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UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

- 11 May World Day of Prayer for Vocations:
The education of future Priests
- 25 May The Missionary Endeavour of the
Diocese – Diocese of Chulucanas

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Ana Ramsey, Pauline Bosley,
Sean Duggan, and all those in hospital or
housebound

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY

Pope Francis
and Michael Carmody
and for their families at this difficult time

*“Dear brothers and sisters,
In the Lord's Paschal Mystery, death and
life contended in a stupendous struggle,
but the Lord now lives forever. He fills us
with the certainty that we too are called
to share in the life that knows no end,
when the clash of arms and the rumble
of death will be heard no more. Let us
entrust ourselves to him, for he alone
can make all things new!
Happy Easter to everyone!”*

**Pope Francis – Last Public Address,
Easter Sunday 2025**

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FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER – 27 April and 4 May 2025

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 26 April	OLR	6.00 pm	Pope Francis RIP
Sun 27 April	St G	9.00 am	Pope Francis RIP
Second Sunday	OLR	10.15 am	Pope Francis RIP
of Easter	St A	11.30 am	Pope Francis RIP
DIVINE MERCY	OLR	3.00 pm	Divine Mercy Devotions
SUNDAY	OLR	5.30 pm	Pope Francis RIP
Mon 28 April	OLR	11.00 am	For Our Country
St George			
Tues 29 April	OLR	11.00 am	Peter Deadman 90 th Birthday
Wed 30 April	OLR	11.00 am	Gieever Paul RIP
Thurs 1 May	OLR	11.00 am	Annie McCann RIP
Fri 2 May	OLR	11.00 am	Christina Perrott RIP
Sat 3 May	OLR	10.00 am	Kathy Malone RIP
	OLR	10.30 am	<i>Adoration and Confessions</i>
	OLR	6.00 pm	George Harding RIP
Sun 4 May	St G	9.00 am	Mary Bradley RIP
Third Sunday	OLR	10.15 am	Claire Burke RIP
of Easter	St A	11.30 am	Armanda Gouveia and Luis Ferreira RIP
	OLR	5.30 pm	People of the Parish
Mon 5 May	OLR	11.00 am	Donald George Ashford RIP
Tues 6 May	OLR	11.00 am	Sue Kimberley's Intentions
Wed 7 May	OLR	11.00 am	Florence and John Stonehouse RIP
Thurs 8 May	OLR	11.00 am	Margaret and Martin Malone RIP
Fri 9 May	OLR	11.00 am	Robert Langhorn RIP
Sat 10 May	OLR	10.00 am	Well-being of Jonathan Dixon
	OLR	10.30 am	<i>Adoration and Confessions</i>

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Monday, Wednesday 10.30-11.00 am

Thursday Holy Hour 10-11 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, Wednesday and Thursday Masses

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

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

POPE FRANCIS

This week, in the very flush of Easter Joy, we have been profoundly saddened to hear of the death of our Holy Father, Pope Francis. It would be fair to say that his death, in the early hours of Easter Monday, was not unexpected but was most certainly a shock! When I heard the news, I was moved to tears, as many people will have been, Catholics and non-Catholics alike. I was then very touched when I went into the church and a man introduced himself, saying he was not a Catholic but wanted to give his condolences to the parish, and to light a candle and say a prayer for somebody he described simply as “a very good man”. We thank God for Pope Francis and pray he will hear those words of the Lord he loved and served so faithfully until the end: “Come good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of your master” (Mt 25:21)

Wishing us all, on this Divind Mercy Sunday, a continued Blessed Easter, Alleluia! - 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 – APRIL 2025

Fri 25 Apr to Wed 14 May - Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition
Mon 28 Apr - Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR, 4-5.30pm
Thurs 1 May – Mothers’ Prayers Group, PMR, after 11am Mass
Mon 5 May - Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR, 4-5.30pm
Wed 7 May – Kairos Charismatic Prayer Grp, OLR Hall, 7.30pm
Mon 12 May - Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR, 4-5.30pm
Mon 12 May – Padre Pio Group, PMR, 6-7.00pm
Thurs 15 May – Mothers’ Prayers Group, PMR, after 11 Mass
Sat 17 May – FHC Class, OLR Hall, 09.00-10.15 am
Mon 19 May - Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR, 4-5.30pm
Wed 21 May – Kairos Charismatic Prayer Grp, OLR Hall, 7.30pm
Mon 26 May - Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR, 4-5.30pm

HOSPITAL MINISTRY

NEXT MASS: Tues 27 May, 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.

EASTER THANK YOU: A big thanks to everybody for participating in our Holy Week services, and from us all especially to those who prepared the churches and exercised different ministries throughout the week! Thanks also for your very kind cards, good wishes and Easter Offering - Fr Kevin & Fr Charles.

