



PARISH COLLECTION

7 Sept - £2,366

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

21 Sept - Evangelii Gaudium Sunday
29 Sept – CAFOD Harvest Fast Day

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Ana Ramsey, Pauline Bosley,
Lynne Rogers and Antoinette Mercieca
and all those in hospital or housebound

FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY

Derek Buckley, Maria Penfold,
Robert Cutler, Maria Castro and Ann Farmer
and for their families
at this difficult time



It is hard to imagine a
more heart-stirring name
for the world than
“our common home”.

Our planet is a homeland
and humanity is one people
living in a common home.

It is like a sister with whom
we share our life,
and a beautiful mother
who opens her arms
to embrace us.

Laudato Si – Pope Francis

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

ST GREGORY Victoria Drive BN20 8QY

ST AGNES 10 Whitley Road BN22 8NJ

Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9.30 am-1.30 pm

Tel: 01323 723222; **Email:** eastbourneolor@abdiocese.org.uk

Parish website: <http://ourladyofransom.org.uk>

Parish Secretary: Cheryl Wood

Safeguarding Co-ordinator: Alison Parsons sg1.eastbourneolor@abdiocese.org.uk

Pastoral Assistant: Caroline Rother pastoral.eastbourneolor@abdiocese.org.uk

Parish Clergy: Fr Kevin Dring & Fr Charles Ezejide

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER – 14 and 21 September 2025

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 13 September OLR 6.00 pm Intentions of Emma & John MacPherson

Sun 14 September St G 9.00 am Paddy and Maura Canty RIP

Exaltation of the OLR 10.15 am People of the Parish

Holy Cross St A 11.30 am James Moulding RIP

OLR 5.30 pm Mrs Cobb

Mon 15 September OLR 11.00 am Graham Goss RIP

Tues 16 September OLR 11.00 am Adrian McCauley RIP

Wed 17 September OLR 11.00 am Co-workers of Mother Teresa

Thur 18 September OLR 11.00 am Kathleen Twoomey RIP

Fri 19 September OLR 11.00 am Chris & Cheryl Wood, Golden Wedding

St A 12 noon **REQUIEM: Derek Buckley RIP**

Sat 20 September OLR 10.00 am Librada Rosales, birthday

OLR 6.00 pm Peter and Emily Endean

Sun 21 September St G 9.00 am Forbina Collins RIP

25th Sunday OLR 10.15 am People of the Parish

Year C St A 11.30 am Mary Malthouse RIP

OLR 5.30 pm Bill Marshall RIP

Mon 22 September OLR 11.00am James McCauley RIP

Tues 23 September OLR 11.00 am **REQUIEM: Robert Cutler RIP**

Wed 24 September OLR 11.00 am Janusz Grebowski RIP

Thur 25 September OLR 11.00 am **REQUIEM: Maria Anita Castro RIP**

Fri 26 September OLR 11.00 am Intentions of Gill Lee

Sat 27 September OLR 10.00 am Mass for sick & housebound parishioners

OLR 10.30 am *Adoration and Confessions*

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 10.30-11.00 am

Wednesday Rosary for Peace 10.25-10.50 am before Mass

Friday 11.30 am-6.00 pm Benediction

Saturday 10.30 am-12.00 noon Benediction

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 10.45-11.45 am and 5.00-5.45 pm (OLR)

ROSARY: St G - Tuesdays 10.30 am

OLR – after Monday, Tuesday and Thursday Masses

DAILY PRIVATE PRAYER: OLR open daily 8.00 am-6.00 pm

LIVE-STREAMED MASSES: www.youtube.com/ourladyofransom

THE TRIUMPH OF THE CROSS

To reclaim the world for God, the Son accepts in full freedom the world's hostility, so bringing him to the cross. But wonder of wonders, this brutal act of mockery and shame turns out to be the greatest manifestation of divine love ever seen, with the power to conquer hatred and violence, heal the sinner, and cast down the evil ruler of the world. We know as Christians that we must always hold firm to the wisdom and power of the Cross - only from there are we saved. We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world!

In these coming days and weeks everything starts up again in the life of the parish, all the Sacramental Programmes and activities and groups. We begin now actively working closely with the other local parishes in preparation for when we become, in a few months' time, a single New Parish. I will need, as Moderator, to now give more time to this bigger work of bringing our communities together. Fr Charles, now with us for 8 months, will be taking on more of the day-to-day priestly work here, in our own part of what will be the New Parish (from Eastbourne to Rye). Please also consider how you can help as we move forward together. God bless.

Fr Kevin

A WARM WELCOME TO ALL WHO JOIN US FOR MASS, ESPECIALLY TO ANY VISITORS. IF YOU ARE NEW TO THE PARISH PLEASE INTRODUCE YOURSELF TO THE PRIEST AFTER MASS SO THAT WE CAN PROPERLY WELCOME YOU!

