

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Lesmurdie

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

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6th Sunday of Easter / B 9th May 2021

SUNDAY MASS TIMES **WEEKDAY MASS TIMES** PLEASE REMEMBER Covid-19 directives remain **OUR LADY OF LOURDES NO Monday Mass** in place. These guidelines Saturday Vigil 6.00pm Tuesday 8.00am or 9.00am School Mass Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am, 5.30pm must be followed to keep us Wednesday: 8.00am all safe and well. There is no Thursday 8.00am **OUR LADY OF GRACE** room for complacency! Friday 9.00am Sunday 8.00am **CELEBRATIONS** FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK RECONCILIATION **OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

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

OUR LADY OF GRACE Sunday Before 8.00am Mass **Baptisms:** Contact Parish Office **Weddings:** Contact Father

14/05 St. Matthias

PARISH EVENTS

Parish Prayer Group **Thursdays from 10.45am**, in the Parish Centre

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS				
Sat 08	6.00pm	Mass for the People		
Sun 09	8.00am	Holy Souls		
	9.30am	Private Intention		
	5.30pm	Private Intention		
Tues 11	8.00am	Intention of Donor		
Wed 12	8.00am	Intention of Donor		
	2.30pm	Funeral		
Thur 13	8.00am	In Honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary		
Fri 14	9.00am	Intention of donor		
Sat 15	6.00pm	Intention of Donor T.F.		
Sun 16	8.00am			
	9.30am			
	5.30pm			
	5.55pm			

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Louise Miller, Keith Hawkins, Elvin Fernandez, Fiona Ball, Fiona Mackenzie-Round, Barbara Chodorowski, Matt Don, Kathy Young, Pekka Marttinen, Jim Everett, Colleen Searle, Vincent Ramsay, Ann Elliott, Ralph Leon Mendoza, Paula Silla, Chris Burke, Olive Ferguson, Helen C, Emily C, Fred Fernandes, Emma Newman, Oliver Reid, Paula Liddle, Udita Dwivedi, Harvey Loftus and all those who have asked for our prayers.

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 in time of COVID

Almighty and eternal God, our refuge in every danger, to whom we turn in our distress; in faith we pray look with compassion on the afflicted, grant eternal rest to the dead, comfort to mourners, healing to the sick, peace to the dying, strength to healthcare workers, wisdom to our leaders and the courage to reach out to all in love, so that together we may give glory to your holy name. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

John Doherty, Everest Anthony,

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and may Perpetual Light shine upon them.

SPECIAL PARISH INFORMATION AND ARCHDIOCESAN EVENTS

It was "Jubilee Year" for the seminary. Fifty years had passed since its first intake of young men. n preparation for the many public festivities programmed some of the "closed off" meeting rooms and halls needed to be cleaned. I was allocated to clean an empty room. The room was one situated at the lower level of the two vacant buildings within the seminary. They were some distance from the student buildings. The rest of the seminarians were busy attending to their work detail, elsewhere. I had the place to myself. This being the case I used the opportunity to sing my favorite hymn. I was amazed, to tell you the truth because even to my sometimes mis-pitched voice, my voice in the empty room sounded alright. It echoed and resonated magnificently, just like the lingering last notes of a chord (played on a great pipe organ in the cathedral). Encouraged by my first efforts of vocal freedom I launched into more than one of my favorite hymns. It was a happy time and I was sorry when my task of cleaning the room was finished. It occurred to me, you know that sometimes you and I can be afraid of our emptiness. We bemoan our loneliness, our various incapacities and our inabilities to rise to the certain challenges that come our way especially those challenges that come from the heart. We are often ashamed of our apparent emptiness. We wish we had more to give. We are sure that if we were truly "together people" we would be full of all manner of good things. We would always know which way to go. God would know that we have made progress in life. Yet the truth is our emptiness makes the voice of our pain and "lossness" even more beautiful and welcoming to the heart of God. It makes for a song like no other. In our emptiness God can truly hear what it is that is troubling us. He can truly hear the hidden nuances of our differentness and shame. Our song in our emptiness is beautiful. If you are now feeling that sense of emptiness this is what I believe would be saving to us.

"Come to me! Now close your eyes and see yourself in an empty room and tell God why you feel so empty." It will be your song that God will be long remember. Leave it to Him to answer you at the right time. Our emptiness is a blessing not a curse.

"If one member suffers, all suffer together with it" (1Cor. 12.26)

On Sunday 9 May at 11.00am the Western Australian bishops will celebrate the Eucharist together at St. Mary's Cathedral. We shall take the opportunity to pray for our brothers an sisters on the Indian subcontinent and throughout the world bearing the weight of the Covid-19 pandemic. All are invited to join the bishops. At. St. Mary's there will be a leaving collection, a tangible sign of our love and solidarity for the suffering of India.

Eucharistic Ministers visiting Aged Care Facilities in light of the government easing of restrictions your ministry may come back online. Please keep attentive to any further updates.

St Swithuns Fundraiser Tuesday 11th May at midday. Cost \$10 Please direct any enquires to St. Swithuns.

Be Part of "Australia's Biggest Morning Tea" at Our Lady Of Lourdes Parish Hall 10.30am Thursday 27th May, entry \$5. Show your support for those affected by Cancer. As well as a Devonshire Tea there will be great company, a quilt raffle and our usual Monster raffle. Due to Covid -19 restrictions our numbers may be limited, to avoid disappointment please RSVP by Tuesday 25th May. To RSVP or for more information please call Shirley 0412 762 788 or Kathy 0407 777 387.

Caritas Australia would like to THANK YOU for supporting Project Compassion 2021. If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back next week or visit www.caritas.org.au to make your donation online. Through your generosity you will be empowering the world's most vulnerable communities to grow stronger and share their strengths with their communities to lift themselves out of poverty. www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion #projectcompassion 1800 024 413

Happy Mothers Day!!

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. This week's giving was 82% of the target. *Thank you!*

MAY	15	16	16	16	22	23	23	23
MASS	6PM	8AM	9.30AM	5.30PM	6PM	8AM	9.30AM	5.30PM
PROCLAIMER	Volunteer	Chris D	Aida P	Eric M	Volunteer	Ellita D	Sue B	Louis G
ACOLYTE	George	Richard	Dermot	-	Dermot	Lou	Richard	-
COLLECTION	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
MUSIC	Shirley	Quiet Mass	Mark, Eddie Karl		Shirley	Quiet Mass	Mark, Eddie, Karl	-
CLEANING	Glenys & Aida			Julia				