

	Church	Service Times Masses marked L/S will be livestreamed on YouTube.
Sat 17 OCT	OLR	6pm Vigil Mass -People of the Parish
<b>TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>		<b>Readings: 1. Isaiah 45:1. 4-6 Psalm 95 2. Thessalonians 1:1-5 3. Matthew 22:15-21</b>
Sun 18	OLR	9.15am Mass [L/S] - John and Nicky Carroll RIP (Waters)
	St Gregory	9.30am Mass-Margaret Smillie RIP (Mary Smillie). First Holy Communion: Poppy Stefanie O'Keeffe, Henry Joseph John Leek & Ruby Marie Franklyn
	OLR	11.30am Mass - Claud Borza RIP (Fusciardi family)
		5.30pm Mass - Elizabeth Dudley (recovery)
Mon 19 <b>ST PHILIP HOWARD</b>	OLR	6.30pm Mass - Martha Byrne
Tues 20		NO MASS
Wed 21	OLR	11am Requiem Mass- Christine Loman RIP
Thurs 22	OLR	11am Mass- Mass of the Souls
Fri 23	OLR	11am Requiem Mass-Don Hinchin RIP. Mass closed to public due to restrictions. No adoration today. Confessions will still be heard from 11am to 12 noon in the Parish Centre.
Sat 24	OLR	6pm Vigil Mass -Sylvia Abela RIP (Rosa)
<b>THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>		<b>Readings: 1. Exodus 22:20-26 Psalm 17 2. Thessalonians 1:5-10 3. Matthew 22:34-40</b>
Sun 25	OLR	9.15am Mass [L/S] Theresa Wiseman (RIP)
	St Gregory	9.30am Mass-People of the Parish
	OLR	11.30am Mass - - Barbara Sloan RIP (Carroll) <b>Baptism:</b> Allana Bradley
	OLR	5.30pm Mass - Ann Smiley RIP (Ramsay)

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 17th/18th October 2020

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This year, **World Mission Sunday** falls on 18<sup>th</sup> October. Fr. Antony Chantry, National Director of Missio, has written as follows:-

‘On this day the whole Church unites in prayer for its missionary activity and in collecting funds to support Catholic communities across the world living in situations of poverty and privation. The need is even greater this year due to the Covid-19 pandemic, especially in countries with inadequate financial and medical resources.

The theme chosen by Pope Francis for this year World Mission Sunday is ‘**Here I am, send me!**’ In these difficult and uncertain times, the Holy Father encourages us with these words: “God continues to look to those he can send into the world, and to the nations, to bear witness to his love, his deliverance from sin and death, and his liberation from evil.”

All donations go to the Universal Solidarity Fund in order to meet the spiritual and material needs of peoples and Churches throughout the world. Thank you for your ongoing support of Missio through prayer and charity. Please do all you can to celebrate this day in solidarity with the whole Church.’

For more information about World Mission Sunday, please visit [www.missio.org.uk](http://www.missio.org.uk)

We did have a parish collection last weekend and we thank you for this and for those of you who continue your support by way of the Red Mission Boxes.

**MASSES:** We are grateful to those of you who came forward to volunteer as stewards following last weekend's further appeal. We still need more stewards to be able to celebrate more Masses and continue to keep those Masses we already have. Please contact the parish office if you are able to volunteer.

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**SACRAMENTS:** present and future 2021 please see a Priest after Mass then e-mail the Parish Office to register an interest, with your contact details stating which sacrament you would like to register for. Remember to always give your full name and address and which church you attend.

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**WEEKLY FLOWERS FOR THE CHURCH:** We need to appeal to any parishioners who feel able to donate flowers to decorate the church each week. If you are able to donate please contact the parish office as soon as you are can.

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**LOURDES REDSHIRTS.** 'Sadly our diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes could not take place this year. However we are very hopeful it will happen next July. With this in mind, we need to fundraise. Obviously we cannot hold any parties, but we do hope to have a big Christmas raffle. We will soon be asking for donations. Also, Fr Raglan has offered to do a sponsored cycle for us in the Spring, more info to follow!' (Maura)

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**OFFERINGS** w/e 11th October including standing orders, Our Lady of Ransom, St Agnes and St Gregory. £1,782.44 [Gift Aid Nick Price 07711243419]. World Mission Sunday collection £158.13. Red boxes counted separately.

