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

26TH NOVEMBER 2023 CHRIST THE KING



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TODAY'S GOSPEL CHRIST, JUDGE AND RULER OF ALL

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. Tableau will take place in the presbytery conservatory so it will be well-lit and the children will not get cold. If you are coming to sing, please wrap up warm and bring a torch! Please speak with Lizzie or Anne if you can help serve refreshments.

PARISH PRE-CHRISTMAS BUFFET GET-

TOGETHER: Sunday 17th December in the parish hall. Come for tea/ coffee after 10.00am Mass. Food will be served from noon. Food sign -up sheet available at back of church. See you there! Help needed with laying-out of food immediately before and after Mass. Please see Lizzie or Anne if you can help.

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 make sure you write the surname and telephone number of the buyer on each stub and return with monies today if possible. The draw will take place during the buffet event on 17th December.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Starts next Sunday 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.

CLOSER TO CHRIST CAMPAIGN: Thank you for your tremendous response so far. We have now secured over 80% of our parish target of £55,000 from only 20 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: A gantry is due to go up this week with a view to the cross being removed in one piece asap. Any ideas on where we might place it?

WEEKDAY MASSES: Please note, there are no Weekday Masses this week.

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 26 NOVEMBER	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE, YR A	VIGIL (SAT) SUN (AM)	6.00 PM 10.00AM	Katherine Stopyra (Birthday) +Frederick Hockey (26 Anny)
Mon 27	Feria, week 34	No Mass		
Tues 28	Feria, week 34	No Mass		
Wed 29	Feria, week 34	No Mass		
Thurs 30	St Andrew	No Mass		
Fri 1 DEC	Feria, week 34	No Mass		
Sat 2	Feria, week 34	No AM Mass		
SUN 3 DECEMBER	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR B	VIGIL (SAT) SUN (AM)	6.00PM 10.00AM	Christine Houssiere (Intention) +James Sweeney & Nancy

25/26 Nov	Reader	EMHC	2/3 Dec	Reader	EMHC
Vigil	AN	JT	Vigil	SD	KD
10.00am	SS	JN	10.00am	OB	SS

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.

PAT (PATRICIA) CLARKE: We are sorry to tell you that dear Pat died last Sunday after a long illness. Pat was a much-valued parishioner who had, in the past, been a Minister of Holy Communion and choir member. Pat was housebound these last two years but was supported full -time by her son, Paul, and many visitors. Pat was our "Jarrow Sparrow" who made Fr. Bill especially welcome because of their shared town of birth. Pat died on the anniversary of her wedding to Bill, who predeceased her. Pat's body will be received into OLOL Church at 12.30pm on Tuesday 5th December, followed by Funeral Mass at 1.00pm, and interment at Woodland Burial Ground at 2.30pm. May she rest in peace. Our thoughts and prayers are with Paul and his family at this time.

BRIAN BANTING: Please pray for Brian, husband of Robin, who died recently. Brian and Robin were active contributors to parish life here at OLOL before moving a couple of years ago to be nearer their children. Brian's Funeral Mass will be offered at OLOL at 10.30am on Tuesday 19th December. May he rest in peace.

CARMELITE PRAYER GROUP,

ROMSEY: Would you like to go deeper into your faith, grow in prayer, and develop your spiritual life? A lay Carmelite group meets on the third Saturday of the month in Romsey, 10.30am-3.00pm. Meeting includes shared and silent prayer, and discussion. For more info, please see noticeboard or email samanthaharris218@gmail.com

CAFOD ETHICAL CHRISTMAS

GIFTS: Please take a catalogue available from the back of the church.



FIRE WARDEN TRAINING: Saturday 13th January, 11.00am-12.30pm, parish hall. Open to everyone who might be interested, but especially our warden volunteers.

Parish Weekly Collection 18/19th Nov. £394.15 (excluding Gift Aid) Thank you!

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

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