NEW PARISH OPEN MEETING: Tuesday 20 May - Our Lady of Ransom Hall (6.30-8.00 pm) for the "Eastbourne communities" of our New Parish - an opportunity for a detailed update on the practical developments towards our becoming a New Parish, and the ways all are invited to be part of this important work.

CONGRATULATIONS: to Sarah, Katie, Chris, Fabienne, Gillian, Sue, Sarah-Jane and George who all received Sacraments at the Easter Vigil. Please keep them in your prayers.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SCHOOLS

St Thomas a Becket Catholic Primary School
T: 01323 737221 – www.stthomasbecketcatholicschool.co.uk

St Richard’s Catholic College (11-16)
T: 01424 421421 – www.strichardscscc.com

MARCH 2025 OLR MONEY CLUB DRAW WINNERS:

1st Mary Robertson - £100; 2nd Mary Sheppard - £60;
3rd Jossy D'Souza - £50; 4th Marie Ashford - £25.

APRIL 2025 OLR MONEY CLUB DRAW WINNERS:

1st Jean Peterken - £100; 2nd Teresa O'Brien -£60;
3rd Marie B Ashford - £50; 4th Mary Robertson - £25;
Easter Bonuses of £25 - Robert Dixon, Teresa Burke Simpson,
Wildcards of £20 - Peter Clarke, Caroline Rother, Jean Butler
Next draw: Sun 18 May; new members welcome, Registration Forms at the back of churches. Gift Vouchers from £5 available from Maura or the Parish Office.

ST AGNES

GRANDPARENTS’ MEETINGS: 2nd Wed of the month, 2.30pm
NEXT ST AGNES LUNCH will be on Thursday 8 May at 12.30pm
POLISH MASS: Every 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the month, 6.00 pm

PASTORAL AND FAITH DEVELOPMENT

THURSDAY HOLY HOUR FOR OUR NEW PARISH: Adoration and Holy Hour with Rosary for Peace and Benediction, 10-11am

FRIDAY ALL DAY ADORATION: from 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

TO GOD WITH THE SAINTS IN PRAYER:

“In heaven Mary remains always in the presence of her Divine Son. There she is continually praying on behalf of sinners.”

St Bede the Venerable

“If you want to grow in perfection, you cannot advance by yourselves – you need a guide. Hence, when you go to God, go through Mary and with Mary”. St Maximilian Kolbe

“Emulate the tiny ant; be an ant of God. Listen to the word of God and hide it in your heart. Collect plenty of food during the happy days of your spiritual summers. You will then be able to endure the difficult days of temptations during the winters of your soul”. St Augustine of Hippo

“Moreover, this is the rule of love: the good that we desire for ourselves we desire for our neighbour also; and the evil that we are unwilling to undergo we wish to prevent from happening to our neighbour. All who love God will have such a desire toward everybody”. St Augustine of Hippo

CARLO ACUTIS EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES EXHIBITION: This wonderful Exhibition runs from Fri 25 April - Wed 14 May. We’ve extended an invitation to other local churches for a special **Exhibition Open Day** on **Wed 30 April**, starting with Adoration and Mass, followed by **2 Sessions (11.30 & 1.00 start)** with a brief presentation, time to view exhibition and ending with a short time of prayer. All are welcome ... invite a friend!

MARY’S MEALS are working to turn left over foreign currency into meals for hungry children in the world’s poorest countries. Over 2 million children a day now receive a nutritious meal in poor and war-torn countries. If you have any leftover foreign currency, or any coins no longer legal tender, please put them in the envelopes at the back of the churches. Take one home and return when ready to the office marked for Edwina Lucani. Thank you.

SUNDAY 11 MAY: A Mass to celebrate the contribution of the Migrant Community will be said at St Joseph’s Church, Brighton, 5.30 pm – All welcome - see posters at the back of the churches.

16-20 AUGUST: CELEBRATE - WITNESS TO HOPE, CATHOLIC FESTIVAL FOR ALL THE FAMILY : Fun, faith and friendship at Worth School. Camp or residential accommodation available. Speakers include Fr Roberto Pasolini, Papal Preacher to Pope Francis. Book early to avoid disappointment at www.celebratetrust.org

GIFT AID ENVELOPES: A big thanks to all contributors to this Scheme. The Parish received over £19,500 by way of tax refund in 2024/25. If you would like to join the Scheme and help support the Parish, please contact Nick Price by email on pfc.eastbourneolor@abdiocese.org.uk.

NEXT NEWSLETTER: 11 May 2025. All items needed by 7 May at the latest please.