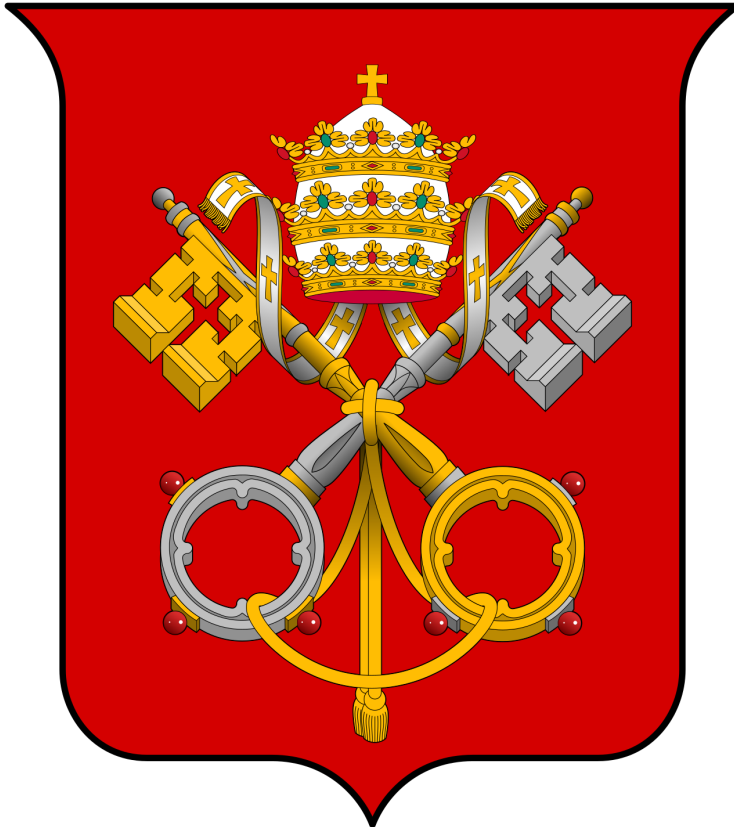




NEWSLETTER OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES, NEW MILTON

SUNDAY 23RD
AUGUST 2026
21ST SUNDAY
OF YEAR A



TODAY'S GOSPEL "YOU ARE PETER.... I GIVE YOU THE KEYS OF THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN."

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PARISH INTERNATIONAL FOOD FESTIVAL:

Celebrating our diverse parish make-up. Next Sunday 30th August, 3.00pm. Please bring your own traditional tasty food to share with us. We already have offers from Kerela, the Philippines, Brazil, Poland, China, Sweden and UK. No charge; just donations towards parish funds. Please bring your own drinks. See you there! NB. you don't have to bring food: there will be plenty to taste. Also, please bring picnic sets and blankets.

HOT WEATHER: Please remember to bring water with you to Mass. There is also water available at the back of the church.

BAPTISM JOY: To Blythe Abigail Bico being baptized next Sunday.

EXAM RESULTS TIME: Please keep in your prayers all of our young people who have received exam results at this time. We hope they did as well as they expected and that their preparations for moving on will go smoothly.

PARISH HISTORY RESEARCH: We are still looking for someone with the time and patience to trawl through local digitalized archives (newspapers, mainly) to see what we might add to our existing archive. It would be a great project for a budding historian or media student. Would look impressive on a university application CV! Can you help? Please see Fr Bill.

PURSE FOUND: Please see Fr Bill if you think it belongs to you.

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK: Wednesday and Friday noon - 4.00pm.

PETER WATTS: Peter's Funeral Service will take place at Stem Lane Crematorium on Wednesday 2nd September at 1.30pm. 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 23RD AUGUST	21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A	VIGIL (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	Intention available +Mary Tanner
Mon 24	St Bartholomew	No Mass		
Tues 25	Feria	No Mass		
Wed 26	Bl Dominic Barberi	Mass	10.00am	+Jane Slowman
Thurs 27	St Monica	Mass	10.00am	+Sabu P.M.
Fri 28	St Augustine of Hippo	Mass Rosary	10.00am 10.30am	People of the Parish
Sat 29	Passion of St John the Baptist	No AM Mass		
SUN 30TH AUGUST	22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR A	VIGIL (SAT) MASS	6.00PM 10.00AM	+Thomas Merifield Intention available

22/23 Aug	Reader	EMHC	29/30 Aug	Reader	EMHC
Vigil (Sat)	AB	None	Vigil (Sat)	TR	None
10.00am	VJ	JK LD JP	10.00am	CB	SS 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.



THE CENTENARY MERCH HAS ARRIVED!

Please see sample tea towel and mug at the back of church. The tea towels are large, high quality cotton with lovely pictures from our children (see poster in the hall). The mugs are bone china with our centenary logo on them. We have them in stock now (limited supply available!) but they must be ordered using an order sheet completed with all the necessary info supplied AND CASH PAYMENT. These would make GREAT Christmas presents.



TEA TOWELS: £5 EACH

MUGS: £8 EACH

TEA TOWEL & MUG SET: ONLY £12

ORDER YOURS TODAY!!!!

LOCKING UP: As you may know, our church is open everyday. However, it must be locked at the end of each day. We have a rota to do this but not enough volunteers. Can you help one day per week? Please email the office if you are interested. Many thanks.

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, Roy Tanner, Gill Norris, Mary Dene, Philippe Hamon, John Hamon, Doreen O'Halloran, Liz Willis, Jenny Adams, Deacon Steve Bowler, Fr Kevin, Anne Harries, Giselle Bazerghi, Jean Peltier.

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