

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

19TH NOVEMBER
2023
33RD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

NEIGHBOURHOOD CAROLS WITH LIVE NATIVITY TABLEAU: With mince pies and mulled wine, Sunday 10th December, 4.30pm in the church grounds. We would like to have a “live” Nativity tableau to provide a focus for our event. We will need lots of Marys, Josephs, sheep, shepherds, Roman soldiers, angels, and Wise Men. Children, please check your dressing-up boxes now! Tableau will take place in the presbytery conservatory so it will be well-lit and the children will not get cold.

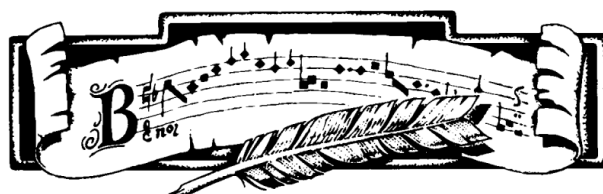


PARISH PRE-CHRISTMAS BUFFET GET-TOGETHER: Sunday 17th December in the parish hall. Food sign-up sheet available at back of church. See you there!

GRAND CHRISTMAS DRAW: We have some great prizes including £100 cash and lunch for two at the Lord Bute! Tickets available today in booklets of 5 at £1 per ticket. Please take what you think you can sell and flog them to family, friends, and neighbours: show no mercy :) **Please make sure you write the surname and telephone number of the buyer on each stub and return with monies next weekend if possible.** The draw will take place during the buffet event on 17th December.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Starts on December 3rd, the First Sunday of Advent, at 10.00am Mass. For Safeguarding reasons, children will not be able to just turn up: they will need to be registered beforehand. Please see Johanna at the end of Masses this weekend who will give you a registration form. Many thanks.

ST CECILIA'S DAY: Falls this Wednesday. St Cecilia is the Patron Saint of musicians so we offer special thanks and prayers to Jane and the choir.



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 19 NOVEMBER	THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A	VIGIL (SAT) SUN (AM)	6.00 PM 10.00AM	+ Brigid Horan For World Peace
Mon 20	Feria, week 33	No Mass		
Tues 21	Presentation of the BVM	Mass	10.00am	Val Kelleher (wellbeing)
Wed 22	St Cecilia	Mass	10.00am	People of the Parish
Thurs 23	St Clement I	Mass	10.00am	Divine Chaplet Thanksgiving
Fri 24	Ss Andrew Dung-Lac and Comp	Mass	10.00am	+ Don & Agnes Campbell
Sat 25	St Catherine of Alexandria	No AM Mass		
SUN 26 NOVEMBER	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE, YR A	VIGIL (SAT) SUN (AM)	6.00PM 10.00AM	Katherine Stopyra (birthday) +Frederick Hockey (26 Anny)

18/19 Nov	Reader	EMHC	25/26 Nov	Reader	EMHC
Vigil	GG	MH	Vigil	AN	JT
10.00am	JP	JK	10.00am	SS	JN

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.

CLOSER TO CHRIST CAMPAIGN:

Thank you for your tremendous response so far. We have now secured over 70% of our parish target of £55,000 from only 13 families, which is amazing. Please take this week's Campaign Newsletter home with you if you haven't received it electronically. The Newsletter has information on how we might reach our parish target over the next 3-5 years.

SCAFFOLDING: Finally we have had an inspection giving us the all clear to use the main doors again. We've had serious communication problems with the providers. Sorry for the inconvenience. Now we just need the next contractor to come and do the work on the façade for us.

PARISH WEEKLY COLLECTION

The Parish Weekly Collection on 11th and 12th November amounted to a total of £420.10 (excluding any Gift Aid that may be due). Many Thanks!

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, Celia Adams, Alice Loftus, Nicholas Donnelly, Churcher Family

MASS INTENTIONS If you would like a Mass Intention said in memory of a loved one or to celebrate a special occasion, please complete a Mass Intention envelope, which you will find at the back of Church, and either place in the collection plate at Mass, put through the Presbytery letterbox or hand to Lizzie in the Parish Office. Donations at time of booking would be very much appreciated. Thank you!

CHURCH FLOWERS I think you will agree that the Remembrance Floral Decorations were beautiful last weekend and we would like to take this opportunity of offering our thanks to Veronica and her team for their hard work and dedication. We are hoping to make a special impact over the Christmas period and nearer the time we shall be making a collection for Christmas Flowers. Your generosity would be very much appreciated!

BASICS BANK As the weather gets colder, there are many people out there suffering from lack of food, please give generously. Thank You

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