

Our Lady of Lourdes Church

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Parish Newsletter for Sunday
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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

Response to the Psalm:

o Lord, you are good and forgiving.

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, Felicity Goddard, Veronica Hurtswaite, Dominic Nutt, Rowena A, Pat Sullivan, Donald Terry, Josephine Terry, Shaun Wilkinson, Doreen Wood, Margaret Maloney, Merlyn Lee, Jackie McNamara, Margaret Mizen, Richard Cox, Kathleen Dillon, Josiane Guest, Phil McNamara, Patricia Holland, Louisa Brown
May the Lord bring them comfort and healing and bring strength to those who care for them.

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	18 th	6.00pm	First Mass of Sunday	Jim Tarrent RIP
Sunday	19 th	10.00am	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A	People of this parish
Monday	20 th	10.00am		Gean Tarrent RIP
Tuesday	21 st	10.00am		Colette McDonnell RIP
Wednesday	22 nd	7.00pm	St Mary Magdalene	Enda & Bill Tracey RIP
Thursday	23 rd	10.00am	St Bridget	Covid-19 dead
Friday	24 th	10.00am		Priest & Religious
Saturday	25 th	6.00pm	St James First Mass of Sunday	People of this Parish
Sunday	26 th	10.00am	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A	End to Covid-19



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

Richard Snowin, Margaret Victoria Lock, Emily Roche, Anne Hurley, Magdalena Keay
May these and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in the peace and joy of Christ.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

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 12 noon every month.

CHURCH CLEANING: 9.00am every Tuesday

FATHERS PRAYER GROUP: Every 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month at 8pm.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Every Sunday, during term time, at 9.00am Mass

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

Kings 3:5, 7-12; Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 13:44-52

Offertory Collection:

Thank you.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

200 Club Winner

12/07/2020 £25 No. 49 Val Sandy

Reopening our church for Holy Mass

Following the relaxing of guidelines by the Government and with clarification from the Bishop's Conference we now celebrate Mass at 7pm on Wednesdays, 6pm on Saturdays and 10am on Sundays. It was a great joy to see parishioners in the church again joining in with the celebration of the Eucharist last weekend and there was some room for a few more before we reached the limit of 52 people at the Saturday evening 6pm and Sunday morning 10am services. There was also plenty of space for additional parishioners at the 7pm Mass on Wednesday evening so perhaps put that in your diary for next week. Mass will be at these same times each week now for the time being.

Detailed guidelines for those attending Mass is on the parish website and displayed on the notice board outside church. The increased opening times of the church for Mass and the greater stewarding and cleaning requirements will need more volunteers than have previously registered. Please do consider if you are able to help at or around the proposed Mass times every couple of weeks or so and let Father Emeka know on lee@rcaos.org.uk in the next few days.

In the Bishop's guidance we are reminded that the Sunday obligation on Catholics to celebrate Mass in church remains suspended during the virus restrictions. This will remain the position even during this initial phase of celebrating Mass in our churches for small groups. The Bishops do recommend that churches continue to stream services for those unable to attend Mass in person.

Justice and Peace News

Food Bank

Although we are not currently collecting for the Lewisham Food bank, you can donate online via their website <https://lewisham.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/or>: by text to 70085. If you text the message lewishamfood5 it will cost you £5 plus your standard rate. You can do this for any whole amount up to £20

Sunday Offering

If you would like to give your Sunday offering kindly put it in an envelope and drop it through the Presbytery letter box or make a transfer to Our Lady of Lourdes account: 34273786 Sort code 602327. Thank you.

Prayer for the Year of the Word: The God who Speaks

All: Living God, you walk alongside us and speak to us throughout the Scriptures. Your Son, Jesus Christ, listens to our hopes and fears and shows us how to live for one another. Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds so that we may be your witnesses throughout the world.

Amen

Priest: *Your word is our path and your truth our light.*

All: **This day and every day**
