

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

SUNDAY 9TH
NOVEMBER 2025,
DEDICATION OF THE
LATERAN BASILICA
AND REMEMBRANCE
SUNDAY



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REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY: Today's 10.00am Mass will begin with two minutes silence. If you are late, please do not enter the church until after the Opening Prayer. Children: please go directly to the hall for your liturgy. Thank you.

THANK YOU TO: Judith and Veronica representing our parish at today's civic Act of Remembrance.

THANK YOU TO: Veronica for our moving Remembrance sanctuary display.

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 OFFICE closed next Friday 14th Nov.

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

God is merciful love, and his plan of love, which unfolds and is fulfilled in history, is above all his descent and coming among us to free us from slavery, fear, sin and the power of death. Addressing their human condition with a merciful gaze and a heart full of love, he turned to his creatures and thus took care of their poverty. Precisely in order to share the limitations and fragility of our human nature, he himself became poor and was born in the flesh like us. We came to know him in the smallness of a child laid in a manger and in the extreme humiliation of the cross, where he shared our radical poverty, which is death. It is easy to understand, then, why we can also speak theologically of a preferential option on the part of God for the poor, an expression that arose in the context of the Latin American continent and in particular in the Puebla

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 9TH NOVEMBER	LATERAN BASILICA. ALSO REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY	VIGIL (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	+David Buckland +Tony Thorpe (Birthday)
Mon 10	Pope St Leo the Great			
Tues 11	St Martin of Tours	Mass	10.00am	+Margaret Boland
Wed 12	St Josaphat	Mass	10.00am	+Brigid Horan (Birthday)
Thurs 13	Feria, week 32	Mass	10.00am	People of the Parish
Fri 14	Feria, week 32	Mass Rosary	10.00am 10.30am	Philippe Hamon (Birthday)
Sat 15	St Albert the Great	No AM Mass		
SUN 16TH NOVEMBER	ST EDMUND OF ABINGDON	VIGIL (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	+Patricia Rice +Edward & Dorothy Rooney

8/9 Nov	Reader	EMHC	15/16 Nov	Reader	EMHC
Vigil (Sat)	AB	BD, MH	Vigil (Sat)	TR	KD, MH
10.00am	OB	SS, JK, JT	10.00am	RG	JN, JP, JK

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Assembly, but which has been well integrated into subsequent teachings of the Church. This “preference” never indicates exclusivity or discrimination towards other groups, which would be impossible for God. It is meant to emphasize God’s actions, which are moved by compassion toward the poverty and weakness of all humanity. Wanting to inaugurate a kingdom of justice, fraternity and solidarity, God has a special place in his heart for those who are discriminated against and oppressed, and he asks us, his Church, to make a decisive and radical choice in favor of the weakest.

It is in this perspective that we can understand the numerous pages of the Old Testament in which God is presented as the friend and liberator of the poor, the one who hears the cry of the poor and intervenes to free them (cf. Ps 34:7). God, the refuge of the poor, denounces through the prophets — we recall in particular Amos and Isaiah — the injustices committed against the weakest, and exhorts Israel to renew its worship from within, because one cannot pray and offer sacrifice while oppressing the weakest and poorest. From the beginning of Scripture, God’s love is vividly

demonstrated by his protection of the weak and the poor, to the extent that he can be said to have a particular fondness for them. “God’s heart has a special place for the poor... The entire history of our redemption is marked by the presence of the poor.”

PARISH PIZZA AND TALENT NIGHT: Friday 21st November at 7.00 pm.

There is an Attendance Tick-Off list at the back of Church with menu choices. Tickets on sale after Mass. Payment can be made by card machine or cash. Cut-off date 16/11

PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH & 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!

HEALTH AND SAFETY UPDATE: Our hall and church have now been fitted inside and out with emergency lighting that will activate in the event of a loss of mains power due to fire or other cause. Many thanks to Colin for the massive scheme of H&S works he is managing for us.

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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.