

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

5TH NOVEMBER
2023
31ST SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

BAMENDA SUNDAY: Falls today. There will be a second collection for our sister diocese. For info about how this money is used please visit www.bamendaandportsmouth.com



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CHURCH MAIN DOORS: Please do not use the main doors for the time being until any storm damage can be ruled out. Please use the side entrance instead. The main doors will still be available as an exit in an emergency.

PLEASE NOTE: No Tuesday Mass this week at OLOL since Fr. Bill will be at the Cathedral for the annual Mass for deceased diocesan clergy.

PLEASE NOTE: No Friday Mass this week at OLOL due to cremation service.

DOREEN HEARNE: Please pray for Doreen who died last week. Doreen's funeral service will take place on Friday at 10.00am at Stem Lane Crematorium. May she rest in peace.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY: Falls next week. Please note, 10.00am Mass will begin with two minutes silence during which latecomers must remain outside. Last year there was significant noise from people trying to enter "quietly" that really disrupted the silence. Please be thoughtful. Thank you.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY TOWN SERVICE: Thank you to Andy, Johanna, and Judith who will represent the parish next Sunday.

TUESDAY EVENING ROSARY: Has ceased for the time being. It will restart when the evenings get lighter. Thanks to Teresa for leading the Rosary for us.

MONTHLY LIVING ROSARY GROUP: Takes place tomorrow in the parish hall at 5.00pm. All welcome.

GROWING CLOSER TO CHRIST DIOCESAN FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN: We are entering the last phase of our parish's campaign. Some significant pledges towards our 3-5 year target of £55,000 have already been made. Today, we invite you to take a campaign pack away with you and complete the slip with your contact details so that we might do some follow-up calls in the next week or so. Please do not feel pressured in any way: all we are asking is that you think about giving if—*and only if*— your circumstances should allow. Please be sure to share the pack with those who have your interests at heart and in whom you trust.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: We are hoping to start this on December 3rd, the First Sunday of Advent, at 10.00am Mass. We are looking for leaders and assistants, who will need to be DBS checked beforehand. Please see Fr. Bill or Johanna if you can help.



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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 5 NOVEMBER	THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A	VIGIL (SAT) SUN (AM)	6.00 PM 10.00AM	Heather Williams (Birthday) +Harriett Pendry
Mon 6	Feria, week 31	No Mass		
Tues 7	Feria, week 31	Mass at Cathedral	12.15pm	Holy Souls
Wed 8	Feria, week 31	Mass Mass St Peter's School	10.00am 4.00pm	+James, +Florence &+Spencer Cutajan & Saliba Dec. Mems
Thurs 9	Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	Mass	10.00am	Kiron, Keith, Bernadette
Fri 10	St Leo the Great	No Mass	10.00am	Cremation service for Doreen Hearne: Stem Lane
Sat 11	St Martin of Tours	No AM Mass		
SUN 12 NOVEMBER	THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A <i>REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY</i>	VIGIL (SAT) SUN (AM)	6.00PM 10.00AM	+ John Loftus + Bernard Delair

4/5 Nov	Reader	EMHC	11/12 Nov	Reader	EMHC
Vigil	AN	JT	Vigil	KD	BD
10.00am	CBry	JK	10.00am	RG	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.

SACRISTAN FOR FUNERALS: Fr Bill really needs someone to help him set -up the church for funerals. There is a lot to do immediately before a funeral, especially if it is a Funeral Mass. Fr. Bill needs to be free to interact with mourners, who often arrive early, especially readers and others taking part in the service who may not have done anything like this before. We have very few funerals, so the duties would not be onerous. You would need to be at church about 45 minutes before the service. If you are free daytime Tuesdays to Fridays and would like to help, please see Fr. Bill. Thank you.

WOOLENS FOR SEAFARERS: Stella Maris, the Seafarers' chaplaincy charity, thanks all who have been knitting. Items will be distributed by Portsmouth and Fawley teams. This is the last week for donations, so, if you have any hats or scarves ready, please bring them in by next weekend at the latest. Many thanks.



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

NEIGHBOURHOOD CAROLS: 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!

PARISH PRE-CHRISTMAS BUFFET GET-TOGETHER: Sunday 17th December in the parish hall. Sign-up sheets to follow shortly. See you there!

GRAND CHRISTMAS DRAW: We have some great prizes including £100 cash and lunch for two at the Lord Bute! Tickets available very shortly. The draw will take place during the buffet event on 17th December.

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL: If you would like to support Lizzie in providing shoebox presents for disadvantaged children, please let her know via the Office. Help make a boy or girl happy this Christmas!

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