



THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF RANSOM 2-4 Grange Road, BN21 4EU  
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 Fr Kevin Dring (Parish Priest)  
 Fr Bruno Witchalls (Assistant Priest)

**Sunday Collections:**

9/10 July OLR/St.G £2,330; St.A: £200  
 16/17 July OLR/St.G £2,508; St.A: £223

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: £1,043 (Apos of the Sea)

**Prayers for the Sick**

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

**For those who have recently died:**

Maria Xavier, Barbara Barnard, Joy Shakespeare, Colin Young

*“Rest is so necessary for the health of our minds and bodies, and often so difficult to achieve due to the many demands placed on us. But rest is also essential for our spiritual health, so that we can hear God’s voice and understand what he asks of us.”*

**Pope Francis**

**FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER  
 24<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> JULY 2022**

**MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS**

Sat 23 July	OLR OLR OLR	10am 10.30am 6pm	Carlo Manfredi RIP <b>Adoration &amp; Confessions</b> Romeo Andre RIP
<b>Sun 24 July 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary time</b>	St.G OLR St.A OLR	9am 10.15am 11.30am 5.30pm	Robin Butler & family RIP The Catenians Derek & Margaret Moorton Health & Welfare of Rev. John O’Toole
Mon 25 July	OLR	11am	C.J.Abraham RIP
Tues 26 July	OLR	7.30am	<b>Extraordinary Form:</b> Margaret Borza RIP
Wed 27 July	OLR	11am	Bridget Atkins
Thurs 28 July	OLR	11am	Kathleen Grace RIP
Fri 29 July	OLR OLR	11am 6.30pm	Holy Souls <b>NO MASS</b>
Sat 30 July	OLR OLR OLR	10am 10.30am 6pm	Anna Mogford RIP <b>Adoration &amp; Confessions</b> Brian Friday RIP
<b>Sun 31 July 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary time</b>	St.G OLR St.A OLR	9am 10.15am 11.30am 5.30pm	Eileen Davis & family People of the Parish Emma Moulding RIP Derek Thompson
Mon 1 Aug	OLR	11am	Frank Callus
Tues 2 Aug	OLR	7.30am	<b>NO MASS</b>
Wed 3 Aug	OLR	11am	Ascencai de Barros, Julio & Marco Gomes
Thurs 4 Aug	OLR	11am	<b>REQUIEM:</b> Joy Shakespeare RIP
Fri 5 Aug	OLR OLR	11am 6.30pm	John Zilioli & family <b>NO MASS</b>

**CONFESSIONS: 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 private prayer 8am – 6pm daily**

**SUMMER HOLIDAYS**

With schools now broken up for the summer we wish the children, families, teachers and staff, and all parishioners safe and restful holidays, at home or away. Next Thursday (28<sup>th</sup>) begins the Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage, for which we ask God’s blessing and know that we will be remembered in the prayers of pilgrims, especially our own from Eastbourne. With Mary in the office taking a well-earned holiday, as well as Fr Bruno and I taking time away in the coming weeks, the Parish Office will be closed through August and there will be a single Newsletter covering the month. We’ll also be working over the summer to process as many offers of volunteering as we can from the recent Parish Census. Thanks again to all for the willingness to help! We are also looking to employ a Pastoral Assistant (see overleaf), a role very much linked to supporting all the volunteering in the parish. **FINALLY**, as we enter holiday time, Pope Francis reminds us of the importance of spiritual renewal and refreshment. The Gospel readings over the next 2 Sundays give us solid “food for thought”, teaching us on confidence in prayer (“seek, knock, ask ...”), and the radical call of Jesus to not cling to the security of earthly possessions (“filling our barns to overflowing”) but instead placing our confidence in God and the Kingdom, above all else.

Fr Bruno and I we wish you all Happy and Refreshing weeks ahead! God bless. Fr Kevin

**TO VIEW LIVE STREAMED SUNDAY 10.15 AM AND WEEKDAY MASSES GO TO: [www.youtube.com/ourladyofransom](http://www.youtube.com/ourladyofransom)**

**PARISH PASTORAL ASSISTANT ADVERTISEMENT:** our Parish is seeking to employ a Pastoral Assistant to begin in post in early September. This role will be 10 hours per week (£11ph). The role will be to support the parish in the development of pastoral and sacramental programmes, to oversee the coordination and resourcing of catechists and all those in the many lay ministries in the parish. If you would like further details or wish to apply for this role please contact Fr Kevin directly by email via the Parish Office. The closing date for applications is 9am on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August.

