



## OUR LADY OF RANSOM, ST GREGORY AND ST AGNES



### CHURCH NOTICES FOR JANUARY 2026

<b>Thursday 1 January 2026</b> <b>Mary, Mother of God</b>	OLR	11.00 am	Andrew Somerville RIP
<b>Friday 2 January</b>	OLR	11.00 am	Maria Carmela Cirillo RIP
<b>Saturday 3 January</b>	OLR	10.00 am 6.00 pm	Patrick Sloane RIP Intentions of Jim and Myra Sheridan
<b>Sunday 4 January</b> <b>SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS (A)</b>	St G OLR St A OLR	09.00 am 10.15 am 11.30 am 5.30 pm	Martin Briggs RIP People of the Parish Intentions of Andrew Sheppard Deena Davis
<b>Monday 5 January</b>	OLR	11.00 am	In thanksgiving for Zion Abraham
<b>Tuesday 6 January</b> <b>EPIPHANY OF THE LORD</b>	OLR OLR	11.00 am 7.00 pm	Elaine Lang RIP Intentions of Fr Kevin
<b>Wednesday 7 January</b>	OLR	11.00 am	Terence North RIP
<b>Thursday 8 January</b>	OLR	11.00 am	Ethna Owen RIP
<b>Friday 9 January</b>	OLR	11.00 am	Dennis Richards RIP
<b>Saturday 10 January</b>	OLR	10.00 am 6.00 pm	Ann Pammina Jose RIP In thanksgiving, Julian and Miriam
<b>Sunday 11 January</b> <b>BAPTISM OF THE LORD</b>	St G OLR St A OLR	9.00 am 10.15 am 11.30 am 5.30 pm	Liz Mason – for recovery from illness People of the Parish Bernard and Rita Davies RIP Jennifer Barr-Sanders RIP
<b>Monday 12 January</b>	OLR OLR	11.00 am 1.00 PM	David Brazier RIP <b>REQUIEM: LORETTA WOOD RIP</b>
<b>Tuesday 13 January</b>	OLR	11.00 am	William Gerlach RIP
<b>Wednesday 14 January</b>	OLR	11.00 am	John Chapman RIP
<b>Thursday 15 January</b>	OLR	11.00 am	Intentions of Emma and John McPherson
<b>Friday 16 January</b>	OLR	11.00 am	<b>REQUIEM: MARY MOON RIP</b>
<b>Saturday 17 January</b>	OLR	10.00 am 6.00 pm	Deceased Thresia family members Michael Aquilina RIP
<b>Sunday 18 January</b> <b>SECOND SUNDAY (A)</b>	St G OLR St A OLR	9.00 am 10.15 am 11.30 am 5.30 pm	Tom McGovern RIP People of the Parish Jennifer Barr-Sanders RIP The Living and the Dead
<b>Monday 19 January</b>	OLR	11.00 am	Intentions of Teresa Loughman
<b>Tuesday 20 January</b>	OLR	11.00 am	Sheila Lyons RIP
<b>Wednesday 21 January</b> <b>FEAST OF ST AGNES</b>	OLR ST A	11.00 am 7.00 pm	Elizabeth Peters RIP Intentions of Fr Charles
<b>Thursday 22 January</b>	OLR	11.00 am	Intentions of Fr Christopher Bergin
<b>Friday 23 January</b>	OLR	11.00 am	Reginald Read RIP
<b>Saturday 24 January</b>	OLR	10.00 am 6.00 pm	Adrian Glynn RIP Helen Deadman RIP
<b>Sunday 25 January</b> <b>THIRD SUNDAY (A)</b>	St G OLR St A OLR	9.00 am 10.15 am 11.30 am 5.30 pm	In Thanksgiving, Golden Wedding Anniversary People of the Parish Carmen Pumar RIP William (Billy) Bennett RIP
<b>Monday 26 January</b>	OLR	11.00 am	The Living and the Dead
<b>Tuesday 27 January</b>	OLR	11.00 am	Giovanni Barza RIP
<b>Wednesday 28 January</b>	OLR	11.00 am	Marie Hunt RIP
<b>Thursday 29 January</b>	OLR	11.00 am	Intentions of Carol Kelly
<b>Friday 30 January</b>	OLR	11.00 am	Holy Souls
<b>Saturday 31 January</b>	OLR OLR	10.00 am 6.00 pm	In Thanksgiving Intentions of Fr Tony Shelby

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 10.30-11.00 am

Wednesday Rosary for Peace 10.25-10.50 am before Mass

Friday 11.30 am-6.00 pm Benediction

Saturday 10.30 am-12.00 noon Benediction

**CONFESIONS:** Saturday 10.45-11.45 am and 5.00-5.45 pm (OLR)

**ROSARY:** St G - Tuesdays 10.30 am

OLR – after Monday, Tuesday and Thursday Masses

**DAILY PRIVATE PRAYER:** OLR open daily 8.00 am-6.00 pm

**LIVE-STREAMED MASSES:** [www.youtube.com/ourladyofransom](http://www.youtube.com/ourladyofransom)

**Fr Kevin & Fr Charles wish you all a Happy and Holy Christmas and Peaceful New Year**

**THE CHRISTMAS OFFERTORY COLLECTION:** This is your personal gift to our Priests, as part of their annual income. They thank you for your kind generosity and prayers. Please use the envelopes provided.

