



Sunday Collection

OLR & St Gregory: 24th April £1945
St Agnes: 24th April £177.56

2nd collection 7/8th May
Education of future Priests

Thank you once again for your kind and generous Easter Offering

Prayers for the Sick

Sybil Glenister, Pauline Bosley, Pat Higgins, Joan Garbet, Valerie Downey, Roy Sleigh, Agnes Phipps, Joy & Gerald Shakespeare, and for all our sick & housebound.

For those who have recently died:

**Joan Donovan, Marie Norris,
Chrisanthi Perera**

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

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FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER **1st & 8th May 2022 –EASTER TIME**

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 30 April	OLR OLR OLR	10am 10.30am 6pm	Valerie Gray RIP Adoration & Confessions Frank Collins RIP
Sun 1 May 3rd Sunday of Easter	St.G OLR St. A OLR	9.00am 10.15am 11.30am 5.30pm	Claire Burke RIP People of the Parish Armanda Caires Gouveia RIP Donald Ashford RIP
Mon 2 May	OLR	11 am	Paula Duggan RIP
Tues 3 May	OLR OLR	7.30am 11am	Extraordinary Form: Fr Sijo & Fr Luke Requiem: Chrisantha Perera RIP
Wed 4 May	OLR	11am	George Harding RIP
Thurs 5 May	OLR OLR	11am 2.30pm	Luis Porfirio Ferreira Requiem: Marie Norris RIP
Fri 6 May	OLR OLR	11am 6.30pm	Paul Strydherst RIP Extraordinary Form : Holy Souls
Sat 7 May	OLR OLR OLR	10am 10.30am 6 pm	Florence & John Stonehouse RIP Adoration & Confessions Judy Rowland RIP
Sun 8 May Good Shepherd Sunday	St.G OLR St. A OLR	9.00am 10.15am 11.30am 5.30pm	Michael Aquilina RIP People of the Parish Teresa Dillon White RIP Derek Morgan RIP
Mon 9 May	OLR	11am	Tony Houry RIP
Tues 10 May	OLR OLR	7.30am 11am	Extraordinary Form: Nora Woulfe RIP Requiem: Mary Neville RIP
Wed 11 May	OLR	11am	Requiem : Joan Donovan RIP
Thurs 12 May	OLR	11am	Katherine Malone RIP
Fri 13 May	OLR OLR	11am 6.30pm	Roger Schoolcraft RIP Extraordinary Form: Kathleen Kelly & B. Doyle

CONFESSIONS: 11am & 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

EASTER JOY AMIDST THE PAIN

The pain in Ukraine has made us all aware of the power of our Christian Easter faith, a message of hope that transcends brutality, suffering and death, that bridges East and West, Catholic and Orthodox. I share with you below some touching words sent to me a few days ago from Fr Adrian, the Romanian Orthodox priest who gathers to celebrate with his community every Sunday in one of our churches (St Gregory's):
"It is a special moment for the whole of Christendom we are going through, but especially for the two pillars of Christendom, the Church of the West and the Church of the East. During this period, I ask our God Jesus Christ, the Risen One, to revive in the souls of all believers in our churches the hope of forgiveness of sins and salvation of souls and dwelling with saints in the Kingdom of God. Christ is risen!"
I also share a small but good piece of news. Through an organisation working with refugees, our OLR Hall will begin a trial from 28th May as a Café for Ukrainian refugees on Saturday mornings. There will be an open meeting on Sat 7th May in the Hall at 10.45 for those interested in possibly helping. May the Risen Lord bless them and continue to cast his light and peace into all hearts.

Fr Kevin

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

NEW SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE: SAT 6 PM (OLR); SUN 9 AM (ST G); 10.15 AM (OLR); 11.30 AM (ST A); 5.30 PM (OLR).

