

Our Lady of Lourdes Church

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Parish Newsletter for
Sunday 11th December 2016

**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
YEAR A
GAUDETE SUNDAY**

Response to the Psalm:

Come, Lord, and save us.

Mystery of Faith:

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

Please remember in your prayers: the sick and the housebound, at home, in hospital or in residential care.

We remember especially:

Ellen Altringham, Katherine Cunningham, Fr. Cyril Elkington, Felicity Goddard, Veronica Hurtswaite, Roisin McCabe, Dominic Nutt, Rowena A, Pat Sullivan, Donald Terry, Josephine Terry, Shaun Wilkinson, Doreen Wood, Margaret Maloney, Antoinette Abraham, Christopher Karimi Muthike, Merlyn Lee, Jackie McNamara, Christine Larkin, Margaret Mizen.

May the Lord bring them comfort and healing and bring strength to those who care for them.



Please pray for those who have died, remembering especially those whose anniversary fall about this time:

Anna Copocci, Joan Barbara Shaw, Joan Thurgash, Jany Gomm, Brian Farmer, Rosemary & Proctor family, June Proctor, Frank Hume, Gillian Henley, Irene Kainza-Olwa, Maxwell Norton, Michael Quinn, Elizabeth Graves, George Everson, Brigid Browne, Marjorie David, Graham Michell

May these, and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in the peace, and joy of Christ.

We, the priest and parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Lee, seek to continue to give witness to God's inclusive love, by welcoming everyone.

THIS WEEK - MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday	10th	9.00am 6.30pm	First Mass of Sunday	Priest's intention Ben Rose RIP
Sunday	11th	9.00am 11.00am	Second Sunday of Advent Year A	People of the parish Clare Dussus RIP
Monday	12th	9.30am		Proctor Family
Tuesday	13th	7.30pm	St Lucy	Lizzie & family deceased
Wednesday	14th	9.30am	St John of the Cross	John Healy RIP
Thursday	15th	9.30am		Poor, sick & needy
Friday	16th	9.30am		Welfare of priests
Saturday	17th	9.00am 6.30pm	First Mass of Sunday	Priest's intention Martin & Sheila Owens RIP
Sunday	18th	9.00am 11.00am	Fourth Sunday of Advent Year A	Joe Ryan RIP People of the parish

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Next Saturday 9.30-10.15am and 5.45-6.15pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

½ hour Adoration after the weekday morning masses.

First Friday Adoration: until 12noon every month.

CHURCH CLEANING: 9.00am every Tuesday

PRAYER GROUP: Next meeting will be on 1st Wednesday in February.

FATHERS PRAYER GROUP: Every first Wednesday of the month at 8pm.

ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Sunday Coffee: Volunteers
Collection Counters: Jocelyn

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 7:10-14; Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-24

Website news!!

Our Parish website is now live. The address is lol-lee.org We will of course continue to provide paper copies but hope to reduce the number to save paper and printing costs. Please help by using this option if you can.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

200 Club Winners

4/12/2016 £25 No. 65 Janina Karpowicz

Mary and Joseph: Journey towards the manger

Mary and Joseph are continuing their journey around the Church. How is your Advent journey going? We will be lighting the third Advent candle this weekend.

Justice and Peace

The plight of the UK's working poor has been revealed in a report which shows that one in every eight workers is living in poverty. A study by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation said that a record high of 55% of people in poverty are in working households, showing a "growing insecurity underneath positive economic headlines". The report found that that 21% of the population are living in poverty - doubling the UK's poor in a decade.

Cleaner required ASAP – Newstead Road Site

St Winifred's Primary School is looking to appoint a cleaner to work 10 hours each week at the Junior site.

These hours will be from 3.30pm to 5.30pm each day, Monday to Friday at an hourly rate of £9.34.

Please ring the school office (0208 857 8792) if you are interested.

The closing date is Monday 19th December at 3pm.

St Winifred's is committed to safeguarding and an enhanced DBS clearance is required for this role.

Altar server training

There will be an extra training session today Sunday December 11th at 5pm for all those new white cord servers currently on the training programme. Please make every effort to attend or let Tony know in advance if you cannot be there.

Extraordinary Ministers and Readers

The rota for the Christmas masses is on the Noticeboard. Some volunteers are still needed so kindly add your name to the rota if you can help. Please let Mark and Kate know your availability for the next rota (4th February to 9th April) by 16th January. markhopper@gmail.com or 07598969205

RCIA—Our Journey in Faith

Please do keep all those attending RCIA in your prayers. Also remember that the class is open to anyone who wishes to learn more about the Catholic faith.

Second Collection next weekend for our Christmas Flowers and Decorations.

Information

Fr Emeka will be on holidays in January. If you would need his assistance in January, kindly meet him this month for proper arrangements.

Cathedral Carol Service: 7.30pm Thursday 15th December.

"You are warmly invited to the annual Cathedral Carol Concert, this Thursday, 15th December, 7.30pm at St George's Cathedral, Southwark. A Service of Lessons and Carols in the mother church of the Diocese. All are most welcome."

Advent Penitential Service

St Saviour's, Lewisham: Saturday 17 December at 11.30 am.
Our Lady of Lourdes, Lee: Monday 19 December at 7.30 pm

**Invitation - Coffee is served in the parish hall after 9am Sunday Mass.
Please come and join us for coffee and a chat.**

PARISH DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

December

Wednesday 21st	7.30pm	Baptism Preparation (one Godparent who is a practising Catholic to attend).
Saturday 31st	11.00am	Parish Walk

ALL UNIFORM SECTIONS

Meeting Times

Tuesday Evenings during term time

Beavers (6yrs-8yrs)	Upper Room	6.00pm-7.30pm
Cub Scouts (8yrs-101/2yrs)	Parish Hall	6.00pm-7.30pm
Scouts (101/2yrs -141/2yrs)	Parish Hall	7.45pm-9.15pm
Explorer Scouts (141/2yrs-18yrs)	Upper Room	7.45pm-9.15pm
(meet fortnightly)		
Brownies (7yrs-10yrs)	Parish Hall	6.00pm-7.30pm
Guides (10yrs-14yrs)	Parish Hall	7.45pm-9.30pm
Senior Section (Rangers) (14yrs-26yrs)	Upper Room	7.45pm-9.30pm
(meet fortnightly)	Upper Room	