

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Lesmurdie

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First Sunday of Advent A 27th November 2022

SUNDAY MASS TIMES WEEKDAY MASS TIMES COVID-19 as of 23 Nov 2022 REFER TO MASS TABLE BELOW **OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

NO Monday Mass Saturday Vigil 6.00pm

Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am, 5.30pm Tuesday: 8.00am or 9.15am (School Mass)

Wednesday: 8.00am Thursday: 8.00am Friday: 9.00am

- 1. Book your Fourth dose if eligible.
- 2. Wash or sanitise your hands regularly.
- **3.** If unwell, stay home and get tested.
- **4.** Wear a mask if necessary
- 5. Collect your free RAT's from locations across state: register positive results.

RECONCILIATION **OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

Saturday 11.30am - 12.00 pm and 5.15pm - 5.45pm

OUR LADY OF GRACE Sunday Before 8.00am Mass

OUR LADY OF GRACE

Sunday 8.00am

CELEBRATIONS

Baptisms: Contact Parish Office Weddings: Contact Father

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

03/12 St Francis Xavier, priest

PARISH EVENTS:

SYNOD OF BISHOPS: The Church around the world has entered the Continental Stage for the Synod of Bishops on Synodality. Groups around the country are praying with and responding to the Document for the Continental Stage, which was published recently. Download prayer resources, including for use in liturgies, read the document and access the submission portal at: www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS					
Sat 26	6.00pm	Harry Moffitt (Ann)			
Sun 27	8.00am	Mario & Maria Scaravilli (Ann)			
	9.30am	Giuseppe Scaffidi (Ann) Angelo Fonte (M.M.) Mass of Thanksgiving 50 Years of Priesthood Fr Bill Ousley O.M.I.			
	5.30pm	Holy Souls			
Tue 29	8.00am	Holy Souls			
Wed 30	9.30am	Holy Souls			
	1.00pm	Funeral			
Thu 01	8.00am	In Thanksgiving			
Fri 02	9.15am	Int. of Donor St Brigid's End Of Year Mass Gymnasium			

Prayer for Vocations

Jesus you are the Good Shepherd who is always mindful of your Church. Watch over those who are baptised in your name and grant peace and harmony to all families. We ask you to choose from the families of our Parish many priests, deacons, sisters, and brothers who will gladly spend their lives making you known and loved. Amen.

Prayer for Peace and Justice in Ukraine

God of peace and justice, who change the hardened heart and break the power of violence, we entrust the people of Ukraine to you. Protect them in this time of peril. Let them know not death but life, not slavery but freedom.

You are Father of all. We are brothers and sisters. Give us the strength to live that truth in love, choosing peace not war. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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. Giving for the week of 13th Nov was 90% of target. Last week's giving was 81% of target. Thank you!

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one

Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God. Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

SPECIAL PARISH INFORMATION AND ARCHDIOCESAN EVENT

Faith without works. Of all the things my great aunt owned, orchards were her prized possession then her hydrangeas and "dinner plate" dahlias. The veranda of her humble home was lined with a dozen or so potted orchards. Her garden would have been a spectacular sight on Gardening Australia! As an expression of her love, she would carefully tend to orchards. Fertilising, feeding them with nutrients, watering, moving them from shade to light and back again and of course talking to them. We thought that was a bit over the top, but that was great aunt. It was a ritual that was designed to guarantee that the long green leaves would produce flowers. The fruit of all her effort as a symbol of her love for all of us. It is worth saying ferns are lovely, they're fresh and green especially in doors. They really make the place feel more alive. But orchards are not ferns and if my great aunt was to have spent a season nurturing her orchards only to have them not flower, I firmly believe that she would be rightly annoyed and frustrated. Perhaps Saint James was a part time gardener, and this is why he was so blunt in his letter when he said, "Faith without works is dead". If our faith is not bearing fruit, can we call it "living faith"? That is not just about tacking on good works to our expressed faith, because that is not right either. It's just like stapling a flower on an orchard leaf. No! Saint Thomas Aquinas speaks of "faith formed by love" and Saint Paul reminds us "the only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love. So, faith is by love and through love". I wonder if my great aunt's orchards could speak would they say. "We were formed by love and through love, we flower. The solution for an unflowering orchard is not a new resolve or brand -new commitment to being the best orchard it can be. NO! The solution is much simpler and sweet. Just let my Heavenly Father care for the orchard. Let him nourish it. My great aunt began with one orchard plant but many years later that one orchard has become dozens of orchards, split and potted, given away and destined to be fruitful in their own right. This week as we begin a new liturgical year, the start of the holy season of Advent, the period of preparation of Christmas, take time to shift yourself from the shade into the light and allow God our heavenly Father to love you and care for you and that in your season you too will bear fruit.

