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Sunday Collections:

10/11 June OLR & SG £2,584 St.A £214

17/18 June OLR & SG £2,894 St.A £349

Upcoming Second Collections:

2nd July Peter's Pence

9th July Sea Sunday

Prayers for the Sick

Sybil Glenister, Pauline Bosley, Pat Higgins, Joan Garbet, Valerie Downey, Gerald Shakespeare, Theresa Kitchner, Richard Kenton, and for all our sick & housebound.

For those who have recently died:

Jo Durrant, Patricia McCallion

Bridget Towers

PARISH MISSION PRAYER



Loving God

We seek to live as a vibrant and welcoming Community centred on the Holy Eucharist.

We invite others to join us in growing together, in a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, experienced and lived through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Recognising that everything is a gift from God, to be treasured and shared, we commit to serving others, to promoting peace and justice, and to caring for creation for the benefit of all.

Our Lady of Ransom, St Gregory & St Agnes

Pray for us, Amen

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

25th June & 2nd July 2023

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 24 June	OLR OLR OLR	10am 10.30am 6pm	Roy Sleigh RIP Adoration & Confessions Terence North RIP
Sun 25 June Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary time	St.G OLR St.A OLR	9am 10.15am 11.30am 5.30pm	Private Intention People of the Parish Katie McDonagh RIP Kathleen Mills RIP
Mon 26 June	OLR	11am	Edith & John Ashworth, Thomas & Bessie Dugnall
Tues 27 June	OLR	7.30am	Extraordinary Form: Holy Souls
Wed 28 June	OLR	11am	Requiem Mass: Patricia McCallion RIP
Thurs 29 June Holy day of Obligation Sts Peter & Paul	OLR OLR	11am 7pm	Michael Stanton RIP Kip & May Threader RIP
Fri 30 June	OLR	11am 6.30pm	Requiem Mass: Jo Durrant RIP Extraordinary Form: Joan Kennedy RIP
Sat 1 July	OLR OLR OLR	10am 10.30am 6pm	Bryan Barrow RIP Adoration & Confession Anthony Woodhouse RIP
Sun 2 July Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary time	St.G OLR St.A OLR	9am 10.15am 11.30am 5.30pm	Alison Mason Elizabeth Cullen RIP Isidro Leon RIP Rocco Macari
Mon 3 July	OLR	11am	Shirley Brass & Michael Collins
Tues 4 July	OLR	7.30am	Extraordinary Form: Barbara Nightingale
Wed 5 July	OLR	11am	Lily Paul RIP
Thurs 6 July	OLR	11am	Requiem Mass: Bridget Towers RIP
Fri 7 July	OLR OLR	11am 6.30pm	Erika Ferreira RIP Extraordinary Form: Patrick Glynn RIP

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

A GRACE FILLED WEEKEND

Last weekend was a truly blessed weekend in and for our parish. To have celebrated the First Holy Communion of 48 young children over the course of our Sunday morning Masses, and then the Confirmations in Arundel Cathedral of our young adults that same afternoon. The eyes are often described, with good reason, as “the window of the soul”. It was very moving having a glimpse into the souls of all our young people as they received the Gifts and Grace of God in these Sacraments. Being touched by the gentle force of God’s love, even when not fully understood ... as it never is by any of us, is a powerful and uplifting experience. We pray that our young parishioners, with the help and encouragement of us all, may build upon the Grace they received last weekend as they continue their journey of faith. Thanks also to all the families and Catechists who have supported them on this journey, and all parishioners for supporting one another on our Journey of Faith. God bless, Fr Kevin

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

PARISH DIARY – JUNE/JULY

Sun 25 June – Children’s Liturgy OLR – 10.15am Mass

Mon 26 June – SVP meeting – 5pm in the Conference Room

Thur 29 June – Mothers’ Prayers – 11.30 in the Conference Room

Tues 27 June – Tea and Social Gathering – 2.30-4.00 pm – a special Celebration of Summer with fun and goodies! Please sign up on the sheet at the back of the Church. **This is very important.**

Thurs 29 June – Life of Christ – Wintershall. **Do not forget your packed lunch** 8am in OLR car park for departure

Sat 1 July – Confirmation Going Forth Mass and party

Wed 5 July - Kairos Charismatic Prayer Group Meeting – 7.15pm in the Parish Centre

SEA SUNDAY – 9TH JULY: we support with Prayer and a Collection the important chaplaincy work of Stella Maris, formerly Apostleship of the Sea, caring for merchant seafarers coming into our ports.

