

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

22ND DECEMBER 2024,
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR C



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CHRISTMAS AT OLOL

CHRISTMAS EVE
5.00pm Children's Mass
Children to dress up
7.30pm Carols
8.00pm Mass During the Night

CHRISTMAS DAY
10.00am Morning Mass

CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S MASS:

Children, please make this Mass extra-special by dressing up as Nativity characters. We look forward to seeing you there!

CHRISTMAS OFFERING: We give all the money we receive from you on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day to our priest, Fr Bill, and it makes up a substantial part of his annual income. This includes giving via our card machine at the church entrance, and via this online portal, which will remain open for a couple of weeks:

<https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/fundraising/new-milton-our-lady-christmas-collection-2024>

This link is also available on our parish website: ourladyoflourdes.co.uk

Please let's show how much we appreciate Fr. Bill!

PEOPLES' SUNDAY MISSALS; Have been ordered. CTS will be available early January, Redemptorist, mid-January.

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY:
Centenary Fund.

PARISH CHRISTMAS DRAW: Today, during festive coffee after 10.00am Mass.

PARISH OFFICE: Is closed until the New Year. During that time, emails to the parish account will not be opened. If there is anything **really urgent** during that time (not Mass intentions or hall bookings!) please do email Fr Bill using his own email address. Please do **not** phone unless absolutely necessary. That will be a great help.

CRIB OFFERINGS: The Crib will remain up until 2 February, Candlemas. Any donations left by it will go to good causes in the Holy Land, administered by the Knights of the Holy Sepulchre.



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 DECEMBER	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR C	VIGIL (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	+Celia & +David Adams +Brigid Horan
Mon 23	Advent, of 23 December	No Mass		
Tues 24	CHRISTMAS EVE	CHILDREN'S MASS MASS DURING THE NIGHT	5.00PM 8.00PM	People of the Parish +Br James Ryan
Wed 25	CHRISTMAS DAY	MORNING MASS	10.00AM	+Philip Stephen Shanaghy
Thurs 26	St Stephen	No Mass		
Fri 27	St John the Evangelist	No Mass		
Sat 28	The Holy Innocents	No AM Mass		
SUN 29 DECEMBER	HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH, YRC	VIGIL (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	Lizzie and Malcolm (ann) +Anna Mathew

21/22Dec	Reader	EMHC	28/29 Dec	Reader	EMHC
Vigil (Sat)	AB	KD, C.d'E	Vigil (Sat)	GG	BD, MH
10.00am	NM	SS, LE, JN	10.00am	VJ	JK,LD, +1

PARISH GIVING:
 Please use this QR
 Code if you would
 like to support the
 parish further.



PLEASE NOTE: This newsletter covers two weeks.

CHRISTMAS THANK YOU'S:

Tree: donated by Tapper's Funeral Directors and decorated by Brian, Katherine, Anne, and a helpful visitor!
 Church Cleaning: Anne and team
 Crib: Joseph, and Andy and Johanna
 Carol Service catering: Anne and team
 Grotto lights: Mary and Roy
 Music: Sara and the choir, and Gordon
 Our welcomers, readers, and EMHC

MASSES 30TH DEC- 5TH JAN
 30/31 Dec: No Mass

**1ST JANUARY:
 MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**
 Noon—Sobius Poulouse

2 Jan: 10.00am
 People of the Parish
 3 Jan: 10.00am
 +Don & +Agnes Campbell
 4 Jan: No AM Mass

**SUNDAY 5TH JANUARY:
 THE EPIPHANY**
 Vigil (Sat): 6.00pm +Catherine Holland
 10.00am +Rae Moore

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, Gill Norris, Mary Dene, John Hamon, Philippe Hamon, Catherine d'Espagnac, Doreen O'Halloran.



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NEW YEAR'S DAY: Please join us for a glass of fizz to welcome in 2025 after noon Mass on 1st January.

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