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

SUNDAY 4TH MAY 2025, FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR C

# "Habemus Papam" – Cardinal Prevost has been elected Pope Leo XIV

Lord of life, love and hope, we thank you for the election of our new Pope.

Watch over, protect and bless Pope Leo XIV

We pray that, led by the Holy Spirit, his faithful witness will be a beacon of hope in our fragile and often divided world.

May the joy of the Gospel inspire him with compassionate understanding so that, together, we can be peacemakers and life-givers

FR KEVIN HOILES: Please welcome Fr Kevin who will be offering our Masses this weekend.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Fr Bill is on leave until Friday 16th May.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** Today, Clergy Training Fund.

**MONTHLY ROSARY GROUP:** Takes place this Monday,12th May, at 5.00pm in the parish hall. All welcome.

HAVE YOU LOST A HOUSE KEY? Key found in church with blue eye design fob. Please email the office or see Lizzie.

ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL: Less than 1 week left! Report Stage of the Assisted Suicide Bill is 16 May. Please take action now and visit www.righttolife.org.uk/ASVote to email your MP - it takes just 30 seconds! If you have the time, please also visit your MP - you can arrange a meeting now by visiting www.righttolife.org.uk/meetyourMP

## CHANGE OF DATE PARISH TABLE-TOP SALE: SUNDAY 18TH MAY - Doors open at 11.30am

Please note we have changed the date of this event from Saturday 17th to Sunday 18th May for logistical reasons. Tables in the Hall can be set up on Saturday morning at 11.00am We are also hoping to have tables in the gardens, weather permitting, but these will have to be set up on Sunday morning from 11.00am onwards. Please contact Lizzie if you would like to reserve a table at a cost of £10.00. This is a great opportunity to recycle good quality unwanted clothes and nicknacks and to pick up bargains! Please come and support us!

#### SIGNIFICANT WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

MASS: Are you celebrating a 25th, 30th, 40th,50th or 60th or over Anniversary? If so, Bishop Philip would like to invite you to a Mass of Celebration. This will take place at St. Bede's Church in Basingstoke on Saturday 21st June at 11.00am followed by a buffet lunch. Further details and request form for completion and return from anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

#### 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 11 TH MAY	FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR C	VIGIL (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	+John Edward Williams John & Lizzie (Birthday)
Mon 12	Of Easter, week 4			
Tues 13	Of Easter, week 4			
Wed 14	ST.MATTHIAS	Sorry, no	weekday	Masses this week
Thurs 15	Of Easter, week 4			
Fri 16	Of Easter, week 4			
Sat 17	Of Easter, week 4	No AM Mass		
SUN 18 TH MAY	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR C	VIGIL MASS (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	+Brigid Horan +Emlyn L.

10/11 May	Reader	EMHC
Vigil (Sat)	AB	BD, KD
10.00am	OB	JN, LD, JT

7/18 May Reader EMHC
/igil (Sat) TR KD, MH
0.00am RG SS, JP, JK

Please use this QR Code or card reader at back of church for general, second, and other collections, Mass cards, and candles. Many thanks.



## ST. PETER'S SCHOOL "HOLDING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE IN PRAYER"

**INITIATIVE.** St. Peter's are holding this initiative again this year for young students taking their exams over the next few weeks. There are bowls at the back of Church, so please pick out the name of a student and offer them prayers for the successful outcome of their exams.

MARY'S MEALS: Mary's Meals is a lifeline for children who are living in the most difficult circumstances. You can help children live a better life with Mary's Meals. Their low-cost approach means that any gift, no matter the size, can have a big impact on the life of a hungry child. For further information as to how you can help, please visit marysmeals.org.uk.

LYMINGTON BASICS BANK: We continue to collect items for Lymington Basics Bank and any gifts that you are able to give will ease the struggle of people less fortunate than ourselves. Tinned items, dry foods, e.g. pasta and rice (un-opened!), sanitary items, all welcome. Thank you!

## LET US NOT GROW TIRED OF DOING GOOD!

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 plate or hand in to Lizzie in the Parish Office.

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 pick up a form at the back of Church or speak to Lizzie in the Parish Office. We welcome you to our Church family!

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION (EMHCs)

We are extremely short of EMHCs at our Vigil Masses and if you come regularly to Vigil Mass, would you be interested in joining our small team? If so, please contact Fr. Bill. The more people we can get to help, takes the strain off the few!

#### **NEW AND PARTIALLY USED**

**CANDLES:** If you have any unwanted or partially used candles, these are invaluable for Ukrainian soldiers in the trenches on the front line. Please let Lizzie know if you can help. Thanks!

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, Philippe Hamon, Catherine d'Espagnac, Doreen O'Halloran, Liz Willis, Jenny Adams, Robert Myjak, Tanya Smijth-Windham

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#### Live streaming

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#### Parish website

<u>ourladyoflourdes.co.uk</u>

#### A Parishioner's Blog

the247catholic.blogspot.com

#### Diocesan website

www.portsmouthdiocese.

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