# **OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH**

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# THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A 21st and 22nd January 2023

Mon	<b>10:00</b> 12:00	<b>No devotions</b> Funeral of Rolando Fusi
Tue	10:00	Mass – St Francis De Sales
Wed	10:00	Mass – conversion of St Paul
Thu	10:00 18:15 - 18:45 19:00	Mass – St Timothy and St Titus  No Confessions  No Mass
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Fri	10:00	Mass

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A $$27^{\rm th}$$ and $28^{\rm th}$ January 2023

	17:00	Vigil Mass of Sunday
Sun	09:00 11:00	Sunday Mass Sunday Mass

#### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

ISAIAH 8:23-9:3

In Galilee of the nations the people has seen a great light.

PSALM 26(27):1,4,13-14

The Lord is my light and my help.

1 CORINTHIANS 1:10-13,17

Make up the differences between you instead of disagreeing among yourselves.

MATTHEW 4:12-23

He went and settled in Capernaum: in this way the prophecy of Isaiah was fulfilled.

#### **REFLECTION ON THE READINGS**

Matthew's account of Jesus' ministry begins today. Matthew recognises that Jesus' location, known in his time as Galilee, but to Isaiah as Zebulun and Naphtali, fulfils the old prophecy about a people in darkness seeing a great light. Jesus announces the Good News that the kingdom of heaven is at hand and calls everyone to repentance (literally, a change of mind), and calls his first disciples. An energetic beginning. How energetic is our response?

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

# RECENTLY DECEASED

Betty Bissett (funeral Thurs 9th Feb), Rolando Fusi (funeral Monday 23rd 12noon), Maureen Darby, Gemma Maria McCall, Alex Gibson, Mary O'Donnell, Mary Slavin, William McGregor

# ANNIVERSARIES, MONTH'S MINDS, BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCES

Margaret Burke, George O'Hagan, Willie John O'Hagan, Mary McWilliams, Teresa Woodside, Ann Little, Christina Samson, Frank McWilliams, Margaret Love, Agnes Kenny, John and Mary McKay and Family, Anthony Deary, Norman McDermott, Charlie and Ellen O'Kane, Geraldine Perry

### THE SICK

Margaret Gannon, Jan McKnight, Mary (May) McCann, Nora Houston, Terry Cassidy, Holly McConville.

#### **COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS - THANK YOU**

Weekly Collection	£1,776
Weekly Standing Orders	£880
Votive Candles	£192
Stall	£20
Flowers	£150
Day by Day	£700

#### **WEEKLY PRAYER GROUPS**

# NOVENA, ROSARY AND PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday before Mass at 09.25 and after Mass on a Saturday.

#### MOTHERS' PRAYER GROUP

Tuesday after Mass in the Oratory.

### PRO-LIFE PRAYER GROUP

Wednesday in the Oratory after Mass

# PRAYER FOR PRIESTS & VOCATIONS

Friday at 13:30 in the Church, Stations of the Cross and Divine Mercy Chaplet.

#### SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY ROSARY

First Tuesday of the month at 19:00 in the Oratory.

All Welcome

#### **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**

#### ZEPHANIAH 2:3,3:12-13

In your midst I will leave a humble and lowly people

#### PSALM 145(146):6-10

How happy are the poor in spirit: theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

#### 1 CORINTHIANS 1:26-31

God chose what is foolish by human reckoning, to shame the wise

### MATTHEW 5:1-12A

How happy are the poor in spirit

# **REGULAR EVENTS**

Tue	09:00	Knitting and Craft Group (Church Hall)		
	19:30	Bingo (Church Hall)		
Wed		Café after morning Mass (Church Hall)		
Thu	10:30	Mother and Toddler Group (Church Hall)		
	13:00	Friendship Group (Church Hall)		
	19:30	RCIA after Mass (Church House)		
All Welcome				

# **FORTHCOMING SERVICES, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES**

# **ENROLMENT MASSE FOR ST LOUISE**

This Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> January at 11:00. For children receiving the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion this year.

# **NEXT CHILDREN'S MASS**

Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> February at 11:00.

# **NEXT AUTISM FRIENDLY MASS**

Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> February at 14:00.

#### **FR DAMIEN GILHOOLEY**

Fr Gilhooley will be celebrating Mass here from Tuesday to Sunday. If you need something outwith Mass times, please leave a message on the house answering machine. Someone might not get back to you immediately so, please be patient.

Fr Gilhooley is taking part in a sponsored cycle to Lourdes for HCPT and will be grateful for any support.

#### **MASS AND SERVICE TIMES**

Please note the following:

- On Monday, there will be no devotions at 10:00.
- The funeral of Rolando Fusi will be at 12 noon on Monday.
- There will be no confessions or evening Mass on Thursday.

Things should be back to normal the following week.

# SOLEMNITIES AND HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION THIS YEAR

Ash Wednesday - 22<sup>nd</sup> February

Palm Sunday - 2<sup>nd</sup> April

Easter Sunday - 9th April

Ascension - Thursday 18th May

Pentecost - Sunday 28th May

Most Holy Trinity - Sunday 4th June

Body and Blood of Christ - Sunday 11th June

Saint Peter and St Paul - Thursday 29th June

The Assumption - Tuesday 15th August

All Saints - Wednesday 1st November

First Sunday of Advent - 3<sup>rd</sup> December