

Our Lady of Lourdes Church

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Parish Newsletter for Sunday
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**THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME YEAR A**

Response to the Psalm:

I love you, Lord, my strength.

Mystery of Faith:

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

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

We remember especially:
Ellen Altringham, Emilia Cassie, Katherine Cunningham, 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, Sylvester Chege
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:

Ronnie Harle, Kathleen Duggan, George Alexander Pouller, Florence Reilly, Patrick McCarthy, Derek Earkk, Stella O'Reilly, Edward Kiernan, Harry Philip Gerald Dovroff, Norah (Pauline) Collins, Indar Surendranath Maharaj
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	28th	9.00am 6.30pm	First Mass of Sunday	Priest's intention Mary Moll RIP
Sunday	29th	9.00am 11.00am	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time A	People of the parish Ronnie Harle RIP
Monday	30th	9.30am		Jean Eley RIP
Tuesday	31st	7.00pm	First Mass: All Saints	W/f: Godfrey Salmon
Wednesday	1st	9.30am	All Saints (Holy day of obligation)	All parish volunteers
Thursday	2nd	9.30am	The Commemoration of the faithful departed (All Souls)	Eddie Kiernan RIP
	2nd	7.30pm		All Souls
Friday	3rd	9.30am		Members of Serviam
Saturday	4th	9.00am 6.30pm	St Charles Borromeo First Mass of Sunday	Priest's intention Eddie Kiernan RIP
Sunday	5th	9.00am 11.00am	Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time A	Ananderani RIP People of the parish

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

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

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

ROTAS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Sunday Coffee: Volunteers
Collection Counters: Fabian
Flowers: Judy

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

Malachi 1:14-2:2,8-10; 1 Thessalonians 2:7-9,13; Matthew 23:1-12

PARISH NEWS *(Please see notice board for full details)*

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

200 Draw 2017/18: Thank you to everyone for signing up to the 200 Draw for 2017/18. We will be drawing the first winners soon, but still need to allocate 20 numbers to reach our target of 200. If you would like to support this fundraiser for the parish, please complete and return your form and money as soon as possible – spare forms are available at the back of the church.

RCIA— Our Journey in Faith: Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or do you know someone who is? Were you baptised a Catholic but have not been confirmed? Please collect Initial Enquiry Form from Father Emeka.

Readers and Extraordinary Ministers: Could you please let Mark know your availability for the Christmas services by November 26th (markhopper@gmail.com or 07598969205). We were particularly short of readers last year so please make yourself available if at all possible. It is not appropriate to be an EM and a reader in the same mass in normal circumstances so let him know which role you would prefer if you 'wear both hats'.

Christmas Fayre – How can you help? Our Christmas Fayre is on Saturday 25th November from 12 – 3 p.m. in the Junior school. We are appealing for your support and here are some of the ways you can help:

- Can you help run a stall? A sign-up sheet is available at the back of the church.
- Could you give some time to help with setting up or clearing away? Please sign up on the list at the back of the church.
- Donations: We are appealing for donations of unwanted gifts -toiletries, cosmetics etc. (4/5 November), bottles (11/12 November), or good quality second hand books and toys (18/19 November).
- Can you make something for our cake stall?
- Lucky Squares: As we have done in recent years, we have a 1000 squares board instead of a Grand Draw to support our Christmas Fayre. These will be available to purchase from next week.
- Publicise the event – can you put up a poster?
- Most importantly – keep the date free and come along with your friends and family

Show You Care this Autumn Many of you support fair trade as part of the weekly grocery shopping, now that fair trade products are more widely available in supermarkets. This Autumn we want to encourage you to buy from Traidcraft because what they do is so much more than fair trade. Traidcraft lobbies on behalf of the world's most under-privileged people and runs many life changing development projects in the world's poorest countries benefitting 600,000 people each year – lifting them out of poverty and helping them build sustainable livelihoods.

Some of you may purchase on-line direct from Traidcraft but we do encourage you to buy through Our Lady of Lourdes account because, whilst you pay the same amount, we receive a 10% discount and the difference helps to fund other parish activity such as financial support for our twin parishes. The new catalogue is now available with lots of gift ideas in addition to all the things you will need for Christmas baking.

Come and browse through the catalogue or purchase from our selection of gifts and groceries. We would also encourage you all to send charity cards this year, and both Traidcraft and Rehema cards and gifts will be on sale in the hall after all Masses next weekend.

November Deceased List envelopes are at the back of the church. Please take and return by 1 November.

Uniform Sections Church Parade at 11am Mass

Remembrance Sunday 12th November for all Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers, Brownies, Guides & Senior Section. Please wear full smart uniform and a poppy. Meet in the church by 10.45am at the latest for the 11am mass.

PARISH DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

November

Thursday 2 nd		SVP meeting
Saturday 11 th	11.00am	Church garden tidy-up
Saturday 25 th		Christmas Fayre

December

Wednesday 6 th	7.30pm	1 st Baptism Preparation
Wednesday 20 th	7.30pm	2 nd Baptism Preparation (one Godparent who is a practising Catholic to attend.)

ALL UNIFORM SECTIONS.

Meeting Times

Tuesday Evenings during term time

Beavers (6yrs-8yrs)	Upper Room	6.00pm-7.30pm
Cub Scouts	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)		

Friday Evenings during term time

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
Upper Room meet fortnightly		