

Our Lady

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Saturday	6.30pm	Barbara Colbenson
Sunday	9.00am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Golden Wedding – Mustow
Monday	8.30am	Gilian O’Ryan
Tuesday	9.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Wednesday	9.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Thursday	9.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Friday	9.00am	Service of the Word & Holy Communion

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday	6.30pm	Private Intention
Sunday	9.00am	Private Intention
	10.30am	Private Intention

Novena	No novena this week
Confessions	No confessions until further notice
Meditation	Saturday at 10.15am

Counters team next Sunday - Team D

Tina Bradley Pat O’Neile Anne Edwards John Petford

PARISH HOUSE KEY HOLDERS

Last Saturday when I was not here a parishioner tried to gain access to the parish house to print off the newsletter. Sadly she could not do so simply because she did not know that at night a second lock is placed on the door. To gain access one has to unlock that lock which is below the normal lock. Sorry about the inconvenience.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

At last I have a date for the training of Eucharistic Ministers. It is to be held in the Irenaeus Centre, Waterloo on Saturday 7th October from 9.15am to 4.30pm. Anyone who has attended in the past has thoroughly enjoyed the day and not least the lunch!!! Some people have expressed a willingness to train. Please let me know if you are still interested.

GARDEN

The garden is looking spectacular at the moment. Thank you very much to all who are working so hard on it. Now the border in the car park in the hall is being attacked. I can’t wait to see how that will turn out. It will be so welcome. Thanks too to all who have offered to do odd jobs in the parish. This is a great help and a great saving. If you missed that appeal and can help in any way – electrics, plumbing, joinery etc – please have a word.

PORTICO FUNDRAISERS

Portico Fundraisers Autumn plant sale will be held here on the weekend of 16/17th September. Please pray for good weather like you’ve never prayed before!!!!!! Portico Fundraisers are now collecting for Intercare plasters (elastoplasts) of all sizes and shapes which are desperately needed for their clinics in Africa. The cream coloured collection bin showing Humpty Dumpty is in the Church hall porch. Thank you.

POWERPOINT

After years of producing the powerpoints for Sundays and feast days James Gilgannon, because of growing commitments, feels that he can no longer continue. He has done an absolutely wonderful job and we owe him a great debt of gratitude. May God bless him for it. Now I must look for a replacement. Ideally, as with the newsletter, it would be good to have a few people to do it so that it does not become too much of a burden. So, is there anyone who has powerpoint skills and is willing to help please?

FOCUSSED

I’m amazed at the way people, without the aid of music or a hymn, having meted and greeted, are beginning to focus on the Lord in preparation for the celebration of the Eucharist. Well done. It is such a shame to come to Mass and only encounter people, such a loss.

MISSIONARIES

The work of missionaries has been profoundly transformed. Their mission is not to “conquer” people for the faith, but to work tirelessly for the liberation of people from hunger, misery or sickness. They are Christ’s best witnesses on earth. Their service can lead to true faith in Jesus Christ. Jose A Pagola.