

# OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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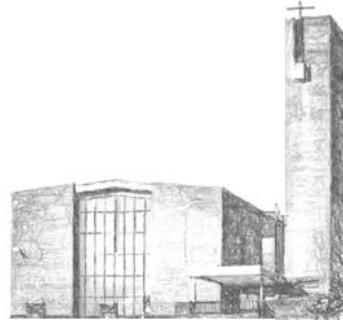
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**15<sup>th</sup> Feb 2026**

**SUNDAY MASS – 6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## SERVICES FOR 16<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2026

### Monday

09:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Funeral Mass of Winnie Healy

### Tuesday

09:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass

### Wednesday

09:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass

### Thursday

09:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass
18:15 – 18:45	Confessions
19:00	Mass

### Friday

09:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass

### Saturday

09:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass
15:15 – 15:45	Confessions
16:00	Vigil Mass

### Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

09:00	Mass
11:00	Mass

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

### READING 1      ECCL 15:15-20

He never commanded anyone to be godless.

### PSALM      PS 118:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 R. 1

They are happy who follow God's law!

### READING 2      1 COR 2:6-10

God predestined wisdom to be for our glory before the ages began.

### GOSPEL      MATT 5:17-37

You have learnt how it was said to your ancestors; but I say this to you.

## REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

It's easy to see God's Law only as a collection of "don'ts", but Jesus shows its real purpose over the next few weeks. He takes a selection of commandments, starting with "you shall not murder", and turns them into positive directives - not only must we not murder another, but we must also positively seek to enhance the dignity of every human being! Even calling someone a fool is a serious matter if doing so detracts from that person's dignity.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RIP Marie McKenna, Bill Keegan

ANNIVERSARIES Rena Blackburn, Thomas Love, Annie & Jimmy Kyle, Davidia Hamill, Frank McMahon, John McLaughlin, Thomas McLaughlin.

### FUNERAL

Sunday 4pm reception of Winnie Healy RIP

Monday 10am Funeral of Winnie Healy RIP

## COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS - THANK YOU

Offertory cash	£1,455
Envelopes	£285
Votives	£175
Stall	£85
Digital	£372

## **NOTICES, FUTURE EVENTS & SERVICES**

### **ST. PATRICK'S CELEBRATION**

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March, a St. Patrick's night celebration will take place in the Hall. There will be live Irish Music. As always, it will be a BYOB night. Tickets will be on sale after the 11am Mass this weekend and after all Masses next weekend. If interested, message John on 07525823292.

### **ADVANCE NOTICE**

Ash Wednesday takes place on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February. Ash Wednesday (and Good Friday) are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards. Mass on Ash Wednesday takes place at 7am, 10am and 7pm. Ashes will be distributed after each of the Masses.

### **THE KILT WALK**

Michael and Anne Goldie are setting up a team to take part in the Kilt Walk on Saturday 25th April starting at 9:30am. All money raised will go towards the church roof repair fund. If you're interested in joining them, contact Michael on 07824445912 for more details. Each participant will have to pay £20 to cover their costs.

### **THE LENTEN PROGRAMME**

Firstly, this will start from Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April and run like this until the schools break up. Monday and Friday: There will be an additional Mass at 8.30am Tuesdays: Stations of the Cross at 7pm (As in previous years, I ask the groups of the Parish to lead these please.) Friday: 6pm Quiet Hour of Prayer.

### **ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC**

Our five catechumens will join with other adults from across the Diocese to celebrate the Rite of Election with Bishop Toal in the Cathedral at 3pm next Sunday, the first Lenten Sunday. Lent is an intense time of prayer and preparation for them as they look to celebrating the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. We keep them in our prayers.

### **SCIAF PACKS**

The 'wee boxes' are to be collected from the porch. Please note, SCIAF is our own Catholic Charity and each of us ought to support it as best we can. Please do take a pack for your Lenten alms and return it to the Church for Holy Week.

### **THE PARISH FAITH SHARING GROUP**

Their first meeting of Lent is on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February at 6.30pm in the Oratory.

You are very welcome to join us on our journey to Easter.

### **THE FORTY HOURS:**

A huge vote of thanks to everyone who turned out for the Forty Hours. Also, thanks to the sacristans and the 'florists' who worked so hard. It was also wonderful to see the school children from St. Louise and Our Lady of Lourdes here at different times for a period of adoration. Please God, that will have been a time of grace for our parish.

### **WEDDINGS 2026**

If you are being married here in 2026 then please call in to the sacristy to ensure that the details of your wedding are accurately recorded in the parish diary.

### **DIOCESAN YOUTH CAMINO DE SANTIAGO PILGRIMAGE UPDATE**

After a successful Information Evening, we now invite applications and a £200 deposit to secure a place on the diocesan young adult (aged 18-30) pilgrimage to the last 100km of the Camino de Santiago in Spain, from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> – Monday 13th July 2026. The cost will be £1,000 including flights, transfers, daily bag transfers, meals and accommodation. Further info and forms are available from Fr Stephen Reilly at [frreilly@rcdom.org.uk](mailto:frreilly@rcdom.org.uk), or Alba Tours at [annemariecairns@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:annemariecairns@yahoo.co.uk). The form and deposit are due on 28<sup>th</sup> February.

### **TEACHERS AND APPROVAL**

I remind those wishing to teach in the Catholic sector that they require approval to do so. I am happy to assist those whom I know but I ask people who are not known to me not to embarrass me by asking for a reference,

### **FINANCE GROUP**

There will be an additional meeting of the finance group on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm

The agenda will be:

1. Fundraising for the building project.
2. Extra-ordinary Collections and external fundraising.

### **PRO LIFE RAFFLE**

There will be a raffle for a hamper on Sunday March 8<sup>th</sup>. The proceeds will go to SPUC.

### **DIGITAL SUNDAY OFFERING**

The following QR Code or link takes you to a secure web page that can be used for your Sunday Offering.



Please note that not only can you donate your weekly donation online, there is also provision to give a donation for any special collections.

<https://donate.mydona.com/our-lady-of-lourdes-church>

You can also register for Gift Aid or Gift Aid your offering. Only those who Gift Aid will have their details recorded. You can also include a short message.