**VISIT OF FR NICK HARDEN TO OUR PARISH:** we are delighted that Fr Nick, who was in the parish as a seminarian a couple of years ago and was Ordained as a priest just a few weeks ago, will be coming to celebrate the OLR **Sunday 10.15 Mass on 21<sup>st</sup> August**, followed by coffee and cakes in the Parish Centre. There won't be a collection but we will be presenting a card and suitable gift for him from the parish.

**UPCOMING EASTBOURNE HOSPITAL SERVICES:** Mass at 12pm on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July** in the Hospital Chapel, to which anyone is invited who would like to come and pray with and for the staff and patients. **ALSO** there will be an **Ecumenical Service** in the Hospital Chapel led by our parish (Deacon Paul Scholey) on **Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July at 3pm**

**ENRICHMENT TALKS 2022-23:** a programme of new talks will be prepared and published after the summer. If anyone has an idea for a topic, please make your suggestions via the parish office, using the title **Suggestion for Faith Talks**.

**A DAY AT THE SEASIDE FOR YOUNG ADULTS (18-35) (rescheduled) Saturday 20 August at Our Lady Star of the Sea, East Preston at 11am** with Fr Stephen Ortiger. Fr Stephen, a Benedictine monk is looking forward to celebrating Mass. After Mass we will walk along the sea front to a beach side cafe where we will share lunch together: email: lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk for more information.

**CO-WORKERS OF ST. MOTHER TERESA:** Next Meeting Wednesday September 21st in the Parish Centre. 11am Mass, followed by the meeting.

**ST AGNES:** The next Thursday lunch will be 15<sup>th</sup> September at 12 noon, £3.50. All welcome.

St Agnes parishioner, Colin Young, Wartling Rd, died suddenly whilst visiting Ireland. His funeral was in Ireland. Memorial Service details to follow.

**Polish Mass** every 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month at 6pm

**OLR REPOSITORY SALE – SUNDAY 31<sup>st</sup> JULY:** there will be a sale of religious articles, gifts, and cards from 9.45 – 11.45. There is new stock purchased so come and see what's available!

**THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVP)** is a Christian voluntary group in our parish dedicated to tackling poverty in its many forms by providing practical assistance to people in need. Visiting is at the centre of what we do; spending time befriending people is our greatest gift. As well as offering friendship and support, we help with food, clothes, furniture and financial help where possible. If you know of any individual or family in our community who may need our support then please let the SVP know by contacting Alison Parsons on 01323 644363 or Email: [parsonsj87@gmail.com](mailto:parsonsj87@gmail.com).

**MOTHER'S PRAYERS:** after the 11am Mass in the Parish Prayer room on **FIRST and THIRD THURSDAYS** of the month. New members welcome. For more info please call Mary 01323 732907 or Teresa 01323 733487.

**JULY 2022 OLR MONEY CLUB DRAW WINNERS:**  
1<sup>st</sup> Prize £110 - John O'Brien; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize £68 - Agnes Phipps;  
3<sup>rd</sup> Prize £55 - Angela Rawlinson; 4<sup>th</sup> Prize £27 - Pamela Francis.

**NEXT DRAW SUNDAY,** 21st August after the 10.15am Mass; New OLR Draw Club Members welcome, Registration Forms at the back of the churches. Give Money Draw Gift Vouchers for Birthdays, Thank You, etc. from £5 for 1 draw - Maura 01323 430532 or Reception

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:** Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm. (Feast of Our Lady of Ransom) a return of the popular **Curry Night** in aid of Parish Maintenance and general improvements. Tickets £15.00 on sale after Masses from 28<sup>th</sup> August and at the office during office hours. There will be a licensed bar so please do not bring your own drink as this goes against our licensing conditions. Posters will be around the back of the church with details about the menu.

**TEA & COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY 10.15 MASS:** Do come and join us for Tea/coffee after Mass in the Parish Centre.

**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](mailto:nickprice8@hotmail.com)

**NEWSLETTER & PARISH OFFICE DURING AUGUST:** There will be a **single August Newsletter** running from 6<sup>th</sup> August to 2nd September. Also please note the **Parish Office will be closed from 1<sup>st</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> August**. Items for the September Newsletter by 30 August

**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!