



PARISH COLLECTION

11 May £2936 – 18 May £2734
Education of future priests - £849

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

25 May The Missionary Endeavour of the
Diocese – Diocese of Chulucanas, Peru
1 June – World Communications Sunday

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Ana Ramsey, Pauline Bosley,
Lynne Rogers

and all those in hospital or housebound

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY

Doris Smith, Anne Castro-Clarke, Tina Fields
and Stephen Chong Eun Park and for their
families at this difficult time



Peace be with all of you.
Dearest brothers and sisters,
this is the first greeting of the Risen
Christ, the Good Shepherd
who gave his life for God's flock.
I too would like this greeting of peace
to enter your heart,
to reach your families,
to all people,
wherever they are,
to all peoples,
to the whole earth.
Peace be with you!

Pope Leo XIV

*In Illo Uno Unum
In the One we are One*

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FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER – 25 May and 1 June 2025

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 24 May	OLR	6.00 pm	Matilde Fortunato
Sun 25 May	St G	9.00 am	Intentions of Mary Smillie
Sixth Sunday	OLR	10.15 am	People of the Parish
of Easter	St A	11.30 am	Hannah Murphy RIP
	OLR	5.30 pm	Gerald and Joy Shakespeare RIP
Mon 26 May	OLR	11.00 am	John & Jane Windsor (Golden Wedding)
Tues 27 May	OLR	11.00 am	Peter and Jo Durrant RIP
Wed 28 May	OLR	11.00 am	Pam Bedwell RIP
Thurs 29 May	OLR	11.00 am	Bryan Barrow RIP
ASCENSION OF	OLR	7.00 pm	Well-being of Marie-Therese Goldberg
THE LORD			
Fri 30 May	OLR	11.00 am	Peggy Foley RIP
Sat 31 May	OLR	10.00 am	Recently Bereaved Parishioners' families
	OLR	10.30 am	<i>Adoration and Confessions</i>
	OLR	6.00 pm	Mary McKeon
Sun 1 June	St G	9.00 am	People of the Parish
Seventh 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	Intentions of Sue Kimberley
Mon 2 June	OLR	11.00 am	Martin Bromley
Tues 3 June	OLR	11.00 am	Vocations to the Priesthood
Wed 4 June	OLR	11.00 am	Canon John O'Toole RIP
Thurs 5 June	OLR	11.00 am	Joan Kennedy RIP
Fri 6 June	OLR	11.00 am	Intentions of Mike Sherlock
Sat 7 June	OLR	10.00 am	Gerald and Joy Shakespeare RIP
	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

The Peace of Christ – SHALOM

I know that when our new Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, came on to the balcony of St Peter's and addressed the crowds, we were all touched that his first word was to wish the whole world PEACE. This is the great gift of Easter, of the Pierced and Risen Lord, the One who showed us that God's love is and has the final word. Already in today's Gospel Jesus is preparing the disciples for the scandal of the Cross, promising his continued indwelling through the gift of the Holy Spirit. Then he promises them (us) Godly peace, a peace the world cannot give or remove. Shalom is not the absence of conflict or pain, but the presence of love and an inner strength that allows us to face all the challenges of life ... the presence of the Holy Spirit who upheld Jesus on his way to the Cross and through death into Resurrection. Come Holy Spirit! 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 – JUNE 2025

Mon 26 May - Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR, 4-5.30pm
Mon 2 June – Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR, 4-5.30pm
Wed 4 June – Kairos Charismatic Prayer Grp, OLR Hall, 7.30pm
Thurs 5 June – Mothers’ Prayers Group, PMR, after 11 Mass
Sun 15 June – Celebration of Parish First Holy Communion
Mon 16 June - Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR, 4-5.30pm
Wed 18 June – Kairos Charismatic Prayer Grp, OLR Hall, 7.30
Thurs 19 June – Mothers’ Prayers Group, PMR, after 11 Mass
Mon 23 June - Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR, 4-5.30pm
Mon 30 June - Contemplative Prayer Group, PMR, 4-5.30pm

HOSPITAL MINISTRY

NEXT MASS: Tues 24 June, 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.

