

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

22ND SEPTEMBER  
2024  
25TH SUNDAY IN  
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**WEEKDAY MASSES:** Please note, there are no weekday Masses this week.

**FR LAURENCE BRYCE:** Please welcome Fr Laurence who will be offering Masses this weekend.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** All children aged 5-8 welcome but please make sure they have a completed registration form, available at the back of the church.

**TONY HILL:** Tony's Funeral Service will take place on Friday at 1.00pm followed by Committal at Stem Lane Crematorium at 2.00pm. May Tony rest in peace. We continue to hold Anne in our prayers.

**GRAHAM THOMAS:** Please pray for Graham, father of Jacqui Nichols, who died last Sunday. Graham's Funeral Mass will be offered on Tuesday 8th October at 1.00pm at OLOL followed by interment at Milford Road Cemetery. May he rest in peace. We hold Jacquie, her brother, and their family in our prayers.

**PARKING:** We've had some complaints from our neighbours about inconsiderate parking. Please do not block driveways or park in front of dropped curbs, even partially, or otherwise inconvenience our church's neighbours. Thank you for taking care in this matter.

**OAKHAVEN HOSPICE:** Invites us to take part in an open evening about end of life care in our area. 2nd October, 4.00pm-6.00pm, New Milton Community Centre. Light refreshments will be served. This is a very important topic for all of us. Please see [oakhavenhospice.co.uk/future-plans](https://oakhavenhospice.co.uk/future-plans) for more info.

**SPONSORED WALK FOR PARKINSON'S UK:** Lizzie and Isabelle are walking the Test Way next Sunday to raise money for Parkinson's UK. If you'd like to contribute, please see Lizzie or email her via the parish office.

**SEASON OF CREATION:** Lasts until 4th October. This is a time to reconsider our relationship with Planet Earth and to take steps to enhance rather than destroy our local and global environment. For info please **visit:** <https://seasonofcreation.org>. We can also access articles from last year's parish newsletters for September by going to the archive section of the newsletter page of our parish website, [ourladyofLOURDES.co.uk](https://ourladyofLOURDES.co.uk)

**NEW LECTONARIES:** We have now paid for them ahead of their publication in October/November. Could we ask that those who very generously offered to cover the cost of one of the volumes let Lizzie know so that payment via cheque or bank transfer might be facilitated. Thanks you so much.

**GIFT AID:** Over the last year, 10% of our parish income has been through reclaimed cash via the Gift Aid scheme. Without it, we would not be making ends meet. If you pay income tax, then for every pound you give, we can reclaim 25p from the Inland Revenue at no cost to you. Think about it: every £100 Gift Aided gives the parish £25 extra. So if you are an income tax payer, please consider filling in a Gift aid Declaration Form available at the back of church. It will make such a huge difference to our parish finances. Thank you!

**CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY:** is on Friday 4th October. Your support of CAFOD's Harvest Appeal would be very much appreciated. Envelopes will be available at the back of Church next weekend and a poster is also on display on the Church noticeboard and on the roadside notice board for further information.

**CHRISTIAN ART:** offers an unique approach to daily Gospel readings. Each day it selects a work of art relevant to the day's scripture passage and offer a short reflection on the two. Further details at <https://christian.art/>

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 22 SEPTEMBER	TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B	VIGIL (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	+Thomas Merifield People of the Parish
Mon 23	St Pio of Pietrelcina	No Mass		
Tues 24	OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM	No Mass		
Wed 25	Feria, week 25	No Mass		
Thurs 26	Ss Cosmas & Damien	No Mass		
Fri 27	St Vincent de Paul	Funeral Mass for Tony Hill	1.00pm	
Sat 28	St Wenceslaus	No AM Mass		
SUN 29 SEPTEMBER	TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B	VIGIL (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	+Brigid Horan +Graham Thomas

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.

21/22 Sept	Reader	EMHC	28/29 Sept	Reader	EMHC
Vigil (Sat)	AN	JT,BD	Vigil (Sat)	JT	MH,BD
10.00am	SS	LD,JN,JK	10.00am	CB	JP,SS,JN

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** please note that the Parish Office will be open on Wednesday and Thursday this week instead of Friday.

**READERS & EMHCs:** All Readers & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion—please note that the new Rota is now available. Please let Lizzie know if you have not received your copy. There is also a copy on the noticeboard at the back of Church. We are desperately short of EMHCs for our Vigil Masses, which puts a huge demand on the 3 people that are available. If you normally attend the Vigil Mass, would you be prepared to take on this role. It is simple but extremely valuable to the smooth running of our services. Please let Fr. Bill know if you are willing and he will give you brief instructions. We are struggling so much at Vigil Mass, that we have reduced the numbers down to 2 Chalice bearers only!

**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, Nicholas Donnelly, Churcher Family, Elouise Sargent, Evelyn Merifield, John Allen, Marie Doolan, Paul Gordellier, Mary Tanner, Dcn. Anthony Cairns, Oliver, Gill Norris, Mary Dene, John Hamon.

**LYMINGTON BASICS BANK:** With the colder weather coming on, many families will be struggling to keep themselves warm and feed their families. Any gifts you are able to give will ease the desperation of people less fortunate than ourselves. Please give generously. Tinned items, dry foods, e.g. pasta and rice (un-opened), sanitary items, cereals are all welcome. Thank you for your generosity!

**UKRAINE APPEAL:** With an upturn of Russian attacks in Ukraine, they are desperate for candles (used and new), warm clothing in good condition and soft toys. Lizzie is liaising with a Ukrainian Charity in Lymington, so please ask her for further details.

**PARISH REGISTER:** If you are a regular parishioner, why not apply to be included on Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Register. If you are interested, please ask Lizzie for an application form.

**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 at the back of Church and place it in the collection place or hand to Lizzie in the Parish Office. Donation at time of booking please.

**PARISH INFO-BAR**

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**Live streaming**  
<http://churchservices.tv/newmilton>

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[ourladyoflourdes.co.uk](http://ourladyoflourdes.co.uk)

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