PARISH ADVENT- Christmas Preparation: Second Rite of Reconciliation (COVID PERMITTING) Wednesday 14th December at 7.00p.m. Keep this date and time free and noted in your diaries. It will be that wonderful opportunity to hand over to the Lord that which we have been keeping and carrying in the "dark space" of our being.

Choir Practice for Christmas Midnight Mass!! Starting Wednesday 23rd Nov 7:30pm at Church. Practises held weekly on Wednesdays until Christmas. Please join and bring along your singing friends, let's all praise and exalt the birth of our Saviour!!

Christmas Cake Stall will be held Sunday 18th December after Sunday Morning Masses. Donations of Cakes and baked goods much appreciated. For more information please contact Shirley (0412 762 788)

Golden Jubilee!!!! Congratulations **Fr. Bill Ousley** on the occasion of your **Golden Jubilee of Priestly Ordination!** We warmly welcome you amongst us as you offer the Eucharist for us today in Thanksgiving. We thank you for responding to God's call. Prayers of praise to God and prayers for your continual wellbeing are offered by your friends and Parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes Lesmurdie.

Busy Bee Tidying up the church and surrounds for Christmas!! Saturday 17th December. Volunteers, please gather at 8.00am. Bring your own tools.

St Vincent De Paul The Lesmurdie Vinnies conference has placed a Christmas collection box in the Church foyer for donations of appropriate foo-stuff to be distributed to the needy over Christmas time. Due to the circumstances this year our Christmas hampers will me made up only from our generosity of non-perishable foods as they are no longer supplied by head office. **Please have your donations in by Sunday 15th** December.

Have you thought about becoming a Parish Catechist? The Catechist Service will be hosting an information session for anyone interested in training as a Catechist in 2023.Come and learn about the formation, you will receive to support you in this important ministry **Date:** Tuesday 29 November **Time:** 10am-12pm (Morning tea provided) **Venue:** Catholic Education Centre, 50 Ruislip Street, Leederville 6007 **RSVP:** Mildred 9380 1722 by Tuesday 22 November. **Email:** catechist@cewa.edu.au

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK Mark Blackwell, Louise Miller, Elvin Fernandez, Matt Don, Pekka Marttinen, Ann Elliott, Fiona Mackenzie-Round, Barbara Chodorowski, Jim Everett, Colleen Searle, Vincent Ramsay, Ralph Leon Mendoza, Paula Silla, Olive Ferguson, Helen C, Emily C, Emma Newman, Oliver Reid, Fiona Chandler, Marc Fernandes, Mary J Wilson, Reece McCuthcheon, Herman Z, Rita Z, Beatrix Zureich, Amparo Ortiz, Phillip Everett, Liz Lennon, Lin Sole, Ryan Campbell, Jenny Conti, Deane Breseland, Fiona Ball, Greg O'Connor, Joan Jacobs, Mgr. Tim Corcoran, Jill Turner, Marjorie Bly, Gail Goerke, Isabelle Tysoe, Fred Fernandes, Julia Everett, Lisa Charlesworth, Katie Ammendolea, Ursula McClure, Marjorie Bly and all those who have asked for our prayers.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Doug Ingram, Reg Goddard, Neil Casotta, Maria Majda, Fr. Michael Brown O.C.D., Fr. John Archibold O.M.I. **ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:** Harry Moffit, Mario and Maria Scaravilli, Giuseppe Scaffidi, Angelo Fonte, Winnie Novak, Donny Zuvela **Eternal rest unto them O Lord and may Perpetual Light shine upon them.**

DECEMBER	03	04	04	04	10	11	11	11
MASS	6PM	8AM	9.30AM	5.30PM	6PM	8AM	9.30AM	5.30AM
PROCLAIMER	Bambi	Ellita	Julia	Santino	Christine	Chris D.	Aida	Laurie
ACOLYTE	Richard	George	Terry	N/A	Dermot	Terry	George	N/A
COLLECTION	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
MUSIC	S. Spencer	Quiet Mass	Mark & Eddie		S. Spencer	Quiet Mass	Mark & Eddie	
CHURCH CLEANER	Aida			Julia				
MORNING TEA	Veronika Kozera							