

# Our Lady of Lourdes Church

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Parish Newsletter for  
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**EIGHTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A**

## Response to the Psalm:

*In God alone is my soul at rest.*

## Mystery of Faith:

*We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection 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, Mary Moll  
*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:***

Samey Douglas Harryman, Mary Spencer, Catherine Lee, Christine Leggett, Lewis Philip Anthony Kench, Mary Amelia Sansom, Marie Gocking, Richard George Scully, Samuel Morrison, Matthew Brennan, Thomas Breen  
*May these, and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in the peace and joy of Christ.*

### Website news!!

Our Parish website is now live. The address is olol-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.

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	25th	9.00am		Priest's intention
		6.30pm	First Mass of Sunday	Deceased: Wright & Fitzpatrick families
Sunday	26th	9.00am	Eighth Sunday in	T/g for God's blessings
		11.00am	Ordinary Time Year A	Quintus Corea RIP
Monday	27th	9.30am		Maria Doss RIP
Tuesday	28th	7.30pm		Lillie Maher RIP
Wednesday	1st	9.30am	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	Sick & suffering people
		7.30pm	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	People of the parish
Thursday	2nd	9.30am		Joe Catherine O'Sullivan
Friday	3rd	9.30am		Kiernan family intentions
Saturday	4th	9.00am		Priest's intention
		6.30pm	First Mass of Sunday	W/f: Gillian MarcAntonio
Sunday	5th	9.00am	First Sunday of Lent	Sheila Griffin RIP
		11.00am	Year A	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 Wednesday 8th March.

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

### **ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEKEND**

Sunday Coffee: Volunteers  
Collection Counters: As scheduled

### **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

Genesis 2:7-9,3:1-7; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11

**Second Collection** this weekend for Poor Parishes Fund

## THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

### 200 Club Winners

22/01/2017 £25 No.67 Marc & Cathy Francois

### CLERGY SUPPORT FUND CAMPAIGN

The Campaign Team would like to thank all parishioners who attended a presentation a few months ago about the needs of our sick and retired clergy in Southwark Diocese. We would like to report that gifts and pledges from 22 donors from our Parish were received at the Campaign office. Thank you to these parishioners for their kind generosity. We are aiming to increase the number of donors still further in order to help the Diocese ensure that our priests, who have served us so well, receive the care they need in retirement. The Parish Team will be speaking at all Masses this weekend and for those who wish to learn more about the Campaign, a short film featuring local retired priests will be shown in the church after every Mass.

If you would like to make a donation to the Campaign in the meantime, you can now do so online at:

<http://www.southwarkclergysupportfundcampaign.org>

Please navigate your way to the BT MyDonate button on the left hand side of the homepage. You will be offered the option of making a one-off donation or regular gift at intervals and amounts of your choosing. Alternatively traditional giving forms can be downloaded from the Donate page.

### RCIA - Our Journey in Faith

Meeting every Wednesday in the Presbytery at 7.30pm. 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.

### Lent 2017– Soup Lunches after 11.00am Masses

We encourage all those involved in Parish activity to think about whether they could lead on one of the lunches and particularly appeal to Sacramental programme participants, catechists, and prayer groups. Alternatively, sometimes individual families take the lead for one week. If you are able to help, please sign up on the list at the back of the church.

### Lent 2017 – Stations of the Cross

To help our preparation for Easter we will have Stations of the Cross each Sunday during Lent at 5 p.m. We would like this to be led by a different group each week. Please sign up

on the list at the back of the church.

### Justice and Peace news

The Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) works around the world to accompany, serve and advocate on behalf of refugees and those who are forcibly displaced. In the UK, JRS has a special ministry to work with those in immigration detention and those left destitute by the asylum process, who are amongst the most vulnerable in our society. They provide a mix of practical, emotional and spiritual support and aim to restore refugees' sense of dignity and value, sustain their sense of hope and enable them to seek justice. Working collaboratively with other organisations and with refugees themselves, they aim to promote values of hospitality, solidarity and compassion for refugees, encouraging a greater understanding of their situation.

We will be supporting the work of the JRS during Lent by collecting toiletries. Our first collection will be the weekend of 4th / 5th March and we will be collecting shampoo. If possible can you give something up in the first week of Lent and use the money you save to buy some shampoo? Children can you have a go as well?? Any brand will do!! Look out for the collection box at the back of the church.

### All Catechists and Altar Servers over 18

All catechists and altar servers over 18 who have not been DBS checked will need to be checked asap. The first stage in getting a DBS check is to complete a volunteer application form which is available at the back of the church or by email (available from markhopper@gmail.com.) These should be returned to the Presbytery addressed to the Safeguarding Representatives (Mark or Justine Justinetunstall@hotmail.com), if you are not sure if you currently have a DBS check (or CRB check as it used to be known) or if you have any questions. Unfortunately DBS checks from other organisations are not valid.

**Palm Branches** Kindly return your palm branches from last year's Palm Sunday for Ash Wednesday celebration.

**Walk with Me**, a Lenten Journey of Prayer for 2017. Copies are available at the back of the church for £1 only.

**Invitation—Coffee is served in the parish hall after 9.00am Sunday Mass.  
Please come and join us for coffee and a chat.**

## 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)	Upper Room	7.45pm-9.30pm
(14yrs-26yrs)	Upper Room	
meet fortnightly		

## PARISH DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### March

Saturday 18th 11.00am Parish walk. Meet in the church car park.

### April

Tuesday 4th 8.00pm Justice & Peace meeting.

Wednesday 12th 7.30pm

Wednesday 26th 7.30pm Baptism Preparation  
Baptism Preparation (one Godparent who is a practising Catholic to attend).