

	Church	Service Times Masses marked L/S will be livestreamed on YouTube.
Sat 24 OCT	OLR	6pm Vigil Mass -Sylvia Abela RIP (Rosa)
THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		Readings: 1. Isaiah 53: 3-11 Psalm 15 2. Hebrews 11:33-12:2 3. John 17:11-21
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) Baptism: Allana Bradley
		5.30pm Mass - Ann Smiley RIP (Ramsay)
Mon 26	OLR	6.30pm Mass - Souls in Purgatory (Cableira)
Tues 27		11am Mass Requiem Blandine Ashe RIP
Wed 28	OLR	11am Holy Souls (Markham)
Thurs 29	OLR	11am Mass– Requiem Tony Woodhouse RIP
Fri 30	OLR	11am Adoration and Confessions
Sat 31	OLR	6pm Vigil Mass –People of the Parish
THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		Readings: 1. Malachi 1:14-2:2. 8-10 Psalm 130 2. 1 Thessalonians 2:7-9. 13 3. Matthew 23:1-12
Sun 1 November ALL SAINTS	OLR	9.15am Mass [L/S] Alan Cullen (Cullen)
	St Gregory	9.30am Mass-Jim Needham RIP (Needham)
	St Agnes	11.15am Mass—Patrick Ferry RIP (Bennell)
	OLR	11.30am Mass - John Nolan RIP (Markham)
	OLR	5.30pm Mass - Betty Hobbs RIP (Ramsay)

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 24th/25th October 2020

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Today's Readings are different to the Lectionary as we are celebrating the feast of the Forty Martyrs of England and Wales which honours the hundreds of British Catholics who suffered persecution and died for their faith between 1535 and 1679 following the dispute between the Pope and King Henry VIII. Although some have been canonised or beatified, the true number of those who died on the scaffold or in prison, or were tortured or persecuted for their faith, is not known.

The cause of about three hundred martyrs was introduced in Rome in 1850. By 1935, nearly two hundred Reformation martyrs had been beatified but only two of these had been canonised: in 1936, Cardinal John Fisher and Sir Thomas More, Henry VIII's chancellor, became the first Englishmen to be made saints since 1401. In 1970, the Vatican selected forty martyrs to represent the full group; on 25th October 1970 they were canonised by Pope Paul VI.

The martyrs celebrated today came from every walk of life: rich and poor; married and single; men and women; priests, religious and lay people. They are remembered for their constancy of faith and courage in the face of persecution, which lasted almost a hundred and fifty years and left a permanent mark on English culture. *Please see the parish website for more detailed information about the history of the Forty Martyrs.*

The Saints we commemorate: 1535 St. John Houghton; St Robert Lawrence; St. Augustine Webster; St. Richard Reynolds. 1539: St. John Stone. 1577 St' Cuthbert Mayne. 1585 St. Edmund Campion; St. Ralph Sherwin; St. Alexander Briant. 1582 St. John Payne; St. Luke Kirby. 1584 St. Richard Gwyn. 1586 St Margaret Clitherow. 1588 St. Margaret Ward. 1591 St. Edmund Gennings; St. Swithun Wells; St. Eustace White; St. Polydore Plasden. 1594 St. John Boste. 1595: St. Robert Southwell; St. Henry Walpole; St. Philip Howard. 1598 St. John Jones. 1600 St. John Rigby. 1601 St. Anne Line; 1606 St. Nicolas Owen. 1608 St. Thomas Garnet. 1610 St. John Roberts. 1612 St John Almond. 1628 St. John Almond. 1628 St Edmund Arrowsmith. 1641 St Ambrose Barlow. 1642 St. Alban Roe. 1645 St. Henry Morse, 1654 St. John Southworth. 1679 St. John Plessington; St. Philip Evans; St John Lloyd; St John Wall, St. John Kemble; St David Lewis.

COMING WEEK:

PRIVATE PRAYER

Due to the facility of an anti-virus fogging machine, we are glad to say that Our Lady of Ransom church can open for private prayer from 9am to 5pm daily; **however** this does not include Sunday morning and Masses and Funerals during the week for which there is a strict limit to spaces—please always check the back page.

RCIA : This week's theme is 'Heroic examples of Christian Living'. 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.

ST AGNES: Due to Stewards coming forward to help, we are pleased to say we will now be able to open for Mass at St Agnes 11.15am (Sunday) as from next week 1st November, All Saints. We sincerely thank the volunteers!

FUTURE EVENTS:

LUMEN CHRISTI RE-LAUNCH

Our group for Years 9-10 exploring faith continues on Zoom this weekend. Now every other SUNDAY, from 7.30-8.30pm. New members welcome! To sign up, contact nickwoodall@hotmail.co.uk

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.

SR MARY ROSE prepares a reflection (5-10 minutes) each week which families who are not able to attend Mass, can access online. It will usually feature the same Gospel that is read in Church on Sunday, and ends with an activity. Please follow the link <https://youtu.be/Z2ze3OMn8II>

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.

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.

ST JOHN'S SEMINARY:

Many of you will have heard that St John's Seminary in Womersley is to close in its present form. The Seminary has served the Church for 130 years and there is great sadness that formation must now end at the site. See the parish website for further information.

OLR CLUB, winners for October

£100 Mrs A Buchanan, £50 Mr. A Hodgson, £25 Miss J Kennedy, £25 Mr. P Mendonca

MASS STEWARD CO-ORDINATORS: 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 **Robert Dixon**, a long-standing altar server in the parish has very kindly agreed to do co-ordinate our Lady of Ransom for us. Contact Robert at olrauxilium@gmail.com if you feel you can help and for existing Stewards Robert will be sending your rotas. For any changes please e mail Robert direct. **Jane Canelle** will co-ordinate the St Agnes rotas so please contact her on 01323 720139. **Nick Price** will co-ordinate the St Gregory's Rotas 07711243419. We offer a huge thank you to Robert, Jane and Nick for agreeing to help the parish in this way and we are truly grateful to them.

ST THOMAS A BECKET CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL 2021/22

ADMISSIONS: The governing body of St Thomas a Becket Catholic Primary School Eastbourne, has agreed the following statement in order to clarify how its faith-based oversubscription criteria for Catholic applicants will be interpreted whilst churches have been closed or attendance at church is unsafe due to COVID-19. If a parent/carer attended a given Catholic church prior to the closing of churches for public worship, then where a parent/carer has not subsequently attended worship at a given Catholic church for a given period a parent/carer will be considered to have attended worship at that church for that period where one or more of the following apply: a) the church was closed for public worship;

- b) the Sunday obligation remains suspended;
c) by returning to church the parent/carer would not be taking account of government guidance effective at the time concerning shielding and protecting persons either *moderately or extremely clinically vulnerable* to COVID-19. The definition of shielding, if needed, is on the link: -

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19/guidance-on-shielding-and-protecting-extremely-vulnerable-persons-from-covid-19>

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Blandine Ashe RIP, Jacinto Neves RIP and Susan McGoldrick RIP. Our sympathy and prayers are with their families

LET US FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN TAKEN ILL AND ASK FOR OUR

PRAYERS: 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 Downey, Elizabeth Dudley, Irena Zablocki, Therese Collins and all our parishioners who are suffering at this time.

OFFERINGS w/e 18th October including standing orders, Our Lady of Ransom, St Agnes and St Gregory. £1873.03. [Gift Aid Nick Price 07711243419].

NEXT WEEK: Second collection for the Retired Priests' Fund.