

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

SUNDAY 21ST  
SEPTEMBER 2025,  
25TH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME YB

**FR BILL WRITES:** There are several threads running through our readings today: (*CCC* = *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, available online)

- Responsibilities of those in authority and those who are led by them: see *CCC* para 2234-2240
- Respect for the poor: see *CCC* para 2443-2449
- Sharp business practices: see *CCC* para 2407-2414
- Prayers of petition, intercession, and thanksgiving: see *CCC* para 2629-2638

Why not look up what the *CCC* has to say on one or more of these topics? Do you agree with what you read?

Further Questions for consideration:

- Today is Home Missions Sunday. How might this be applied to these threads?
- What are the implications of describing Jesus as “a ransom for all”? (Second Reading)

**ANNUAL MASS COUNT:** Begins today for four weekends. Counters: please count *after* the Offertory.

**TODAY IS HOME MISSIONS SUNDAY:** For which there is a second collection.

**SECOND COLLECTIONS:** Today: Home Missions. Next Week: Centenary Fund. 4/5 Oct: CAFOD.

**NB:** Please note there is no Mass this Tuesday.



**ON WEDNESDAY WE KEEP THE NATIONAL FEAST OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM.**

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**SEASON OF CREATION:** Events at Our Lady of Mercy and St Joseph Church, Lymington: 24th September, 2.00pm: Blessing of Animals, 2nd October, 4.00pm. All welcome.

**CIVIC HARVEST SERVICE:** Sunday 28th September at 3.00pm at St. Mary Magdalene Church, New Milton. RSVPs required by 18th September. Further details on poster on the noticeboard at the back of Church.



**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

<b>SUN 21ST SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C</b>	<b>VIGIL (SAT) MASS</b>	<b>6.00PM 10.00AM</b>	+Deceased Priests +Marguerite Pilloud
Mon 22	Feria, week 25	No Mass		
Tues 23	Ss Pio of Pietrelcina	No Mass		
Wed 24	Our Lady of Walsingham	Mass	10.00am	Sacred Heart of Jesus (thank)
Thurs 25	Feria, week 25	Mass	10.00am	Our Lady of Lourdes (thanks)
Fri 26	Ss Cosmas and Damian	Mass Rosary	10.00am 10.30am	+Thomas Merifield (Bday)
Sat 27	St Vincent de Paul	No AM Mass		
<b>SUN 28TH SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C</b>	<b>VIGIL (SAT) MASS</b>	<b>6.00PM 10.00AM</b>	+Roy Fittell +Stanislaw Stopyra

<b>20/21 Sept</b>	Reader	EMHC	<b>27/28 Sept</b>	Reader	EMHC
Vigil (Sat)	AB	KD, BD	Vigil (Sat)	GG	KD, MH
10.00am	CB	JP, SS, LD	10.00am	JP	LE, LD, 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.



### LYMINGTON BASICS BANK:

We continue to collect items for Lymington Basics Bank and any gifts you are able to give will ease the struggle of people less fortunate than ourselves. Tinned items, dry food, e.g. pasta and rice, sanitary items welcome. Thanks. you!

### NEW FOREST FOR UKRAINE:

Lizzie attended a talk this week presented by the local organization, New Forest for Ukraine. Many of you have been donating new and used candles for this charity, which are melted down, put into tin cans with a wick, solidified and sent out to the troops on the front line. Not only do they offer light in the trenches but they can be used to warm hands and can even be used to warm up food in a jerry can. NF

Ukraine started as a very small organization at the beginning of the war but they have now expanded, liaising with other similar charities across the UK, Poland and Ukraine. They use huge lorries to transport 1,000 of tons of goods to the desperate people of Ukraine. Polish companies have also agreed to give them special rates for transporting goods in empty lorries returning to Poland from UK. With the war intensifying and winter drawing near, their plight is greater than ever. Not only are the soldiers desperate for aid but also the thousands of displaced people who need supplies of all kinds. Warm clothing, shoes, sanitary items, tins of soup, not forgetting the candles! Our generosity saves lives! Thank you.

### PARISH INFO-BAR

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<http://churchservices.tv/newmilton>

**Parish website**  
[ourladyoflourdes.co.uk](http://ourladyoflourdes.co.uk)

**A Parishioner's Blog**  
[the247catholic.blogspot.com](http://the247catholic.blogspot.com)

**Diocesan website**  
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**PRAYER CORNER:** Our prayers are asked for the following who are sick and/or housebound: T Steeles, Madelaine Newland, Robin Hockey, Barbara Williams, Joan Miller, Malcolm Davies, Churcher Family, Elouise Sargent, Evelyn Merifield, Marie Doolan, Mary & Roy Tanner, Gill Norris, Mary Dene, Philippe Hamon, John Hamon, Doreen O'Halloran, Liz Willis, Jenny Adams, Robert Myjak, Tanya Smijth-Windham, Deacon Steve Bowler, Fr Kevin, Peter Caffyn.