



THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF RANSOM 2-4 Grange Road, BN21 4EU
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SINGLE AUGUST NEWSLETTER

Sat 6 th August The Transfiguration of The Lord	OLR OLR OLR	10am 10.30am 6pm	Sarah Casey Adoration & Confessions Mike de Waal Health and Welfare
Sun 7 th August 19th Sunday Ordinary time	St.G OLR St.A OLR	9am 10.15am 11.30am 5.30pm	Don Gallagher RIP Frederick Hunter RIP Armanda Caires Gouveia RIP Luis Porfirio Ferreira
Mon 8 Aug	OLR	11am	People of the Parish
Tues 9 Aug	OLR St.A	7.30am 11am	Extraordinary Form: Agnes Kessler RIP Requiem Mass: Maria Xavier RIP
Wed 10 Aug	OLR	11am	Gerard Kennedy RIP
Thurs 11 Aug	OLR	11am	Sorcha Greene RIP
Fri 12 Aug	OLR OLR	11am 6.30pm	Martin Casey RIP James Boyle RIP
Sat 13 Aug	OLR OLR OLR	10am 10.30am 6pm	Joan Donovan RIP Adoration & Confessions Maria Jose da Silva and Zelia Sa
Sun 14 August The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary	St.G OLR St.A OLR	9am 10.15am 11.30am 5.30pm	Bernard Sanderson RIP People of the Parish Richard Sherlock RIP Mary Schulte RIP
Mon 15 Aug	OLR	11am	Catherine Zarian-Oakes
Tues 16 Aug	OLR	7.30am	Extraordinary Form: Agostinho Jorge Vieira
Wed 17 Aug	OLR	11am	Ann Feeney wellbeing
Thurs 18 Aug	OLR	11am	Jack & Teresa O'Brien: Diamond Wedding Anniversary
Fri 19 Aug	OLR OLR	11am 6.30pm	Mary Barber RIP William Hastings RIP
Sat 20 Aug	OLR OLR OLR	10am 10.30am 6pm	Robin Butler RIP Adoration & Confessions Holy Souls
Sun 21 August 21st Sunday Ordinary time	St.G OLR St.A OLR	9am 10.15am 11.30am 5.30pm	Pierce Buckley RIP People of the Parish Leslie Gee RIP Connie & Stan Ratcliffe RIP
Mon 22 Aug	OLR	11am	Maria Jose Teixeira
Tues 23 Aug	OLR	7.30am	Thanks to Our Lady for prayers answered
Wed 24 Aug	OLR	11am	Sr Rose Marie
Thurs 25 Aug	OLR	11am	Memorial Mass for Colin Young RIP
Fri 26 Aug	OLR	11am 6.30pm	Gill Lee Fr David Parmiter
Sat 27 Aug	OLR OLR OLR	10am 10.30am 6pm	Fr Nick Harden Adoration & Confessions Kit Newman & Dot Baxter RIP
Sun 28 August 22nd Sunday Ordinary time	St.G OLR St.A OLR	9am 10.15am 11.30am 5.30pm	Mathew Smelts RIP Anthony Lyons RIP Mary Sheppard Janet Butler
Mon 29 Aug	OLR	11am	Jack O'Brien
Tues 30 Aug	OLR	7.30am	Thanksgiving to the Holy Trinity
Wed 31 Aug	OLR	11am	Sarah Brown
Thurs 1 Sep	OLR	11am	Donald Gallagher RIP
Fri 2 Sep	OLR	11am 6.30pm	Joan Donovan RIP Sheila White RIP

LOOKING BACK ... LOOKING FORWARD

For me this past year has been a roller coaster of activity: learning names and faces and tuning in to the rhythm of life here in our Parish and in Eastbourne. It's been a good year as we have been able to emerge from the restrictions of the pandemic and see many people happily returning to Church. I thank my brother priest, Fr Bruno, and Mary and the extended office / admin team, and all of you who build up the Parish through the care of our churches, the care of people, the celebration of the liturgy, catechists, and in so many ways. Everyone has a part to play! We will be seeing lots of new volunteers taking up roles in the autumn which will be great, as well as a Pastoral Assistant beginning in September to help coordinate all this important work of our parish. Everything we do is always for the Glory of God and the building up of the whole community in faith, hope, and love. We look forward to a fruitful year ahead!

Have a restful August and God bless you all

Fr Kevin

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

At the heart of parish life is preparing people – young and older – to receive the Sacraments: *Adults coming into the Church (RCIA); First Reconciliation and Communion; Confirmation; Marriage; Baptism*. Thanks to our wonderful catechists who already help and to those who, please God, will begin assisting in the new programmes below.

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA): Is it for YOU? We're all on a "journey of faith" which is unique and personal, and which is greatly enriched when we come together and share with others. Maybe you're a non-Catholic Christian accompanying your family to the Catholic Church, and now feel drawn to become part of this community of faith. Maybe your "roots" are in another religion, or in none. Maybe you're a Baptised Catholic but never received, as a young person, the Sacrament of Confirmation. In November we begin a new programme. If you are interested, please complete and return the form in the Porch by Friday 21st October or speak to one of the Priests to find out more.

First Holy Communion: Enrolment Forms for First Holy Communion Programme 2022-23 (those entering Year 3 or above) are available in the Porch. The course will begin with an Introductory Meeting on Saturday 12th November. Deadline for enrolment is Friday 21st October.

Lumen Christi group offers formation for those young Catholics in school years 9-13, with consideration given to seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation (subject to discernment). Registration forms are available in the Porch.

Baptism Forms: available in the Porch with all details of Baptism courses through to next summer.

Marriage Enquiries: please email the Parish Office for further information.

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 recently Ordained will be coming to celebrate the OLR **Sunday 10.15 Mass on 21st August**, followed by coffee and cakes in the Parish Centre.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: Saturday 24th September at 7pm. (Feast of Our Lady of Ransom) **Curry Night** in aid of Parish Maintenance and general improvements. Tickets £15.00 on sale after Masses from 28th August and at the office during office hours. There will be a licensed bar so please do not bring your

HOSPITAL MASS AND CARE OF THE SICK: The monthly Mass will be at **12pm on Tuesday 30th August** and 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. If you yourself are going into hospital or know of anybody who would like a priest visit in a Nursing Home or in Hospital please let us

NEXT DRAW SUNDAY, 21st August after the 10.15am Mass (no bacon butties that Sunday). New OLR Draw Club Members welcome, Registration Forms at the back of the churches. - Maura 01323 430532 or Reception.

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

PARISH ACTIVITIES FROM SEPTEMBER: a number of people have proposed really good ideas for new Parish initiatives for outreach and evangelisation, as well as good fun community building ideas for our own parish (film nights, karaoke, quiz nights). There have also been some good suggestions for talks and faith development. Further details in the September

NEWSLETTER & PARISH OFFICE DURING AUGUST: There will be a **single August Newsletter** running from 6th August to 2nd September. Also please note the **Parish Office will be closed from 1st – 29th 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!