

# Our Lady of Lourdes Church

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Parish Newsletter for Sunday  
20<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020  
TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME -  
YEAR A

## Response to the Psalm:

*The Lord is close to all who call him.*

## 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, 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, Phil McNamara, Patricia Holland, Louisa Brown, Teresa De Acosta

*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 anniversaries fall about this time:***

Louis Dugger, Peggy Lawrence, Hilda Lilian McGrath, Cidalia Leo Cardis, Andrew O'Dwyer, Agnes Simpson, Arthur Williams, Dominic Boguzas, Jennie Downes, Rose Chesworth, Mary Tibbit  
*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 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday Masses are Private

Saturday	19 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	First Mass of Sunday	Peter Thang RIP
Sunday	20 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A	Eileen Hooban RIP
Monday	21 <sup>st</sup>	10.00am	St Matthew	Lyndsey Corette RIP
Tuesday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	10.00am		
Wednesday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	7.00pm	St Pius of Pietrelcina	Welfare of Matthew Sothinathan
Thursday	24 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Our Lady of Walsingham	Welfare: Medics
Friday	25 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am		Intentions: Joan & William Redgrave
Saturday	26 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	First Mass of Sunday	Wendy Farrelly RIP
Sunday	27 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A	Margaret Redgrave RIP

## 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 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 8pm.

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

## NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

Ezekiel 18:25-28; Philippians 2:1-11; Matthew 21:28-32

## Offertory Collection:

Thank you.

**THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH**

**200 Club Winner**

13/09/2020 £25 No. 39 Marian Paul

**Holy Mass Attendance**

Sunday 10am Mass was once again very well attended but we are now around our absolute limit. Ordinarily we have room to accommodate quite a few more people at the 6pm at Saturday evening mass. Fewer than half of the total available spaces will be used for the RCIA group and families so please do still come along if you have been attending that mass as we should hopefully have enough capacity. Space is still plentiful for many more parishioners at the Wednesday evening 7pm celebration of the Eucharist which is less than a third full so please do make use of the midweek opportunity.

We will be reviewing the times and number of masses soon with changing demand.

**Remember that the wearing of a face mask is now mandatory in places of worship.**

Of course, we continue to extend thanks to all the volunteers making the celebration of the Eucharist possible. Do remember that we can never have too many volunteers and so if you have some time to spare please let us know and we can include you in the rota. The greater the number of volunteers, the less frequently you will be asked to serve!!

**RCIA – A very special Celebration Mass this week.**

As we mentioned last week, 5 of our 6 new brothers and sisters from last year's RCIA programme will be Baptised, Confirmed and receive their first Holy Communion at our parish mass on Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> September at 6pm. And to remind you, this will mean that Mass will be a bit longer than usual but still be subject to the governance guidelines currently in place for no singing, wearing masks and keeping social distancing.

Even though it will not be possible for the whole parish to be with them in person on Saturday, please do pray for them this week and beyond. They are:

Oladunni Oluwakemi Dada

Olanike Olaoluwa Dada

Zubie Patel

Elisabeth Sunday Aifuwa

Jean-Paul Tetty

Bihermann Tie – who will not be with us on 19<sup>th</sup> September as he is travelling back from Africa that day but will be brought into full communion at another mass very soon

We also take this opportunity to thank the parish catechists who have journeyed with this group since last November – face to face and on video – and to the Godparents from the parish or those standing as proxy where people have not been able to travel from overseas to be here.

**Bible Study**

Due to popular demand, the online Bible Study will be moving to fortnightly on a Saturday afternoon at 3pm. The next meetings will be on 26<sup>th</sup> September and 10<sup>th</sup> October then every two weeks after that.

Please give it a try, you can attend as (in)frequently as you like. Expect lively discussion on the Sunday Mass readings. Simply email [markhopper@gmail.com](mailto:markhopper@gmail.com) with 'bible study' in the subject line.

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**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**