



OUR LADY of LOURDES

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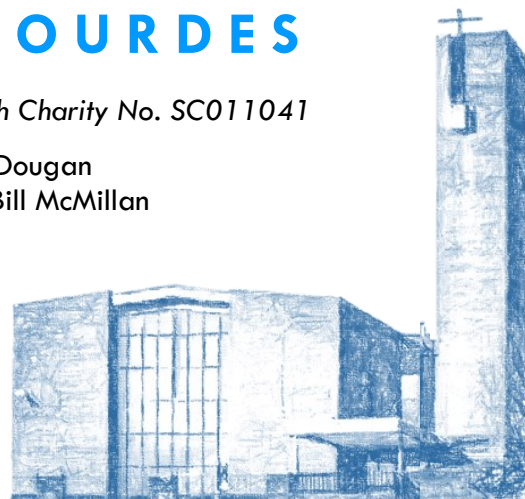


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Lent Week 1 / Year C

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Services this coming week (7-13 March)

Monday	10am	Devotions
	7pm	Stations of the Cross
Tuesday	9-9.30am	Exposition and Rosary
	10am	Weekday Mass
		Followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet & Litany of the Holy Face of Jesus
Wed	6.30pm	OLOL 1st Confessions
	8.15am	Weekday Mass
	9-9.30am	Exposition and Rosary
Thurs	10am	Weekday Mass
		Followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet & Litany of the Holy Face of Jesus
	7pm	St Louise 1st Confessions
Fri	10am	Feast of St John Ogilvie
	7pm	Feast of St John Ogilvie
	7am	Weekday Mass
Sat	9-9.30am	Exposition and Rosary
	10am	Weekday Mass
		Followed by Stations of the Cross & Divine Mercy
Sun	9-9.30am	Exposition and Rosary
	9.15-45	Confessions
	10am	Weekday Mass
	4.15-45	Confessions
	5pm	Vigil Mass for 2nd Sunday of Lent
	9am	Sunday Mass
	11am	Sunday Mass
	2pm	Autism Friendly Mass



Lent - 1st Sunday

This Week's Readings 1st Sunday of Lent

Deuteronomy 26:4-12
The creed of the Chosen People
Psalm 90 (91)
Be with me O Lord in my distress
Romans 10:8-13
The creed of the Christian
Luke 4:1-13
The temptation in the wilderness



Reflection on the Readings

We pray "Lead us not into temptation" every day, and just as well. There are so many things to tempt us and to pull us away from doing God's will. Once we have given in once, it is easier to succumb the next time. We have Jesus as our model, who, whilst the Son of God, is as fully human as each of us. He was tempted but did not sin. Let us pray to him to help us when we are tempted.



Next Week's Readings 2nd Sunday of Lent

Genesis 15:5-12,17-18
God enters into a Covenant with Abraham, the man of faith
Psalm 26 (27)
The Lord is my light and my help
Philippians 3:17-4:1
Our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes Christ to transfigure us
Luke 9:28-36
Jesus is transformed before them

Season of Lent

The season of Lent is a time of preparation for the great feasts of Easter. As Christ spent 40 days in the wilderness before he began to preach the Good News, so we are invited to spend this time putting aside things that are less important in order to focus on the essentials. So by **fasting** we give up on something that we may value but which is in fact not something we need; by **prayer** we turn our minds and hearts to God; and by **almsgiving** (acts of charity) we turn away from selfish interests to think of others.

Thursday - Feast of St John Ogilvie

He was born in 1580 at Drum, near Keith. Educated a Calvinist, he went to the Low Countries and was received into the Catholic Church. He became a Jesuit, was ordained a priest in 1613 and landed in Scotland that year. In Edinburgh and Glasgow, he reconciled many to the Catholic Faith, but was betrayed, imprisoned and tortured, and finally hanged in Glasgow in 1615.

CHURCH OPENING TIMES THIS WEEK

The church will be open on Monday to Saturday from 9.00am until 4.00pm or until after the Evening Service.