PARISH CENSUS & PENTECOST: We invite every household to complete a **Census and Volunteering Form**. Through Eastertide we pray our **Prayer for Parish Renewal** (composed by parishioners). **A date for your diary:** on **Saturday 4th June** a **Parish Pentecost Celebration** at OLR with Holy Hour from 5pm, a multi-cultural Mass at 6pm followed by a shared Supper and Party in the Hall. We hope you can be part of the celebration!

COVID SAFETY: let us continue to try to take all sensible precautions to protect one another from unnecessary risks, while Covid infections are still high. Thanks to everyone for helping to make the church as safe an environment as possible for all parishioners, especially the most vulnerable.

INVITED SEASON II: a wonderful Diocesan run programme of prayer and faith formation every Monday during Eastertide, started Monday 18th April. The weekly sessions involve a video becoming available each Monday eve via the Diocesan website and then a group discussion on Thursday eve from 7.30-8.30. **To register please go to: www.abdiocese.org.uk/invited**

BUILDING & DECORATION WORKS AT OLR: at the end of May, we will hope to begin some major roof repairs at OLR plus redecoration of the large, scaffolded area inside the church. We look forward to the work being completed as soon as possible.

GIFT AID: a big thank you is extended to all contributors to the Parish through this scheme. The Parish has benefited by over £20,000 in refunds from HMRC in 2021/2. If any parishioner wishes to join the scheme please contact Nick Price on 07711243419 or nickprice8@hotmail.com. Any current contributor who wishes to have a statement of their contributions for the tax year 2021/2 please contact Nick Price (as above) by 31st May.

INFANT BAPTISM: Those wishing to have a child Baptised, and who are resident in the Eastbourne Parish (Our Lady of Ransom, St Agnes, St Gregory's, postcodes BN20, BN21 and BN22), please email the office, or pick up a Baptism Registration Form from the back of the Church. Info is provided with the form

ST AGNES MONTHLY LUNCHEAS: Thursdays from 12th May at 12 noon

PILGRIMAGE TO WALSHINGHAM: 12 places have been booked (4 left) for two nights, half board, from Friday 27 May. With car sharing the approximate cost is £180. Interested? please contact Cheryl at 'c-wood8@sky.com' or on 07976 972010.

CONTACTLESS MACHINE: No cash for the offertory? There is now a contactless card machine at Our Lady of Ransom. Just choose the amount of your donation, and the parish will directly benefit.

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP: meeting in the parish centre committee room on the **second Monday of every month at 7.30 pm**, commencing on 9th May. 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 support given towards local charities. This is part of a series of concerts across Sussex churches.

QUEEN'S JUBILEE – UKRAINE FUNDRAISING EVENT: We are delighted to announce an exciting event for Ukraine on June 3rd. It will start with a thanksgiving Mass to celebrate the Queens jubilee at 11am, followed by lunch and an afternoon of fun, all for only £3 (children under 5 free) All details on OLR website and on posters in churches. Tickets from parish office (9.30am-1.30pm: Weds 12 noon) or Maura 01323 430532 also on sale after some of the Masses Prizes for best homemade decorated cake (all cakes then auctioned) and best portrait of Queen (open to all ages), so get baking and painting!

TEA & COFFEE AFTER 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.

APRIL 2022 OLR MONEY CLUB DRAW WINNERS:

1st Prize £109 - Dennis Heard-White; 2nd Prize £68 - Nisha Gertrude Jose; 3rd Prize £54 - Anne Knowles; 4th Prize £27 - Angela Rawlinson; 'Easter Special' £90 - Beatrice Jackson. **Next draw** Sunday, 15th May after the 10.15am Mass; bacon butties, tea/coffee all for £1.50; New OLR Draw Club Members welcome, Registration Forms at the back of the churches. Money Draw Gift Vouchers for Birthdays, Anniversaries, Thank You, etc. from £5 for 1 draw - Maura 01323 430532 or Reception.

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 short due to space:
Note: Sunday 10.15am Mass is always for People of the Parish

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!

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