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

7TH JULY 2024 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B

ORDINATIONS THIS WEEK: Please pray for Ryan Browne, from Iford, who will be ordained deacon on Wednesday in Rome. Also for Deacons Tom Hiney and Ambrose Chou who will be ordained priests for our Diocese at the Cathedral on Saturday at 11am.



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## PORTSMOUTH-BAMENDA GOLDEN

JUBILEE: Today marks the golden jubilee twinning of our Diocese with the Diocese of Bamenda in the Cameroon. Here at OLOL we are very aware of this important link through our previous priest, Fr George. We pray for all in the Cameroon where civil unrest has led to the loss of countless lives. We also pray in thanksgiving for the fruits borne of the Portsmouth-Bamenda partnership through the decades.

**THURDAY MASS:** Please note, there is no Mass at OLOL this Thursday.

**HOT WEATHER:** Water is available at the back of the church. Please do remember to bring a bottle of water with you if you can.

## PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE UPDATE:

We have been working on a number of initiatives over the last months. These include:

- 1. Adopting the new diocesan accounting package (Xero)
- 2. A disability access audit
- 3. A revised health and safety policy
- 4. A parish budget for 2024/25
- 5. An anti-terrorism attack policy (yes, really!)
- 6. A budget for our Centenary celebrations (2027)
- 7. New schema for the cleaning and possible repainting of our church interior walls

We have recently had our 5-yearly buildings inspection and are awaiting the report. Many thanks to the Committee and especially to our Parish Administrator, Lizzie, for expediting much of this difficult and, at times tedious, work, on our behalf. All of this work not only keeps us safe but also helps us comply with statutory charity and church law. If you wish to know more please have a word with Fr Bill, Lizzie, Andy, Colin, Joseph, Brian, Barbara, or Suzie. Thank you.

SEA SUNDAY: Next Sunday. Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, transporting huge percentages of our imports and exports and bringing fish and other seafood to our tables. Cargo and cruise ship workers usually spend nine months on board per contract. The Catholic charity Stella Maris works with other maritime agencies to provide shore and ship side support for seafarers around the world, many of whom are far from home and their families. Sea working can be extremely hazardous. Please pray for all who work at sea. There will be a retiring collection for Stella Maris next weekend.

#### 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 7 JULY	FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B	VIGIL (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	Paul Gordellier wellbeing +John Boocock
Mon 8	Feria, week 14	No Mass		
Tues 9	Ss Augustine Zhao Rong & Comp	Mass	10.00am	People of the Parish
Wed 10	Feria, week 14	Mass	10.00am	+Clara Fitzgerald
Thurs 11	St Benedict	No Mass		
Fri 12	Feria, week 14	Mass	10.00am	+Lynn Hewson
Sat 13	St Henry	No AM Mass		
SUN 14 JULY	FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B	VIGIL (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	+Fiona Fallon Allen & O'Shea Families

6/7 July	Reader	ЕМНС	13/714 July	Reader	ЕМНС
Vigil (Sat)	GG	JT,Cd'E,TC	Vigil (Sat)	MH	BD,KD,MH
10.00am	VJ	JK,JP,LE	10.00am	RG	LD,JN,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.

For more info and/or to donate online, please go to www.stellamaris.org.uk and follow the links. Thank you.

COLD CALL SCAM: Please be aware that there is a scam doing the rounds from somebody claiming to be "the local health care rep" saying that, "According to our records you are at risk of a fall and you need a free emergency pendant." IT IS A SCAM: HANG UP IMMEDIATELY.

They are trying to see if you are infirm, get access to your accommodation, and/or gain access to your ID or banking details. Scammers are incredibly skilled. ANYONE CAN BE

SCAMMED; DON'T FALL FOR IT.

HALL SECURITY: We've found the main door of the hall unlocked on quite a few occasions. Please take care. If you are the last to leave and have no key, please leave a message via the parish telephone. Thanks.

# NEW GOVERNMENT FOR THE UK AND NORTHERN IRELAND

We congratulate Sir Keir Starmer who has accepted his Majesty's request to form a new Government. Whatever side of the political divide we might adhere to, it is still essential that we offer goodwill to our elected representatives in parliament. May he have the gifts of prudence, humility and service.

#### HOSTS FOR UKRAINIAN

**REFUGEES** - With the war intensifying in the Ukraine, there is a greater need to find host families in the UK. New Forest District Council's Ukraine Support Worker is urging people to offer accommodation for the many refugees who are coming to Hampshire. Have you got a spare bedroom? Could you open up your home to help a traumatized person find safety and stability, even just for 6 months? If so, please contact Helen Andrews, Ukraine Support Worker, New Forest District Council email: helen.andrews@nfdc.gov.uk

**PRAYER CORNER:** Our prayers are asked for the following who are sick and/or housebound: T Steeles, Madelaine Newland, Robin Hockey, Dave Youngman, Barbara Williams, Joan Miller, Malcolm Davies, Alice Loftus, Nicholas Donnelly, Churcher Family, Elouise Sargent, Evelyn Merifield, John Allen, Marie Doolan, Paul Gordellier, Mary Tanner, Dcn. Anthony Cairns, Oliver, Gill Norris, Mary Dene.

# PARISH INFO-BAR

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# Live streaming

http://churchservices.tv/newmilton

# Parish website

ourladyoflourdes.co.uk

#### Diocesan website

<u>www.portsmouthdiocese.</u> org.uk

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