**PARISH COLLECTIONS:** 7 December £2645 – 14 December £2815; Arundel Cathedral Maintenance Fund £414

**UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:** Christmas Crib Collection is for Catholic Children's Society's A&B Crisis Fund for family crises; 11 Jan – Friends of the Holy Land; 18 Jan - Pax Christi

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Ana Ramsey, Pat Avann, Pauline Bosley, Antoinette Mercieca and all our sick and housebound.

**FOR ALL WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY:** Richard Wilson, Mary Moon, Loretta Wood and Robert Cutler & for their families & friends

**SEMINARIAN ON PLACEMENT:** Luke Roberts is completing his first year in formation for the Priesthood for our Diocese, in Valladolid (Spain). He will be undertaking a Pastoral Placement in Our Lady of Ransom from 3-28 January and we look forward to him getting involved across our churches, hospital, schools during those weeks.

**PARISH DIARY**

**Saturday 10 January** – Lumen Christi Group, OLR Hall, 3.30-6.45 pm

**Saturday 17 January** – FHC Classes, OLR Hall, 9.00-10.00 and 10.30-11.30 am

**Saturday 24 January** – Lumen Christi Day Retreat at Ashburnham, 8.00—18.45 pm

**Tuesday 27 January** – Hospital Mass at 12 noon

**Thursday 29 January** – Film Night, "Mary Magdalene", 6.30 pm, OLR Hall (6.15 Refreshments); A compelling watch; all welcome

**Saturday 31 January** – RCIA Session, OLR Hall, 9.00-10.30 am

**Sunday 18 – Saturday 24 January**, Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity

**HOSPITAL MINISTRY:** The next Mass is **Tuesday 30 December** and then on **27 January**, 12.00 noon in the Hospital Chapel. Come and pray for patients, their families and the staff of the Hospital; All welcome. If you are in hospital or have a friend who would like a visit from a priest, or you are going for surgery and would like to be Anointed in advance, please tell Fr Kevin or Fr Charles.

**REGULAR PARISH PRAYER GROUPS** – New members are welcome, just pop in

**Contemplative Prayer Group:** The Group is taking a Winter break and will resume in March.

**Co-workers of St Mother Teresa:** Third Wednesday of the month, Parish Meeting Room, OLR, after 11.00 am Mass

**Mothers' Prayers:** Alternate Thursdays in Parish Meeting Room, OLR, after 11.00 Mass

**Padre Pio Group:** Second Monday of the Month, Parish Meeting Room, OLR, 6.00-7.00 pm

**SVP Group:** Last Monday of the Month, Parish Meeting Room, OLR, 6.00-7.00 pm

**Kairos Charismatic Prayer Group:** The Group is taking a break and will advise news in due course.

**CHRISTMAS DRAW WINNERS:** 1st Orla Phipps £100; 2nd Angela Rawlinson £60; 3rd Pamela Francis £50; 4th Paul Turner £25;

Plus 5 x Christmas bonuses of £20 each: Jean Peterken, Estela Simkins, Doreen Bergin, Anne Knowles, Ron & Clare Brazier

Next draw: Sunday 18 January after the 10.15 Mass; new members' Registration Forms at the back of churches.

**CARMELITE PODCAST SERIES STARTING 6 JANUARY 2026 (EPIPHANY):** As this Jubilee year ends we are most interested in the fruits of this journey. The conclusion of a Jubilee is not an end but a harvest, a time to gather the spiritual fruits cultivated through prayer, penance, pilgrimage, and dialogue with reality; what new light has dawned, what new understanding has emerged and what new path has been illuminated? In a new podcast series on YouTube, "Fourteen Stations of Hope", a prayer devotion and litany of hope is now offered of 14 biblical topics ranging from "The Annunciation (Luke 1:26 – 38) Message of Hope/ Dawn of Hope" to "The Great Commissioning (Matthew 28: 16-20) – Hope Sent to be Present in the World". For details and to sign up, visit <https://www.carmelite.uk.net/online-talks-retreats/moments-of-hope-series>.

**MESSAGE FROM CAFOD:** We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to you and your parish for the generous donations, prayers, and actions in support of CAFOD's work this Jubilee year

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY**

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD DAY OF REFLECTION** – Saturday 24 January, St Michael's Church, Worthing, 11.00-4.00 pm; there will be talks, Lectio Divina ending with Mass. A very highly recommended day. Bring a packed lunch.

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