

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

SUNDAY 23RD
NOVEMBER 2025,
JESUS CHRIST, THE
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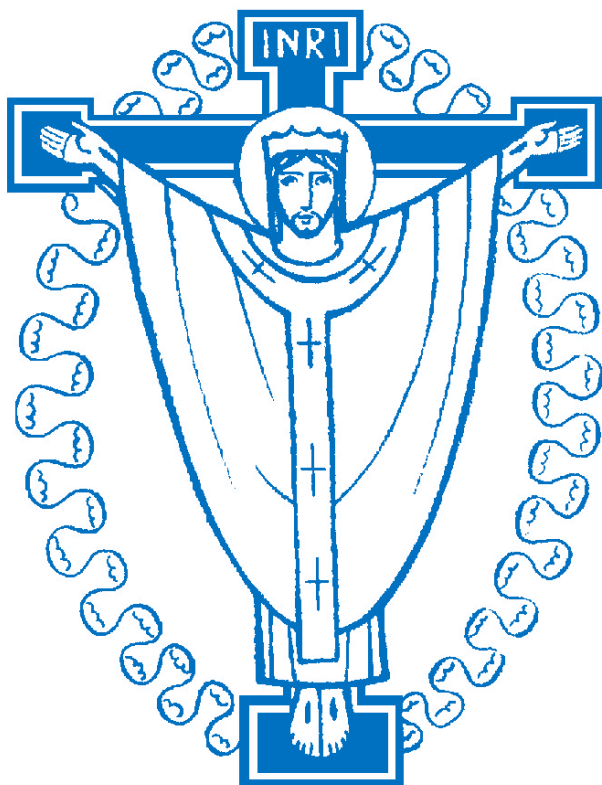


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DILEXI TE: Here is the next extract from Pope Leo's exhortation, "Dilexi Te" ("I have loved you"): On teaching the poorest:

For the Church, teaching the poor was an act of justice and faith. Inspired by the example of the Master who taught people divine and human truths, she took on the mission of forming children and young people, especially the poorest, in truth and love. This mission took shape with the founding of congregations dedicated to education....

For the Christian faith, the education of the poor is not a favor but a duty. Children have a right to knowledge as a fundamental requirement for the recognition of human dignity. Teaching them affirms their value, giving them the tools to transform their reality. Christian tradition considers knowledge a gift from God and a community responsibility. Christian education does not only form professionals, but also people open to goodness, beauty and truth.

Catholic schools, therefore, when they are faithful to their name, are places of inclusion, integral formation and human development. By combining faith and culture, they sow the seeds of the future, honor the image of God and build a better society.

FR DAVID QUARMBY: Fr David's Funeral Mass will take place on Monday 1st December at 12.15pm at Portsmouth Cathedral. All welcome. May he rest in peace.

PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH AND DRAW: Sunday 21st December. We are holding our Christmas Lunch in the Hall this year. An attendance list will be available shortly but we are looking for pledges for gifts for our Draw. Please let Lizzie know if you are able to help!

CHURCH NEIGHBOURHOOD CAROLS WITH NATIVITY TABLEAU: Sunday 14th December, 4.00pm, parish hall and presbytery garden. With mulled wine and mince pies. We also need our children to provide us with a nativity tableau: angels, shepherds, animals, wise men. Can you help?

CIVIC CAROL SERVICE: Saturday 6th December at 6.00pm at St Mary Magdalene Church. All welcome.

SIMBANG GABI MASS: Saturday 20th December at 3.00pm at OLOL. A special Pre-Christmas Filipino Tradition. All welcome.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES AT OLOL
CHRISTMAS EVE:
5PM CHILDREN'S MASS
(shepherds, angels, animals, kings required)
8.00PM MASS DURING THE NIGHT
(Carols from 7.30pm)
CHRISTMAS DAY: 10.00AM



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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 23RD NOVEMBER	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE	VIGIL (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	+Fr. David Quarmby Ann & Eamon FitzPatrick (Int.)
Mon 24	St Andrew Dung-Lac and comp			
Tues 25	Feria, week 34	No Mass		
Wed 26	Feria, week 34	Mass	10.00am	+Ted Nash (Birthday)
Thurs 27	Feria, week 34	Mass	10.00am	+Don & +Agnes Campbell
Fri 28	Feria, week 34	Mass Rosary	10.00am 10.30am	Dick & Denny (wellbeing)
Sat 29	Feria, week 34	No AM Mass		
SUN 30TH NOVEMBER	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR A	VIGIL (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	Katherine (21st Birthday) Thanksgiving

22/23 Nov Reader EMHC
 Vigil (Sat) SD BD, KD
 10.00am JP SS, LE, JN

29/30 Nov Reader EMHC
 Vigil (Sat) GG KD, MH
 10.00am VJ JK, SS, LD

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



GIFT AID: As Colin explained last week, everyone who currently Gift Aids needs to complete a new form available at the back of the church. If you pay income tax or capital gains tax and do not Gift Aid, please consider doing so. It makes a huge difference to our parish income at no extra cost to you: for every Gift Aided donation we receive, we can claim 25% back from HMRC. However, if you currently Gift Aid and no longer pay (enough) tax, please let Lizzie know. Many thanks.

NEW FOREST BASICS BANK: Is asking for donations of Christmas items, gifts and food, especially for children and the homeless. Gifts should be new or as new, age appropriate, and with CE mark/tag where required. Perhaps we might think of warm hats, gloves, socks, pens and pencils, puzzles, vouchers, Christmas crackers, chocolate bars, toiletries, and so on. The Basics Bank can also change cash donations into useful items. If you can help, please deposit at either entrance to the church or see Brian, Lizzie, or Fr. Bill. Thank you to our volunteers who deliver our donations to the Bank.

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.

SORRY: No children's liturgy today.

NB: No Mass this Tuesday.

BIRTHDAY CONGRATS; To Jane Gow celebrating her 89th birthday today!



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ST PETER'S SCHOOL: Has opened a consultation process for changes to its admission policy. Please see poster at back of church for more details.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS STALL: There will be a homemade Christmas Decorations stall in the Hall after Mass on Sunday 30th November. Please come and view these beautiful items made by one of our Parishioners. All proceeds to Church funds. Cash only, so please come prepared!

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