PARISH DIARY – SEPTEMBER 2025

Mon 15 Sept – Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR, 4-5.30 pm
Wed 17 Sept – Mother Teresa Group, PMR, after 11 am Mass
Thurs 18 Sept – Mothers' Prayers, PMR, after 11 am Mass
Sun 21 Sept – Sausage Sarnies plus cake sale after 10.15 Mass
Mon 22 Sept – Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR, 4-5.30 pm
Wed 24 Sept – Kairos Charismatic Prayer Grp, OLR Hall, 7.30-9.00
Thurs 25 Sept – Parents' Meeting for FHC – OLR Hall, 7-8pm

HOSPITAL MINISTRY

NEXT MASS: Tues 30 Sept, 12.00 noon in the Hospital Chapel. If you or a loved one are in hospital, and would like a visit from a priest, or are going for surgery and would like to be Anointed in advance, please let Fr Kevin or Fr Charles know.

BEACHY HEAD CHAPLAINCY TEAM: is seeking to employ a Chaplain to give spiritual support to the Team. Salary £13.40 per hour, flexible contracted hours between 15 to 30 hours as preferred. Working flexible shift patterns of between 5 and 10 hours in length will be from 09:00 to 24:00 hours. See poster at back of the Church for contact details.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY STARTS AGAIN THIS SUNDAY AT MORNING MASSES: Welcome back to all our very young parishioners for their own Liturgy of the Word with drawing and colouring. Parents must fill in a consent form for their children who attend. Copies are at the back of the churches or fill in the form at the beginning of the first session.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

BUILDING THE DOMESTIC CHURCH – SAT 4 OCTOBER, 10-3PM, THE ST PHILIP HOWARD CENTRE, CRAWLEY: The Church teaches that parents are the primary teachers of the faith. During baptism, parents are called to promise the Lord, that they will teach and pass on the faith to their children. But what do they pass on? So how can we help parents, future parents and perhaps grandparents? Join us as we explore all this, and bring a packed lunch! To book a place follow this link [Building the Domestic Church \(04-Oct-2025\)](#) . [ChurchSuite Events](#) . Any questions contact Deacon Simon South, Marriage and Family Life Adviser E: simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE - 14-16 OCTOBER 2025: please contact Cheryl at the parish office for more info.

FEAST OF ST PADRE PIO: An hour of prayer and devotion will take place on Tues 23 September, 4-5 pm, in the Sacred Heart Chapel at OLR. All are welcome. Please also note that there is a 'Novena to Padre Pio' booklet at the back of the church.

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY APPEAL, 29 SEPT: This year's focus is CAFOD's work to bring lasting solutions to poverty and the challenges of climate change, like building wells in Ethiopia where women walk for hours to fetch water. To donate please use the envelopes at the back of the church, or online to www.cafod.org.uk/ and please be generous. Thank you.

ST AGNES

GRANDPARENTS' MEETINGS: 2nd Wednesday of month, 2 pm
NEXT ST AGNES LUNCH: will be on 9 October. All most welcome, contact Pauline 07724162207, for further information"
POLISH MASS: Every 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month, 6 pm

PASTORAL AND FAITH DEVELOPMENT

ROSARY FOR PEACE: is prayed every **WEDNESDAY**, during Exposition at OLR between 10.25 – 10.50am

FRIDAY ALL DAY ADORATION: from after 11am Mass until Benediction at 6pm, is live streamed for those unable to come to church.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING: Sacred Heart Chapel, Thurs after 11 Mass

POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

WANT TO HELP OUR PARISH? – "Volunteering is a grace from God" (Pope Francis) urging volunteers to "please accept it with strength, as volunteers are the strength of the Church; they are a dimension of the Church's mission". Are you then, willing to come and share your own talents as we prepare to come together in our New Parish. There are a multitude of Volunteering roles open to all that you can choose from. Each of has gifts and talents, known or unknown to each other (St Paul). Please come and share yours with us. We especially need: Catechists for First Communion and Baptism programmes; Church cleaners; Readers; Servers; Welcomers. Please contact the Parish Office if able and willing to help.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME ENQUIRY FORMS: Please note that the deadlines for submission of completed forms for the various Sacramental programmes are approaching. **Late forms will be rejected.** Forms must be submitted **at the latest** by:

First Reconciliation and Holy Communion – **Friday, 19 September**

Lumen Christi (Confirmation) – **Friday, 3 October**

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) - **Friday, 26 September**

PARISH SUPPORT FOR LOURDES: We are delighted to give financial support to some pilgrims to Lourdes every year. This includes sick pilgrims, helpers and especially young helpers (Red/purple shirts). To enable us to continue doing this, we must fundraise. Please look out for many fundraising activities coming up, starting with "Sausage sarnies" (£2.00 cash only) and a cake and plant sale - Sun 21 Sept, after 10.15 Mass. All donations of cakes and plants very welcome.

REFLECTION DAY FOR YOUNG ADULTS, WORTH ABBEY, SAT 20 SEPTEMBER: Starting with Mass in the Abbey Church, followed by time together for prayer, reflection, friendship, and a talk from Fr David Jarmy on "The English Mystics." The day will finish with a scenic countryside walk to Balcombe for a pub supper and social evening at the Half Moon. Please book your place at <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/i6j6fVNTqr>

GIFT AID: To add Gift Aid to your donations please contact Nick Price, Parish Treasurer on pfc.eastbourneolor@abdiocese.org.uk
NEXT NEWSLETTER: 28 September. Items please by 24 Sept latest.