

NEWSLETTER OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES, NEW MILTON

16TH APRIL 2023
2ND SUNDAY OF
EASTER –YEAR A



TODAY'S GOSPEL: HE SHOWED THEM HIS HANDS AND HIS SIDE

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EASTER THANK YOUS: To all of you who made our Easter celebrations so beautiful.

STELLA MARIS SOUTHAMPTON WRITES: Many thanks for your outstanding support for our Easter Egg Appeal which this year surpassed all our expectations. Your generous response has enabled us to bring the spirit of the Lord's Resurrection to thousands of seafarers, far from home, by brightening up their seagoing rooms with chocolate eggs. Please pass on our gratitude to your parish. Here is a pic from Stella Maris.

EASTER OFFERING – It is still not too late to show our appreciation to Fr. Bill this Easter by donating on line at :- <https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/fundraising/new-milton-our-lady-easter-collection-2023>

PLEASE WELCOME: Fr David Quarmby who will be offering Masses for us next weekend. Please note, there will be no Confessions next Saturday.

PLEASE NOTE: There is no Mass at OLOL on Wednesday as Fr. Bill will be concelebrating the Funeral Mass of Fr James Carling at Alton that morning.

PARISH CORONATION CREAM TEA: Sunday 7th May in the afternoon. Fr Bill would like to extend an invitation to us and people living near the church to a celebratory cream tea to mark the Coronation of King Charles III and Queen Camilla. There is a planning meeting today after coffee in the hall. We'll need to organize awnings, tables, chairs, bunting, tableware, catering, invites, and the like. Please come if you can help. Many thanks.

CHURCH OPENING AND CLOSING ROTA : Unfortunately we have lost a couple of people off our rota due to change in circumstances. Is there any kind soul who would be prepared to lock up the Church on a Tuesday and Thursday evening, any time from 5.30pm onwards? Please let Lizzie know in the church office. Thank you!



LITURGICAL CALENDAR, MASS/SERVICE TIMES, AND PRIEST'S INTENTIONS

CONFESSIONS – 5.30PM SATURDAY, (OR AFTER WEEKDAY MASS ON REQUEST)

TEA/COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MORNING MASS IN PARISH HALL

SUN 16TH APRIL	SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR A, Of Divine Mercy	VIGIL (SAT) SUN (AM)	6.00 PM 10.00AM	+Peggy Tolladay Peter (speedy recovery)
Mon 17	Of Easter, week 2	No Mass		
Tues 18	Of Easter, week 2	Mass		+Charles & +Minnie Garbett
Wed 19	Of Easter, week 2	No Mass		
Thurs 20	Of Easter, week 2	Mass	10.00am	+Josef Mizakowski
Fri 21	St Anselm	Mass	10.00am	+Thomas Merifield
Sat 22	Of Easter, week 2	No AM Mass		
SUN 23RD APRIL	THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR A	VIGIL (SAT) SUN (AM)	6.00PM 10.00AM	+Edoardo Crisante +Eddy Kelleher

15/16 April	Reader	EMHC	22/23 April	Reader	EMHC
Vigil	BD	KD	Vigil	Cd'E	MH
10.00am	CB	JT	10.00am	TR	JK

HAPPY EASTER!

LEGACIES: There is something amazing you could do to help continue supporting our beautiful Church here in New Milton! If you have enjoyed worshipping at Our Lady of Lourdes, why not consider leaving a gift in your Will to ensure the upkeep of our Church for future generations? If you would like to, please use these words in your Will; "I give and bequeath to the Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth the sum of £..... to be expended with the income thereof for such charitable purposes of the Parish of Our Lady of Lourdes, New Milton, in the said diocese." Thank you.

8 DAY PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND: led by Fr Claro Conde (Chaplain to Filipino Communities Diocese of Portsmouth). 21st to 28th of November 2023 departing Luton. Cost, from £1339 per person based on twin sharing. For more details, please contact Fr. Claro at 07803191502 or Nelia of All Saints Travel at 01793881166. Book on website <https://www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/dates-and-prices/>

PRAYER CORNER: Our prayers are asked for the following who are sick and/or housebound: Hazel Lessler, Lucy Lessler, T Steeles, Andrea Filler, Madelaine Newland, Robin and Isobel Hockey, Christine Houssiere, Dave Youngman, Barbara Williams, Joan Millar.

LUKE THE DOG WRITES: Hi everyone. Thank you for the lovely welcome last week. I'm settling in nicely and I've got the place looking just how I want it. Fr Bill is proving to be a delightful companion, but I'm having trouble training him. He really doesn't like early starts and regular meal times. I have to drag him out of bed in the mornings. I've also had to put him on a brisk walking regimen: between you and me, he really could do with losing a few pounds, but don't tell him, will you? For some reason, he gets cross when I make a run for it, but otherwise he is cool. I love the church and its grounds, and New Milton is really good for snooping around. I think I am going to be very happy here. Every parish should have a dog to look after its priest, don't you think? Kindly, Luke xxx

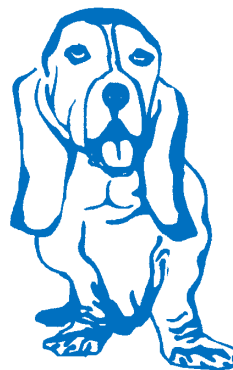


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