Small Faith Sharing Groups

These begin in the coming week and continue through Lent. Why not go along to see what it is all about?

Tuesdays 2.30pm in the Oratory

Wednesdays 11am in the Hall (Committee Room)

Lourdes Pilgrimage - Autumn 2022

I'd like to get moving on a possible pilgrimage to Lourdes either in September or October. We can't put a definite price on this until we have numbers, but the estimate for a week's pilgrimage, full-board with flights and transfers is just over £800.

It looks like we have enough interest to make it worth looking into in more detail so watch this space.

Stall - Appeal for Volunteers

The parish is still looking for volunteers (male or female) to help cover for the ladies who presently open the stall before and after the 3 weekend masses. It's not too late to leave your name.

Church Cleaning

The church is cleaned regularly after morning mass on Fridays. Additional helpers are required to assist the present small group of stalwarts.

Please speak to Geraldine Snape of Father Dougan if you wish to join the gang.

Cardinal Winning Pro-Life Initiative Mass

A Mass to celebrate the 25th anniversary of this will be celebrated in St Andrew's Cathedral, Glasgow, on Wednesday 9th March at 7.30pm. All welcome.

Mothers' Day Candles

Candles for Mothers (or any other person special to you) will be available on the weekend of 12/13 March with a suggested price of £1. You would then bring your candles to church on 27th March (Mothers' Day) and place them at Our Lady's Altar where they will be blessed at Mass, after which they can be taken away.

Foodbank

Our next collection for the local Foodbank is this weekend. Bags containing tinned items, pasta, cereal, shampoo, shower gel, toothpaste, toilet rolls will all be warmly received. In addition, any financial offering can be placed in the box at the back of the church and will be equally well received. As ever, thank you so much for your consideration in all of this.

Rosary for Peace in Ukraine

The parish SSVP intend to recite the Rosary every Tuesday evening during Lent for peace in Ukraine. We'll begin this Tuesday in the Oratory at 7pm all are welcome.

It's also hoped that weather permitting and with lighter evenings we may be able to use the Rosary garden for this.

Support for Ukraine

There will be a special collection for Ukraine next Sunday.

Also, please see the notice in the porch regarding the appeal for items being organized by Fr Rafal to be shipped to the east of Poland to help refugees.



Please remember in your prayers



Those who are sick

Heather Neilson, Emilia McMillan, Jenny McDade, Bridie Dugan. Mgr Tom O'Hare, Moira Reilly

Those who have died recently

Hugh Boland, Dean Ladds, Sadie McKinlay, Bob Hart, Ian Davidson, Jessie McIntyre, Billy McAlpine

The Months Minds, Anniversaries, and Birthday Remembrances of

Maureen McCourt, Kathy McKerracher, Gerard Hart, Jimmy McClure, Betty Quinn, Kevin Cleary

Lord, in our grief we turn to you. Are you not the God of love who opens your ears to all? Listen to our prayers for your servants, whom you have called out of this world: lead them to your kingdom of light and peace and count them among the saints in glory.

APPEAL FOR UNWANTED SEWING ITEMS

A thank you message has been received from the Refugee group in Garnethill.

All of the donated items were most gratefully received and there was *huge interest* in the sewing machines which were given to the more experienced needlewomen who can now pass on their skills. Again, thank you!

Anne Russell

COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS

Last Sunday's Offertory

£1523 + Standing Orders £800.00

Votive Candles	£109
Stall	£38

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Ignatian Online Lent Retreat

The online retreat is open to all and this year celebrates the 500 years since the conversion of St. Ignatius Loyola and is based on his life. Each day of Lent the retreat has an episode from the life of Ignatius, Music, Art, a reading from Scripture and a reflection. Participants can join an online group for a weekly meeting with others to share the fruits of their prayer.

Details can be found online at: <https://iscglasgow.co.uk/lent22.html>

Parking for Mass

I have been contacted by a local resident asking that I remind people to be careful not to block access to residents' driveways during Mass. I know that this is usually caused by strangers coming to funerals etc, but it is a good time to remind ourselves to be thoughtful to our neighbours when parking.