

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Lesmurdie

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Please Note: Monday is Father Mathews DAY OFF so, unless it is urgent, please wait until Tuesday to contact him. Thank you.

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EASTER SUNDAY Year B / 31st March 2024

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm Sunday 8.00am and 9.30am

OUR LADY OF GRACE Sunday 8.00am

RECONCILIATION **OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

Saturday 5.15pm - 5.45pm

OUR LADY OF GRACE

Sunday Before 8.00am Mass

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

NO Monday Mass Tuesday: 8.00am Wednesday: 8.00am Thursday: 8.00am Friday: 9.00am

CELEBRATIONS

Baptisms: Contact Parish Office

Weddings: Contact Father



PARISH EVENT: Next morning tea will be in the Parish centre on Sunday 7th of April after 9.30 pm Mass. All welcome. Please come together to serve and bless each other.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS				
Sat 30	6.00pm	Eileen Thomas (Ann)		
Sun 31	8.00am	Holy Souls		
	9.30am	Lucy Radice (Ann)		
Tue 2	8.00am	Holy Souls		
Wed 3	8.00am	Holy Souls		
Thu 4	8.00am	Herbert Abt (Ann)		
Fri 5	9.00am	Holy Souls		

Safeguarding of our children in the Parish

The Archdiocesan Safeguarding Project was started in 2016 by Archbishop Timothy Costello SDB with the aim of providing a safe and secure environment for all its members, leaders and especially children and vulnerable adults. Our Lady of Lourdes is committed to creating a safe parish.

Planned Giving

The Planned Giving program is an important part of the Parish as it allows us to maintain all aspects of the Church, Presbytery and Parish Centre. In order to keep the Parish viable we must maintain a target of 95% and above each week. Last week's giving were **74%** of target.

Thank you!

Prayer of Peace - Saint Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek

> to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand. to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned. and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Our Lady Queen of Peace, pray for us. Amen.

SPECIAL PARISH INFORMATION AND ARCHDIOCESAN EVENT

Today we begin the Easter Season, our 50-day meditation on the mystery of Christ's Resurrection. Our Gospel today tells us about the disciples' discovery of the empty tomb. It concludes by telling us that they did not yet understand that Jesus had risen from the dead. Thus, the details provided are not necessarily meant to offer proof of the Resurrection. The details invite us to reflect upon a most amazing gift, that is faith in Jesus and his Resurrection.

Each of the four Gospels tells us that Jesus' empty tomb was first discovered by women. This is notable because in first-century Jewish society women could not serve as legal witnesses. In the case of John's Gospel, the only woman attending the tomb is Mary of Magdala. Unlike the Synoptic accounts, John's Gospel does not describe an appearance of angels at the tomb. Instead, Mary is simply said to have observed that the stone that had sealed the tomb had been moved, and she runs to alert Simon Peter and the beloved disciple. Her statement to them is telling. She assumes that Jesus' body has been removed, perhaps stolen. She does not consider that Jesus has been raised from the dead. (Source: Lovola Press).

Parish Priest's Message

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Easter is the greatest and the most important feast in the Church. It marks the birthday of our eternal hope, we have got innumerable sacramental possibilities of opening our hearts and receiving his gift of hope. "Easter" literally means "the feast of fresh flowers." "Easter always ends in the Resurrection and in peace, but this is not just a happy ending to a sad story; it's a commitment to walking a difficult path, but He trod on this path first. He gives us comfort and strength."

The Resurrection has changed the human horizon. It has unlocked the gates of death. It has opened up hope of a blessed eternity, in the fulness of our humanity. And therefore, even life here and now has been endorsed. Everything worthwhile in life has had its worth enhanced. Hope is valid. "The Lord gave the word." We can believe and hope. Every time we use words to encourage hope in the hearts of each other – the great hope and even life's small, good hopes – we are proclaiming the Resurrection.

Let us open our hearts to hope this Easter. May the memory of his works and his words be the light which directs our steps in the ways of faith, towards that Easter that will have no end.

Christ is risen, Alleluia! I wish you all a blessed and hope filled happy Easter!

A big thank you to all our parish volunteers for their dedication and commendable loyalty. **God Bless, Fr Mathew**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Mark Blackwell, Louise Miller, Elvin Fernandez, Matt Don, Pekka Marttinen, Barbara Chodorowski, Colleen Searle, Katie Searle, Ralph Leon Mendoza, Olive Ferguson, Emma Newman, Oliver Reid, Marc Fernandes, Mary J Wilson, Reece McCuthcheon, Herman Z, Rita Z, Beatrix Zureich, Phillip Everett, Liz Lennon, Lin Sole, Ryan Campbell, Jill Turner, Marjorie Bly, Lucy Barranca, June McGinnity, Tom Ryan, Len Brajkovich, Annemarie Domican, Michael Gillum, Ron Byrnes, Josephine Rondena, Fr. Paul Raj, Fr. Vittorio Ricciardi, Delta & Eris Toop, Patrick M., Blair Richards, Theo Oorschot, Jenny Conti, Mary R., Fevziye R., Thomas Lee, Judy & Richard Gaittskell families, John Everett, Susie Boukari, Greg O'Connor,

John Brajkovich, Lorraine Carty, Danny Di Marco and those battling with illness and all those who have asked for our prayers.

<u>ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:</u> Eileen Thomas, Lucy Radice, Herbert Abt. Eternal rest unto them O Lord and may Perpetual Light shine upon them.

APRIL	6	7	7	13	14	14
MASS	6РМ	8AM	9.30AM	6РМ	8AM	9.30AM
PROCLAIMER	Peter	Chris L.	Mitch	Christine G	Chris D	Sabrina
ACOLYTE	Richard	George	Terry	Lou	Richard	Dermot
COLLECTION	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
MUSIC	S. Spencer	Quiet Mass	Mark & Eddie	S. Spencer	Quiet Mass	Mark & Eddie
CHURCH CLEANER	Julia E		Pam			
MORNING TEA		Anna & Mary				