

# Our Lady of Lourdes Church

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Parish Newsletter for Sunday  
15<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2020  
THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY  
ORDINARY TIME -  
YEAR A

## Response to the Psalm:

*O blessed are those who fear the Lord.*

## 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, 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  
*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:**

*Catherine Busby, Daniel John Brown, Elizabeth Mary Everson, Madeline Stankowska, Violet Reeves, Frank Blanchard, Thomas George Baker, Horace Dodsworth, Cecilia Toole, Monica Kenevane, Brian Robinson*  
*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.*

Masses are private

## THIS WEEK – MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Saturday	14 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am		Deceased: Sheridan family
Sunday	15 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Thirty Third Sunday Ordinary Time – Year A	Deceased: Bick & Schwab families
Monday	16 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am		Jean Gosling & Victor Hyland RIP
Tuesday	17 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am		Debbie Edwards RIP
Wednesday	18 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am		Tom Conway RIP
Thursday	19 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am		Orphaned children
Friday	20 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am		Richard, Nora, Peter Egan & family
Saturday	21 <sup>st</sup>	10.00am	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Deceased: Hopper family members
Sunday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	11.00am	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe – Year A	Tom Conway RIP

## **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

Saturday 9.30-10.15am and 5.45–6.15pm

## **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:**

1/2 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 34:11-12, 15-17; Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46

**200 Club Winner**

08/11/2020 £25 No. 128 Jillie Smithies

**Church Opening and Mass**

With the new restrictions from the government to contain the virus spread, churches are no longer allowed to open for collective worship. For that reason **our three weekly public Masses have sadly had to stop although we are allowed to open the church for private prayer.** Initially we will open the church for one hour on Sunday mornings between 10am and 11am for private prayer and the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed during this time. This time of prayer will be subject to the same regulations around face masks, sanitising, track and trace etc.

To come for private prayer does not mean you must stay for the whole hour or indeed arrive at 10am; it is more of a drop-in time for 5-10 minutes. However, **please pay very careful attention to the stewards' instructions as you arrive regarding seating procedures** on entry and exit which may be slightly different to those in use during Mass. These arrangements are of course part of the effort to minimise the risk of infection and so very important. Mass will continue to be celebrated each day in private in the church.

**Fill Our Boots:**

The Justice and Peace Group along with Lewisham Food Bank would like to thank most sincerely all of you who were able to drop in last Saturday to "Fill Our Boots". Indeed, the cars' boots were absolutely full with donations from parishioners and members of the wider community here in Lee.

**CAFOD Family Fast Day**

This year we remembered CAFOD's Family Fast Day on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November. Please remember that Covid 19 is a global challenge and so the work of CAFOD overseas is more important than ever in supporting struggling communities. Since it will not be possible to take up your donations at Mass, please place your offering in an envelope and drop through the door of the parish house clearly marked as CAFOD. Alternatively, you can make a donation by bank transfer using CAFOD as the reference to: Our Lady of Lourdes account: 34273786 Sort code 602327.

**Holy Souls Month**

November is the month when as Catholics we remember especially our loved ones who have departed this life for eternity in Heaven. The month starts with the feast of the All Saints and traditionally we compile a list of those for whom we wish prayers to be offered as a parish community. If you would like names of loved ones included in the list of the dead, please write their names on a piece of paper and enclose it in an envelope with your offering and post through the Presbytery letterbox next to the church.

**SVP - Up Date**

A very big thank you to everyone in our community who took part in the Zoom / (virtual) SVP Quiz night on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October. The total amount raised including all generous donations was £1,015 which will be enhanced by Gift Aid on most of the donations. The SVP team has now 14 members. We are continuing to offer regular support to the elderly and isolated in the Parish; particularly weekly walks, telephoning, befriending and gardening. Our team is also taking people to their Hospital /GP appointments and delivering this Parish News to 18 parishioners not connected to the internet whilst at the same time checking on their well-being under this second lockdown. We are planning to use some of our funds to support the "Fill Our Boots" campaign organised by the Justice and Peace group in the Parish. Further afield, we will continue to sponsor educational programmes for young people in India and Sudan. New members are always welcome to join our group so feel free to call us on our dedicated SVP number here in Lee 07311 625 332 for more information.

**Streamed Masses**

Many churches are streaming their daily masses with varying degrees of success and we have looked into this on a couple of occasions. To establish a professional quality streaming service as used by many churches in the diocese is simply too expensive at this time when our income has fallen but expenses continue. We have asked on several occasions previously whether we have any parishioner with the technical knowledge and equipment which could be loaned who would be able to set up a streaming service for the parish but sadly have not been successful. However, with many new subscribers in recent weeks, we ask again whether a parishioner themselves have the necessary skills or have a friend, family or know a small company who may be able to help us out. This would need to incorporate the camera, encoder or laptop, sound synchronisation and most importantly wifi boost from the parish house. Please get in touch with us on [lee@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:lee@rcaos.org.uk)

**Pray For**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mrs Mavis Brewer RIP who died recently. Many of you may remember Mavis who was a long time parishioner before she moved away from Lee some little while ago. Please also remember her family in your prayers.