

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

SUNDAY 8 FEBRUARY 2026  
FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR A



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## OUR LADY OF LOURDES, OUR PARISH PATRONAL FEAST DAY, FALLS THIS WEDNESDAY.

Although there is no Mass that day, why not pay our church a visit or offer a joyful decade of the Rosary at home or during a work break?

**FR BILL:** Is taking a short break this week. We welcome Fr Paul Lyons who is offering Masses for us this weekend. There are no weekday Masses this week and no Friday Rosary.

**RESTORED CROSS:** Still waiting for drier weather.

**ANNUAL FIRE DRILL:** Is due and will take place in the next few weeks.

**WE HAVE SEVERAL NATIONAL/WORLD DAYS OF PRAYER THIS WEEK:** For those being trafficked (today), those who are sick (Wednesday), the people of [Eastern] Europe (Saturday), and those who are unemployed (next Sunday). Please keep these intentions in your prayers.

**ARCHBISHOP DEREK WORLOCK:** Please pray for the onetime Bishop of Portsmouth and then Archbishop of Liverpool who died this day in 1996. May he rest in peace.

**BAPTISM JOY:** Please pray for Thomas O'Sullivan being baptized next Sunday after Mass.

**ASH WEDNESDAY:** Falls on 18th February this year. There will be Masses with Distribution of Ashes at 10.00am and 6.00pm at OLOL.

**LENT STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Each Friday (beginning 20th), 10.30am (English), 6.00pm Malayalam. All welcome.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:** Some of our teens have been asking about this. At the minute, Bishop Phillip celebrates this Sacrament on a Pastoral Area level every two years. So we are not due until Eastertide 2027.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** Reminder that parents need to fill in a registration form for their child to attend Children's liturgy. Forms (in pink) are at the back of the church.

**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 it in to Lizzie in the Parish Office.

## LITURGICAL CALENDAR, MASS/SERVICE TIMES, AND PRIEST'S INTENTIONS

CONFESIONS – 5.30PM SATURDAY, (OR AFTER WEEKDAY MASS ON REQUEST)

TEA/COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MORNING MASS IN PARISH HALL

SUN 8TH FEBRUARY	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A	VIGIL (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	+Yon & Pottackal Families Mary & Roy Tanner (health)
Mon 9	Feria, week 5	No Mass		
Tues 10	St Scholastica	No Mass		
Wed 11	Our Lady of Lourdes	No Mass		
Thurs 12	Feria, week 5	No Mass		
Fri 13	Feria, week 5	No Mass No Rosary		
Sat 14	Ss Cyril and Methodius	No AM Mass		
SUN 15TH FEBRUARY	SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A	VIGIL (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	People of the Parish Fr. Bill (wellbeing)

7/8 Feb	Reader	EMHC	14/15 Feb	Reader	EMHC
Vigil (Sat)	TR	MH, KD	Vigil (Sat)	AB	KD, BD
10.00am	JP	SS, JK, LD	10.00am	RG	LD, JN, 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.



**PARISH DIGITAL ARCHIVE;** We are digitising our existing archive so that we can put a special page on our website. This is all part of our lead-up to the Parish's Centenary. Do you have any good quality photos or documents that might be relevant? We don't have many recent photos (after 1990-ish) but we will need permission from those on a photo if they are happy to be identified. Please see Fr Bill. Thanks.

**PARISH REGISTER:** If you regularly come to Mass, you may wish to be included on Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Register. If so, please pick up an application form at the back of Church.

**GIFT AID:** Please complete new forms available at the back of church. Thank you.

**RACIAL JUSTICE COLLECTION:** Thank you for your donations that came to £99.82.

**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!

### ESCORTED PILGRIMAGE TO WESTPORT, KNOCK & CO.

**MAYO:** Sunday 8th March until Friday 13th March 2026. £899 per person to include flights from Heathrow or Luton to Knock, 5 nights in 4 Star Castlecourt Hotel in Westport, all entertainment, excursions and transport. Single Supplement on enquiry. For further information contact 01268 762 278, 07740 175 557 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com) Details also on noticeboard at the back of Church.

**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, Deacon Steve Bowler, Fr Kevin, Peter Caffyn & Peter Hawksworth.

### PARISH INFO-BAR

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A Parishioner's Blog  
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Diocesan website  
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