

Our Lady of Lourdes Church

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Parish Newsletter for Sunday
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**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
YEAR B**

Response to the Psalm:

Lord of hosts, bring us back, let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

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, Emilia Cassie, 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:

Cyril Hart, Doreen Peek, Mary Gearing, Doris Hurley, Adelane Elizabeth Doran, Rose McCallum, Thomas Tombot *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	2nd	9.00am 6.30pm	First Mass of Sunday	Chloe Edwards RIP Eddie Kiernan RIP
Sunday	3rd	9.00am 11.00am	First Sunday of Advent Year B	Stella Hopper RIP People of the parish
Monday	4th	9.30am		Louise Ryan RIP
Tuesday	5th	7.30pm		Denis McSweeney RIP
Wednesday	6th	9.30am		Joan & William Redgrave & families
Thursday	7th	9.30am	St Ambrose	Joseph Castelino RIP
Friday	8th	9.30am	The Immaculate Conception - BVM	Intentions: Kiernan family
Saturday	9th	9.00am 6.30pm	First Mass of Sunday	Priest's intention Marie Francis RIP
Sunday	10th	9.00am 11.00am	Second Sunday of Advent Year B	Ben Rose RIP Billy Bolton RIP

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: Jim

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

Isaiah 40:1-5,0-11; 2 Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8

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

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

200 Club Winners

26.11.2017 £25 No.117 Marian Mitchell

A Celebration of Carols and Christmas Music will be led by our Chorus on Saturday 9th December at 7-45pm, here in the church. The concert will be a mix of the traditional and some not so familiar pieces but with the opportunity for everyone to join in with the singing during some of the carols. Please do come along and bring your friends and family to really celebrate the season of Advent in this way. Admission is free but a retiring collection will be taken for Christmas charities.

Beer and Carols: The Chorus has been invited along this year for the first time to lead community Carols at The Crown pub in Burnt Ash Hill at 7-30 on Monday 11th December. We have also been asked again this year to the Lord Northbrook on Tuesday 19th December at 8pm. It would be great to see lots of our parish family supporting these community events.

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. Programme for the next three weeks is::

7th December 2017 – The Holy Spirit

14th December 2017 – The Church

21st December 2017 – The God-Man and His Mother

Missio Red Box Holders: Missio Red Box promoters will begin the half yearly collection soon. If you miss them, or if it is more convenient, you may bring the contents of your box, in the envelope provided, to any Mass on the weekends of 2/3 December and 9/10 December. Thank you so much for your continuing support for the work of Missio.

Readers' Day: Our Lady of Lourdes will be hosting the Annual Readers' Day on 27th January 2018. We will start by joining the Parish for mass at 9.30 (Please note, mass will not be at the usual time of 9.00 on that Saturday but half an hour later.) It is hoped that all our readers will attend and anyone interested in reading at mass is also welcome. There is a sign up sheet at the back of the Church.

Christmas Fayre: We raised £4450.40. Thank you.

Confirmation 2018: The dates for the Confirmation Program are as follows:

Parents' and Candidates Meeting Thursday 26th April at 7.30 pm.

Thursday lessons at 7.15pm 10th, 17th, 24th May, 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th June and 5th July.

Masses on 12th or 13th May and 16th or 17th June.

Day at St Andrew's Convent Saturday 19th May.

Confirmation Mass 8th July at 11 am. It is hoped that the candidates will be able to make all of these dates. A reminder of these dates will be sent nearer the time.

Catholic Schools: Do you support Catholic schools and the right of Catholics to send their children to them? Then we need you to make your voice heard. The Government is making a critical decision on whether to overturn the admissions cap which prevents Catholic schools from allowing all catholic pupils to attend. They have acknowledged that this policy discriminates against Catholics and promised to abandon it, now we need you to tell them not to u-turn on their promise to Catholics. Visit <http://catholicnews.org.uk/> or search for 'Catholic Education' in your search engine to write to the Government and urge them to drop their policy which bans new Catholic schools.

Safeguarding Representative Liz Le Comber is now one of our Safeguarding Representatives.

PARISH DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

December

Wednesday 6 th	7.30pm	1 st Baptism Preparation
Saturday 9 th	7.45pm	Chorus Christmas Performance
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 (10½yrs -14½yrs)	Parish Hall	7.45pm-9.15pm
Explorer Scouts (14½yrs-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
(meet fortnightly)	Upper Room	