NEW PARISH OPEN MEETING - POSTPONED: This meeting will now be rescheduled to a later date soon, to be advised. Thanks and sorry for any inconvenience.

PARISH PENTECOST CELEBRATION

On Saturday **7 June** a Parish Pentecost Celebration will take place at OLR with a **Holy Hour from 5pm and a multi-cultural Mass at 6pm**. In the Mass 6 young people will be Baptised into the Church: Beau, Fernanda, Jared, Kaitochukwu, Rethika and Ruchika. Afterwards we will have a shared Supper and Party in the Hall. Contributions of multi-cultural, already plated COLD FINGER FOOD will be gratefully received (i.e. **not** requiring heating or cutlery to be eaten and labelled as to basic ingredients e.g. NUTS!). Drinks will be provided. We have also especially invited those new parishioners who have registered in the parish in the past two years. We hope you can be part of the celebration!

RECOMMISSIONING OF ALL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: At all the Masses 21/22 June Eucharistic Ministers will be invited to renew their annual commitment to distribute Holy Communion both at Mass or to our sick and housebound parishioners.

ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL: Following the Report Stage debate on the Leadbeater Assisted Suicide Bill it’s very important that our MPs receive a follow-up email. Please go to <https://righttolife.org.uk/reportstage> to access the text of an email ready for you to send. If your MP voted NO, the email thanks them, provides an update following the debate, and encourages them to stay strong in their opposition to the Bill. If they voted YES or abstained, it highlights key concerns raised during the debate and urges them to vote against the Bill at Third Reading. It is very easy to do, just click on the links on the Right to Life link given above. Thank you.

ECUMENICAL OUTREACH

SAT 7 JUNE – VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH GRAND OPEN DAY: 10.00 – 13.00. Come and join us to celebrate our Centenary and enjoy a fun day out for the whole family. Find more info at helpdesk@victoriabaptist.org.uk. All are welcome at any time.

ST AGNES

GRANDPARENTS’ MEETINGS: 2nd Wed of the month, 2.00 pm
NEXT ST AGNES LUNCH will be on Thursday 12 June at 12.30 pm
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

PRAYER FOR POPE LEO XIV

O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look favourably on your servant Leo XIV, whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd; grant, we pray, that by word and example he may be of service to those over whom he presides so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to everlasting life. Amen

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH:

Congratulations and a warm welcome to Jesse, Noah, Clare and Kanti all baptised recently and we pray for their parents, God-parents and families.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION IN OUR PARISH: On Sun 15 June, 35 children will be making their First Holy Communion across all the churches. Please be aware that Our Lady of Ransom will be full with the children and their families so seating will be very limited. You may wish to consider another Mass that day.

LOOKING FOR A NEW CHALLENGE? Could you visit schools in your local area to deliver assemblies and workshops about our work and encourage young people to take action, fundraise and pray with CAFOD? No experience necessary. Full support, resources and regular training provided. See poster at the back of the Church. www.cafod.org.uk

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.strichardscc.com

AND ON A LIGHTER NOTE: Little boy tells his dad, “Dad, I know what Bible stands for”. “Really son, that’s great, so tell me?” Excitedly the boy replies, “It stands for ‘Basic Information Before Leaving Earth’.”

BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES EXHIBITION:

If anyone missed the Exhibition or for those who would like to see the full exhibition and know more about Carlo’s remarkable life, visit www.carloacutis.com and www.miracoleucaristici.org

MAY 2025 OLR MONEY CLUB DRAW WINNERS: Aloysius S Joseph - £100; Beatrice Jackson - £60; David Mothersole - £60; Jean Taylor - £50; Teresa Burke Simpson - £25.

Next draw: Sun 15 June; new members welcome, Reg Forms at the back of churches. Gift Vouchers from £5 available from Maura or the Parish Office.

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 on pfc.eastbourneolr@abdiocese.org.uk.

NEXT NEWSLETTER: 8 June 2025. All items needed by 4 June at the latest please.