



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Lesmurdie

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Parish Office: Tuesday and Friday 9.00-3.30pm

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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The 2nd Sunday in ordinary time Year B / 14th January 2024

<u>SUNDAY MASS TIMES</u>	<u>WEEKDAY MASS TIMES</u>	Volunteers are needed for Church cleaning, dusting, and watering the garden. Please contact the parish office. Your help will be greatly appreciated.
OUR LADY OF LOURDES Saturday Vigil 6.00pm Sunday 8.00am and 9.30am OUR LADY OF GRACE Sunday 8.00am	NO Monday Mass Tuesday: 8.00am Wednesday: 8.00am Thursday: 8.00am Friday: 9.00am	
RECONCILIATION OUR LADY OF LOURDES Saturday 5.15pm – 5.45pm OUR LADY OF GRACE Sunday Before 8.00am Mass	CELEBRATIONS Baptisms: Contact Parish Office Weddings: Contact Father	FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK 17/1 St Anthony, Abbot- Memorial

<u>WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS</u>		
Sat 13	6.00pm	Holy Souls
Sun 14	8.00am	Special Intention. Anderson Family
	9.30am	Francesco Barranca (Ann)
Tue 16	8.00am	Holy Souls
Wed 17	8.00am	Holy Souls
Thu 18	8.00am	Holy Souls
Fri 19	9.00am	Holy Souls
<p>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.</p>		
<p>Parish Office To your kind attention please: Fr Bill Ousley Omi, could be contacted on 92911509 for any spiritual emergency.</p>		

<p>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. Three weeks update will be given on 21st January. <i>Thank you!</i></p>
<p><u>Prayer of Peace - Saint Francis of Assisi</u> 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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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</p> <p>Our Lady Queen of Peace, pray for us. Amen.</p>

SPECIAL PARISH INFORMATION AND ARCHDIOCESAN EVENT

Although the liturgical season of Ordinary Time begins this week, today's reading continues with the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord, which concludes the Christmas season. Today's reading from the Gospel according to John immediately follows John the Baptist's testimony about Jesus and his identification of Jesus as the Lamb of God. Having been baptized by John, Jesus begins to gather followers. The first followers sought out Jesus because of the testimony and witness of John the Baptist.

We are familiar with the title that John the Baptist uses for Jesus—the Lamb of God. We hear it weekly at the fraction rite during Mass. For those who heard John the Baptist, however, this title recalled key themes from the Old Testament. It alludes to the paschal lamb offered as a sacrifice when God freed the Israelites from slavery in Egypt, the event that is commemorated by the Jewish Passover celebration. The designation also recalls the prophet Isaiah's description of the suffering servant of Israel. In using this name for Jesus, John the Baptist predicts Jesus' passion and death and the new interpretation of Passover that will begin with Jesus' Last Supper.

We learn in today's reading how Jesus' first followers were gathered. The first two, Andrew and another man, were followers of John the Baptist. After hearing John's testimony, they became followers of Jesus. During their time with Jesus, the details of which are not specified, Andrew and the other follower came to believe that Jesus was the Messiah. Andrew then brings his brother, Simon, to Jesus. Immediately, Jesus gave Simon a new name, calling him Peter, which means "rock" in Greek. The renaming of Simon to Peter is reported in all four of the Gospels.

In the exchange between Andrew, the other disciple, and Jesus, we see an example of the usual pattern for first-century Jewish rabbinical schools. Jews sought out rabbis and established themselves as disciples of a particular rabbi. Jesus appears to have been unique in that he sought out individuals, inviting them to be his followers. In the passage that follows, John's Gospel tells us how Jesus took the initiative in calling Philip and Nathanael.

Jesus asks Andrew and the other disciple, "What are you looking for?" This is a telling question, and one that we might often ask of ourselves. John the Baptist testified to Jesus' identity, the Lamb of God, using the framework of the Old Testament. Andrew, Simon, and the other first disciples were looking for the Messiah, whom they also came to know as the Son of God. What do we look for and what do we find in Jesus? (Source: Loyola Press).

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK : Mark Blackwell, Louise Miller, Elvin Fernandez, Matt Don, Pekka Martinen, Ann Elliott, Barbara Chodorowski, Jim Everett, Colleen Searle, Ralph Leon Mendoza, Olive Ferguson, Emma Newman, Oliver Reid, Marc Fernandes, Mary J Wilson, Reece McCutcheon, Herman Z, Rita Z, Beatrix Zureich, Phillip Everett, Liz Lennon, Lin Sole, Ryan Campbell, Fiona Ball, Jill Turner, Marjorie Bly, Lucy Barranca, June McGinnity, Katie Searle, Tom Ryan, Len Brajkovich, Bruno Toffoli, Annemarie Domican, Michael Gillum, Ron Byrnes, Josephine Rondena, Cecilia Norris, Fr. Paul Raj, Fr. Vittorio Ricciardi, Delta & Eris Toop, Patrick M., Blair Richards, Fr. Wayne Davies, Theo Oorschot, Jenny Conti, Mary R., Fevziye R., Thomas Lee, Judy & Richard Gaitskell families and those battling with illness **and all those who have asked for our prayers.**

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: Francesco Barranca. Eternal rest unto them O Lord and may Perpetual Light shine upon them.

DECEMBER	20	21	21	27	28	28
MASS	6PM	8AM	9.30AM	6PM	8AM	9.30AM
PROCLAIMER	Pam	Ellita	Aida	Melanie	Leon	Sue
ACOLYTE	Dermot	Lou	George	Terry	Richard	Dermot
COLLECTION	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
MUSIC	S. Spencer	Quiet Mass	Mark & Eddie	S. Spencer	Quiet Mass	Mark & Eddie
CHURCH CLEANER	Pam			Steph B.		