**THIS WEEK:-**  
**ST RICHARD'S SCHOOL SIGNING**  
**Monday October 19th: 5.30pm-6.15pm and 7.15pm - 8pm.** Please come to the Parish Centre Car park and wait to be called to the door  
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**RCIA :** This week's theme: 'Why I am a Catholic' (faith journeys). Recognizing our gifts.

Are you curious ? Are you searching answers? Are you *intrigued* by what Catholicism really is? Have you ever wondered why people are still becoming Catholics in a society that largely discounts the need for religion? Well here is an invitation to you to come and join others just like you. Our world is indisputably in crisis: socio-cultural, geo-political problems, wars, extremes of climate and of course the pandemic. It would be easy to succumb spiritually and emotionally. But is there another dimension? Where and how does a living faith in the person of Jesus Christ, Son of God, fit into all that surrounds us? How does Catholicism balance its history and tradition, its liturgy, music, rituals and teaching with the big questions that concern us today while caring for the future of our planet and its people? Can our faith give us support and the tools to fulfil our vocations to be people of integrity and love? Do come and join us in evenings of lively discourse and debate on these and many other topics with people all seeking understanding too. For further information and to let us know to expect you at The Parish Centre, Meads Road, every Thursday from 7.30pm to 9pm. (for social-distancing reasons), please ring Ann - 07790 208889.

**LUMEN CHRISTI RE-LAUNCH**

Our group for Years 9-10 exploring faith starts again on Zoom this weekend. Now every SUNDAY, from 7.30-8.30pm. New members welcome! To sign up, please contact [nickwoodall@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:nickwoodall@hotmail.co.uk)

**BALANCED LIFE ESSAY PRIZE**

For a chance to win £250, young people aged 18-35 are invited to submit a short essay on faith in the time of Covid, to be judged by well-known spiritual writer Fr Timothy Radcliffe OP. For info see:

<http://www.laybenedictines.org/balanced-life-essay>

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**FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:-**

**ALPHA ONLINE!**

Our Lady of Ransom parish will be starting our first **Alpha Online** course via Zoom on Tuesday 3rd November. Sessions will be from 7.45pm to 9pm every Tuesday for 11 weeks (with a break for Christmas/New Year). Each evening will begin with a film on key aspects of the Christian faith, after which there will be an opportunity for questions and small-group discussions. All are welcome. Alpha is widely acknowledged as an outstanding programme for teaching the Christian faith and drawing us into a closer personal relationship with Jesus. It has become one of the most popular and powerful evangelising tools for deepening and enriching our Christian faith. It is aimed especially at people who don't go to church or those who may be unsure, questioning or curious about aspects of their beliefs. Even for active and committed Christians, Alpha is an excellent refresher for your own faith and is an ideal opportunity to invite friends and family who are searching for meaning about the 'purpose of life' or a happiness that endures. Leaflets are available at the back of the Church.

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**BISHOP RICHARD** will be Celebrating Mass at OLR on 5th November at 6.30pm, for all those who have died in this extraordinary year. It is essential to book for this Mass and e-mail is preferable. If you are not on e-mail, you can telephone the parish office during office hours 09.30am-2.30pm.

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Please pray for the repose of the soul of Christine Loman RIP, Blandine Ashe RIP , Lorraine McCormack RIP, Don Hinchin RIP and Susan McGoldrick RIP. Our sympathy and prayers are with their families.

<p><b>FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN TAKEN ILL AND ASK FOR OUR PRAYERS:</b> Sybil Glenister, Miles Tracey, Bob Cadwallender, Madeleine O'Brien, Carmen Pumar, Sheila Brown, Pauline Bosley, Abina Boniface, Gilbert da Silva, Marie Potts, Pat Higgins, Joan Garbet, Rosanna da Sousa, Trish Ryan, Michaeline Winterbottom, Lynnette and Michael Butters, Valerie Doney, Elizabeth Dudley, Irena Zablocki, Therese Collins and all our parishioners who are suffering at this time.</p>
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