISING DAY ON FRIDAY JUNE 3rd. It will start with a Mass of thanksgiving for HM the Queen at 11.00, followed by a light lunch and afternoon of fun in the hall/car park. Tickets are £3 and MUST be bought in advance from parish office or Maura 430532. Prizes for best decorated cake and drawing/painting of the Queen (all ages). Come and see the beautiful crowns and paintings our school children will be displaying) raffle, tombola, treasure hunt, sing a long with Marylou, games, music quiz, face painting, cake judging and auction, maybe even a wet sponge villains stock (volunteers needed!)

TEA & COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY 10.15 MASS: Do come and join us for Tea/coffee after Mass today, and every Sunday.

OLR MUSIC GROUP: Do you play an instrument? Would you like to be part of our newly formed music group at OLR? They will be playing the 3rd Sunday of every month. Please contact Maura 01323 430532.

GIFT AID: If any parishioner wishes to join the scheme please contact Nick Price on 07711243419 or nickprice8@hotmail.com

Next Newsletter: The next newsletter will be issued on 15 May. All items for this issue to be sent in by May 10th. **Mass Intentions:** When requesting a Mass, please keep it to **ONE** intention. **Note:** **Sunday 10.15am Mass is generally for the People of the Parish**