PRE-LOURDES PILGRIMAGE PARISH GATHERING: on Tues 18th July we invite all those who will be coming to Lourdes on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to come together for a Mass at 6pm in OLR followed by refreshments and info meeting in the hall. It will be nice to see who we all are before we head off to Lourdes the following week!

PARISH OFFICE: our recently appointed Parish Secretary, Ann Marie, has discerned that for various reasons the job was not right for her. We thank her for her work in recent weeks and wish her well for the future. Cheryl Wood, a parishioner known to many of you, has kindly agreed to provide temporary cover over the coming summer weeks.

CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION RETREAT FOR HEALTHCARE WORKERS: Tyburn Abbey, 8-9 Hyde Park Pl, London W2 2LJ, on July 15th 9.15am - 4pm. Led by Fr Michael Jarmulovic who is a priest in Westminster Diocese and a Medical doctor. Discussion on the Eucharist and healing in the morning and then Discipleship in the workplace. Mass at 12 and Adoration and Confession. The event is free and open to all healthcare staff. Refreshments provided but please bring a packed lunch. Contact Mary Thurston 07806498301 or m.thurston1@nhs.net for further information.

ST THOMAS A BECKET CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL SUMMER FUNDRAISER: takes place on Saturday 15th July. Big Top Circus Tickets are available to buy from www.pta-events.co.uk/stab the day.

KAIROS CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP - The new parish Charismatic prayer group, “KAIROS” meets fortnightly on Wednesdays, **from 7.15-9.00 pm in the Parish Centre.** Everyone is welcome. with praise and worship, praying with the Scriptures, Lectio Divina, meditation, teaching, sharing and praying for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit. **All are welcome.**

ANNUAL MISSION APPEAL RESCHEDULED: due to the priest who was going to be with us being unwell, we have rescheduled the Mission Appeal to September 23/24th.

St Agnes: Polish Mass: Every 2nd & 3rd Sunday of the month 6pm.

St Agnes Lunch: Thurs 13 July @ 12.30pm. 2 courses - £3.50.

PASTORAL AND FAITH DEVELOPMENT

Rosary For Peace

Prayed every Thursday, *during Exposition* at OLR between 10am-10.50am. Please join in.

The call to work in the harvest:

We hear a lot these days about the difficulties of farmers reaping their harvests in these difficult times. Harvest was an image used by Jesus too for calling his followers to work in the harvest of the kingdom of God. Jesus calls each of us, just as he called the twelve, to continue his loving ministry in our needy world today. At Baptism, we receive the water of God's love and the oil of service, completed in Confirmation, Marriage and Ordination. In a world of brokenness and struggle, Jesus sees people 'like sheep without a shepherd'. He calls us all to play our part, for: “The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest”. We pray always for new vocations to the Priesthood, but as we continue praying our new Parish Mission Prayer let us all ask for that generosity to be active in the harvest of our community, becoming true disciples who bring the good news to all.

An Invitation from CAFOD: Bishop Richard has already signed.

You are invited to sign a giant letter in the coming days, from a small-scale farmer called Salina, who lives in Bangladesh.

CAFOD, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, works with small farmers around the world who produce lots of the world's food. But many of them are facing a huge problem. For hundreds of years, they have freely used and shared their own seeds, but laws are being passed that limit what they are allowed to do with their own seeds, giving them little choice but to buy more expensive seeds from large companies. These laws make it even harder for small farmers and their families to produce enough food. This is why Salina is writing a letter to the World Bank, which has a lot of influence over agricultural issues, asking them to protect the rights of small farmers to use and share their own seeds. ***Please sign your name, once the forms are available, under Salina's name to add your support*** (your first name or full name is fine – this is not a petition, it's a show of support). Thank you and see cafod.org.uk/food for more information.

JUNE 2023 OLR MONEY CLUB DRAW WINNERS:

1st Joan Ritchie £113; 2nd Daphne Fitzgerald £71

3rd John D'Arcy £56; 4th Pamela Francis £28

Next draw - Sunday 16th July.

New Members always welcome - Registration Forms at the back of the church.

GIFT AID: If any contributor to the parish gift aid scheme would like a statement of contributions for the tax year 2022/3 please contact Nick Price on 07711 243419 by 30th June. nickprice8@hotmail.com. If you wish to join the Gift Aid scheme contact Nick as above.

Next Newsletter: The next newsletter will be issued on 9th July. All items for this issue to be sent in by 30 June (new deadline).

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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