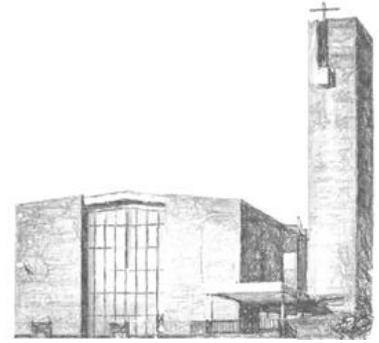


# OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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**1<sup>st</sup> March 2026**

**SUNDAY MASS – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent**

## SERVICES FOR 2<sup>nd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> March 2026

<b>Monday</b>	
08:25	Mass
09:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass
<b>Tuesday</b>	
09:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass
19:00	Stations of the Cross
<b>Wednesday</b>	
09:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass
<b>Thursday</b>	
09:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass
18:15 – 18:45	Confessions
19:00	Mass
<b>Friday</b>	
08:25	Mass
09:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass
18:00	Quiet Hour of Prayer
<b>Saturday</b>	
09:25	Litany & Holy Rosary
10:00	Mass
15:15 – 15:45	Confessions
16:00	Vigil Mass
<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>	
09:00	Mass
11:00	Mass

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

### READING 1 GEN 12:1-4

The call of Abraham, father of the People of God

### PSALM PS 32:4-5, 18-20. 22 R. 22

May your love be upon us, O Lord,  
 as we place all our hope in you.

### READING 2 2 TIM 1:8-10

God calls and enlightens us.

### GOSPEL MATT 17:1-9

His face shone like the sun.

## REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

Matthew tells that the disciples fall on their faces overcome with fear when they hear the voice of the Father. Only after the resurrection will their faith be perfected to the point that they can hold to both the majesty of God and his desire to save them by drawing them into his perfect love through Jesus.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RIP Irene McLafferty, Dan Chambers.

ANNIVERSARIES James Branagan, Jimmy Campbell, Thomas Dowds.

SICK Simon Loftus, Owen Farrell, Mary McNeill, Jim Main, Isabell Main, David Main, Paul Southworth

## COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS - THANK YOU

Offertory cash	£1,575
Envelopes	£305
Votives	£185
Stall	£30
Digital	£320

## NOTICES, FUTURE EVENTS & SERVICES

### THE AUTISM MASS

Takes place today at 2pm and is intended for neurodiverse children and adults.

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

### **LENTEN PROGRAMME**

Begins on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February and runs like this until the schools break up.

Monday: There will be an additional Mass at 8.25am

Tuesdays: Stations of the Cross at 7pm (As in previous years, I ask the groups of the Parish to lead these please.)

Thursday: Mass at 10am & 7pm

Friday: There will be an additional Mass at 8.25am and at 6pm a Quiet Hour of Prayer.

### **PARKING**

Following a complaint about pavement parking from a local resident, we received a visit from the police during the week. Although strictly speaking not a police matter, they advised that the local authority may deploy wardens in the area. We again request that you park with consideration for our neighbours.

### **JUSTICE AND PEACE ASYLUM SEEKER/REFUGEE INFORMATION EVENING.**

East Kilbride Integration Network (EKin) was formed in November 2023 to support the Asylum Seeker/Refugee Community in the East Kilbride /Strathaven Area and now serves the South Lanarkshire area as a whole.

On 11<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm, Kiem Doyle and Eddie Morrison from EKin will be offering an information evening on the work of their organisation and introduce a couple of Refugees who will offer testimonies of their experiences as former Asylum Seekers and now New Scots living in the East Kilbride area. This meeting has been arranged by the OLOL Justice and Peace group and our SVDP. All welcome.

### **SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS**

The box is in the porch for you to contribute to the Sick and Retired Priest Fund.

### **THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

The P7 pupils from St. Louise Primary School will be confirmed on Wednesday evening at St. Vincent's Church.

### **ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC**

Congratulations to our Catechumens who joined a group of 110 at the Cathedral last Sunday to celebrate the Rite of Election with Bishop Toal. We look forward to their celebrating the Easter Sacraments on Holy Saturday.

### **WEDDINGS 2026**

There are still some couples yet to confirm the details of their weddings in the course of this year. Please do so this weekend.

### **PRO LIFE EASTER RAFFLE**

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

## **FINANCE GROUP**

There will be an additional meeting of the finance group on Thursday 12th March at 7.30pm. The agenda will be:

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

## **KILT WALK**

Michael and Anne Goldie are setting up a team to take part in the Kilt Walk on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> 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 costs.

## **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 all Masses this weekend.

## **WALKING PILGRIMAGE FROM MOTHERWELL TO ST ANDREWS**

We are organising a Diocesan walking pilgrimage from Motherwell Cathedral to St Andrews, walking around 10-12 miles each Tuesday, starting on April 7<sup>th</sup> and finishing on June 9<sup>th</sup>. The pilgrimage is free, the only cost will be for transport back to our starting point. If you would like to join us, or would like more details, contact Jim McKelvie at pilgrimage@rcdom.org.uk or call 07957 847290.

## **FIRST CONFESSIONS**

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March - St. Louise Primary 3.

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March -Our Lady of Lourdes Primary 3.

## **THE 'BEATING HEART' GROUP**

I write to request your help for the 'Beating Heart' group which aids those with babies and young children from across the Diocese of Motherwell and is based in St Aidan's Church Wishaw. They are inundated with requests for assistance due to the baby bank in Hamilton now only accepting referrals from an agency. There is urgent need of baby wipes, nappies, baby toiletries and powdered milk etc. If anyone could help in any way at all, they would be most grateful.

## **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.