

Our Lady of Lourdes Church

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Parish Newsletter for Sunday
29th NOVEMBER 2020
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT –
YEAR B

Response to the Psalm:

*God 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, 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:

Michael Sullivan, Simone Perindorce, Rita Sheridan, Edith Frances Ings, Joseph Smithson, Patrick Buckley, Caroline Collins, Germaine Dugger, Patrick Budkley, Caroline Collins, Germaine Dugger, Betty McCarthy, Des Donnelly, Chloe Edwards, Cyril Hart
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 except on 5th and 6th.

THIS WEEK – MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Day	Date	Time	Intention	Notes
Saturday	28 th	10.00am		Intentions: friends & family of the late Joan McGill RIP
Sunday	29 th	11.00am	First Sunday of Advent - Year B	People of this Parish
Monday	30 th	10.00am	St Andrew	Wellbeing: Therese & Joe Bishop
Tuesday	1 st	10.00am		Chloe Edwards RIP
Wednesday	2 nd	10.00am		Edward Kiernan RIP
Thursday	3 rd	10.00am	St Francis Xavier	Derek Ryan RIP
Friday	4 th	10.00am		Intentions: Joan & William Redgrave
Saturday	5 th	6.00pm		Stella Hopper RIP
Sunday	6 th	10.00am	Second Sunday of Advent – Year B	Julius Nnaji 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 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month at 8pm.

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

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11; Peter

200 Club Winner

22/11/2020 £25 No. 48 Denis Grey

Church Opening and Mass

The church is open this Sunday, 29th December for private prayer between 10am and 11am. Additionally, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed during this time and there is plenty of scope for many more of you to come along and pray awhile within current Covid regulations.

We give thanks that with the end of lock down on 2nd December the government has confirmed that churches will be allowed to open for public worship from Thursday 3rd December. The opening is of course subject to the regulations previously in place regarding cleaning, social distancing masks etc. Here at Our Lady of Lourdes we currently plan to recommence Mass on Saturday 5th December at 6pm, Sunday 6th December at 10am and Wednesday 9th December at 7pm. In next week's Parish News we shall provide more details of these Masses and any new arrangements along with initial plans for services over the Christmas period.

The reopening for public worship and especially for additional services over the Christmas period does place additional strain on our small band of cleaning and stewarding volunteers. We really do need more parishioners to step up and offer to help out with these services. If you have time please email Father Emeka on lee@rcaos.org.uk

Advent Preparation

Advent is the time set aside by the church for us to reflect on our life and our preparedness for the coming of Jesus on 25th December. Our Diocesan Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis has produced some very useful Advent resources. (Some of the links may ask if you believe the web site to be "safe" but rest assured they are.)

A Journey through Advent Daily Readings and Reflections

Follow this link for more information and to provide your details to receive each day an email with daily reflections featuring thoughts, Scripture and prayer.

<https://southwarkdsc.us11.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=a3e1dce7f8f666e9d64edd867&id=4f880b3b9c>

An Advent Journey

Fr Michael Winstanley, a Salesian of Don Bosco, at the invitation of Bishop Pat Lynch, leads us into the Gospel of Mark with a series of three short talks on You Tube. The link for the first talk is below and we shall publish the second and third talks in subsequent weeks.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zvc9f5mdZno&feature=emb_logo

This second link will take you to a pdf outline to help follow and reflect on the talk.

https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5f5244051781f63ad86c97aa/t/5fb7eef58cd716641cc02b79/1605889782637/20Advent_Retreat_1Jesus.pdf

The Advent Wreath

We are all familiar with an Advent Wreath and the resource at the link below explains the significance of the wreath. This is useful not just for the adults but also to help explain to our children why we light a candle each week. If you are unable to get to church during Advent perhaps you could make an Advent wreath at home and there are prayers within the resource link to say each Sunday as you light your home wreath.

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