



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

SUNDAY 14TH
JUNE 2026
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POPE LEO'S ENCYCLICAL ON MODERN

TECHNOLOGY: Over the next few weeks, we'll be offering key excerpts from this important document. Today, we have this:

100. In light of what has been said, we can better understand why AI can be a valuable tool and, at the same time, why it calls for a measured and vigilant approach. In recent years, its private use has expanded significantly, prompting growing reflection on both the opportunities it offers and the risks tied to its rapid spread. In personal use, three aspects in particular deserve careful consideration: the ease with which results are obtained, the impression of objectivity and the simulation of human communication. The speed and simplicity with which information, complex analyses, media content and practical assistance can be accessed undoubtedly makes life easier. Yet they can also encourage excessive reliance and the search for ready-made answers, and weaken personal creativity and judgment. The apparent objectivity of the responses and suggestions these systems provide can lead us to overlook the fact that they reflect the cultural assumptions of those who designed and trained them, with all their strengths and limitations. The artificial imitation of positive human communication — words of advice, empathy, friendship and even love — can be engaging and at times genuinely helpful. However, for less discerning users, it can also be misleading, creating the illusion of a relationship with a real personal subject. When words are simulated, they do not build genuine relationships, but only their appearance. The artificial imitation of care or support

can become particularly risky when it enters contexts where real relationships and emotional bonds are lacking. Here, the danger is not so much that a person may believe they are communicating with another person, but rather that they may gradually lose the very desire to form genuine human connection.

Question: What do YOU think are the human issues that need to be addressed?

PARISH CREAM TEA: Today at 3.00pm in church grounds (weather permitting). All proceeds to the Centenary Fund.

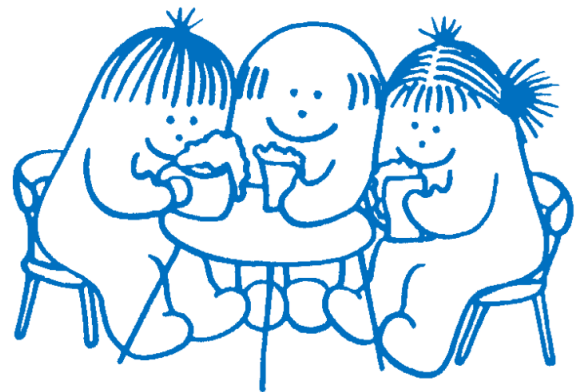


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SPECIAL PRAYERS, PLEASE: For Mary recovering from a stroke, for Gisele recovering from a fall and fracture, for Robin convalescing, and for Barbara undergoing a further op.

ROY BENTLEY: Roy's Funeral Service will take place on Thursday at 12.30pm at OLOL followed by interment at Milford Road Cemetery. May he rest in peace.

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 14th JUNE	11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A	VIGIL (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	People of the Parish +Veronica Pizer
Mon 15	Feria	No Mass		
Tues 16	St Richard of Chichester	No Mass		
Wed 17	Feria	Mass	10.00am	People of the Parish
Thurs 18	Feria	Mass Funeral Service	10.00am 12.30pm	No Intention +Roy Bentley
Fri 19	St Romuald	Mass Rosary	10.00am 10.30am	No Intention
Sat 20	St Alban	No AM Mass		
SUN 21st JUNE	12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A	VIGIL (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	No Intention +Veronica Pizer

13/14 June Reader EMHC
Vigil (Sat) AB KD MH
10.00am CB JN SS JK

20/21 June Reader EMHC
Vigil (Sat) TR MH KD
10.00am OB JP LE SS

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



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:

Many thanks to Johanna, Jackie, Andy, and Corina, our catechists, and to Johanna for the festive flowers.



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SECOND COLLECTIONS:

Today, Centenary Fund; next week, Day for Life; weekend after, Peter's Pence.

PARISH HALL DECORATION:

Our hall is in real need of redecoration. Can you help? We're looking to form a team of painters to blitz the place over a long weekend sometime soon. Can you help? Please email the office to offer your time, brushes, and rollers. Many thanks.

MASS INTENTIONS: If you would like a Mass Intention said in memory of a loved one, to celebrate a special occasion, or to offer petitions or thanksgiving, please complete a Mass Intention Envelope at the back of Church and place it in the collection bag.

BIBLE ILLUSTRATION

NATIONAL COMPETITION:

The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales is co-sponsoring a project to illustrate all 73 books of the Bible. Graphic artists are invited to register their interest asap. For more info, please visit:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/divine-designs-art-competition-calls-for-cover-designs-for-the-bibles-73-books/>

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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, Deacon Steve Bowler, Fr Kevin, Anne Harries, Pat Newman, Giselle Bazerghi.