

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

15TH OCTOBER
2023
28TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

A voice is heard in Ramah,
mourning and great weeping,
Rachel weeping for her children
and refusing to be comforted,
because they are no more.

Jeremiah 31

Please continue to pray for peace in the Near East

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BASICS BANK: Donations of cereals, tinned meats, tinned vegetables, hygiene goods etc. needed, please. Contributions have dropped away quite a lot recently.

GLOBAL SYNOD OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH: Now in session looking at fundamental issues about the nature of the Church: its purpose, how it functions, how it nurtures and involves its members, and the like. Please pray for its success.

MASS FOR ALL SOULS: Thursday 2nd November 6.00pm. During Mass we are hoping to read out a list of those who have died. Slips for inclusion of names available now at the back of the church. Please note there is no need to provide an offering with your request.

GROWING CLOSER TO CHRIST DIOCESAN FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN: There will be open meetings after both Masses on November 1st in the parish hall. Please come if you can. Thanks.

SECOND COLLECTION: Next Sunday for World Missions, supporting the poorest Church communities across the globe.

PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED THIS WEEK. All non-urgent matters will be dealt with when Lizzie returns to work on 25th October.

MASS ATTENDANCE: We are now averaging 200+ people coming to OLOL each weekend, which is really encouraging. Last weekend we even managed 215!

SOCIAL EVENTS LEADING UP TO/AFTER CHRISTMAS: Thank you to those who came to the meeting a couple of Sundays ago. We will be working on the following:

- A Grand Christmas Draw
- Neighbourhood Carols with mince pies and mulled wine
- Parish Pre-Christmas buffet get-together
- Children's crown-making competition for Epiphany

We'll need cash and bottles for the draw. Can you help, please? Do you work for a company that might help with a prize or two? Please contact Lizzie in the office if you can. Many thanks.

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 15 OCTOBER	TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A	VIGIL (SAT) SUN (AM)	6.00 PM 10.00AM	+R & J Gowing & K.Hitchins +Fr. Gerrit Verveen (2 Anny)
Mon 16	Feria, week 28	No Mass		
Tues 17	St Ignatius of Antioch	Mass and Rosary Rosary	10.00am 5.30pm	+Ada Nora Hockey
Wed 18	St Luke	Mass and Rosary	10.00am	+Brigid Horan
Thurs 19	St John be Brebeuf and Comps	Mass and Rosary	10.00am	People of the Parish
Fri 20	Feria, week 28	Mass and Rosary	10.00am	+John Loftus
Sat 21	Feria, week 28	No AM Mass		
SUN 22 OCTOBER	TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A	VIGIL (SAT) SUN (AM)	6.00PM 10.00AM	Tony & Pauline (60th Anny) Seamus & Pam (Blessings)

14/15 Oct	Reader	EMHC	21/22 Oct	Reader	EMHC
Vigil	BD	KD	Vigil	GG	MH
10.00am	NM	JN	10.00am	SS	JK

A warm welcome to all our visitors today. Please make yourselves known to one of our Meet & Greet Team, who will be happy to help you.

LUCIA CRISANTE: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Lucia Crisante who died recently. Lucia's Funeral Mass will be offered at OLOL Church on Tuesday 24th October 2023 at 11.00am. May she rest in peace.

FR GERRIT VERVENNE: Fr's second anniversary occurs tomorrow. Mass will be offered for him today.

CAREER LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR SIXTH-FORMERS: Are you currently in Lower Sixth/Year 12/S5? Are you considering a public-facing career? Do you want to help build a Christian society? The Christian Leadership Formation programme uniquely offers a combination of stimulating and high-quality intellectual content, spiritual nourishment, personal development, inter-personal skills, team-building and socials in a tightly-knit community experience, with expert academics and professionals. Open to any student who is motivated by their faith and their studies, with bursaries available as needed. More information and applications via www.christianleadershipformation.com.

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 Hockey, Christine Houssiere, Dave Youngman, Barbara Williams, Joan Miller, Tony Thorpe, Malcolm Davies, Fiona Fallon, Patricia Clarke, John Hamon, Alice Loftus, Nicholas Donnelly, Celia Adams

A Worldwide Call to Prayer For Peace

During the 2nd World War, an advisor to P.M. Winston Churchill organized a group of people who, at a set time every day stopped whatever they were doing to pray in communion for Peace. At this time of so much suffering in the world brought on by natural disasters and in particular man's inhumanity to man, a new worldwide group has been set up for many countries to pray in unison. This will be repeated every day in Britain at 3.00pm to synchronize with countries all over the world. Please join them for **1 minute** every day in silent prayer for the security of our countries, for an end to oppression and for God to guide the decisions of our rulers.

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