Our Lady of Lourdes Church

Parish Newsletter for Sunday
6th DECEMBER 2020
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YEAR B

Response to the Psalm:
Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

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 Hurstwaite, Dominic Nutt, Roweena 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.

Mystery of Faith:
When we eat this Bread and Drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

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 on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday are Private

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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:
Isaiah 61:1-2, 10-11; Thessalonians 5:16-24; John 1:6-8, 19-28
200 Club Winner
29/11/2020 £25 No. 60 Edith Nalletamby

Church Opening and Mass
This weekend the church will be open for the celebration of Mass on Saturday evening at 6pm and Sunday morning at 10am. The 10am service is very popular and as we are limited by regulations on how many people can attend some parishioners may be turned away. It is suggested you consider Saturday evening Mass as an alternative or Wednesday evening at 7pm.

We are also planning to hold a number of Christmas services and possibly introduce additional masses in the coming weeks. A Parish News Special Edition will be sent out towards the middle of next week with more details about these additional services.

However, for our Christmas services to take place and also to expand the number of weekend Masses we do need more people to volunteer to act as stewards and cleaners.

Fill Our Boots

Almost 700,000 people in the UK, including 120,000 children, are thought to have been driven into poverty as a result of the Covid economic crisis.
The Justice and Peace group will be making their next Foodbank collection on Saturday 12th December at 11.00am. Please come along to the church car park and fill our boots!
The Foodbank urgently needs UHT milk (not blue top), cereals, tinned vegetables and soup (not meat), tinned fish and fruit, pasta sauce, rice, tea bags, biscuits, toilet rolls, shower gel, sanitary towels.
Please bring only tinned and packeted goods and ensure that they are well in date. If you are able, you might also consider adding a little Christmas treat!

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/5f5244051781f63ad86ec97aa/v/5fb7eef58cd716641cc02b79/1605889782637/2020_Advent_Retreat_fJesus.pdf

Bishop Pat’s Retirement
Whilst it is sad news that Bishop Pat will be moving into retirement we do give thanks for his service to us as a parish and wish him our prayers and blessings in this new phase of his Christian ministry.

Archbishop John wrote: Following Bishop Patrick Lynch’s submission of his resignation to our Holy Father, Pope Francis, we have received news from Rome that this has now been accepted, allowing Bishop Pat to retire. As he now steps back from the formal office of Auxiliary Bishop, we are delighted that he will be retiring in the Archdiocese where he has made his home and has so many friends.

Christmas Confessions: Every Saturday from 10.00am to 11.00am