

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Lesmurdie

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The Nativity of the Lord / C 25th December 2021

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm Sunday 8.00am, 9.30am, 5.30pm

OUR LADY OF GRACE

Sunday 8.00am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

NO Monday Mass

Tuesday 8.00am or 9.15am (School Mass)

Wednesday: 8.00am Thursday 8.00am Friday 9.00am PLEASE REMEMBER
Covid-19 directives remain
in place. These guidelines
must be followed to keep us
all safe and well. There is no
room for complacency!

RECONCILIATION

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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

OUR LADY OF GRACE

Sunday Before 8.00am Mass

CELEBRATIONS

<u>Baptisms:</u> Contact Parish Office Weddings: Contact Father

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

26/12 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph 27/12 St John apostle, evangelist 28/12 The Holy Innocents, martyrs

PARISH EVENTS

Sacraments 2022 PREP Classes on:

Monday 14th February at 4 pm at the Parish Hall

Parent Info Night

Thursday 24th February at 7 p.m. Parish Centre

- ♦ Confirmation 25th -26th June
- ♦ Reconciliation 2nd 31st August
- ♦ Holy Communion 3rd, 4th, 11th, 18th. September

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS					
Sat 25	8.00am	Holy Souls			
	9.30am	Mass for the People			
Sun 26	8.00am	Holy Souls			
	9.30am	Fred Tripodi (Ann)			
	5.30pm	NO MASS			
Tues 28	8.00am	Holy Souls			
Wed 29	8.00am	Holy Souls			
Thu 30	8.00am	Holy Souls			
Fri 31	9.00am	Holy Souls			
Sat 01	9.00am	Mass for the People			
	6.00pm	Vigil of the Epiphany			
Sun 02	8.00am	Holy Souls			
	9.30am	Holy Souls			
	5.30pm	Holy Souls			

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. 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 target of 95%

and above each week.

Last week's giving was 76% of the target. *Thank you!*

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMETABLE OUR LADY OF LOURDES LESMURDIE

MASS SUNDAY 26th DECEMBER 2021 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph 8 am and 9.30 am NO VIGIL AND NO EVENING MASS.

MASS SATURDAY 1st January 2022 Mary the Holy Mother of God 9.00 am

MASS SUNDAY 2nd JANUARY 2022 The Epiphany of the Lord

Usual Weekend Saturday Vigil 6.00 pm Sunday 8 am; 9.30 am and 5.30 pm





SPECIAL PARISH INFORMATION AND ARCHDIOCESAN EVENT

"God has a name"

At this time of festival, it is not uncommon to hear the performance of the wonderful oratorio work by George Frederic Handel, "Messiah". A commentary drawn from both the Old and New Testaments of the Bible announcing prophecy and fulfilment, suffering and Redemption spoken through the prophets. One such chosen text in the work put to sung voice are the words from the prophet Isaiah (9:6-7) "And what name will be given Him, to this Messiah? "Wonder - Counsellor, Mighty - God, Eternal - Father, Prince of Peace." And so, today, what does this mean for us?

As you know for the Hebrews a name was very important. Knowing someone's name implied that you knew everything there was to know about the other and therefore not only was the other vulnerable before you but in fact you held a certain power over that person. So important was it that you could never ask another their name. You had to wait until you were told. It was an enormous act of trust. Furthermore, the name embodied the person's character as well. There was a tribe in Africa and maybe what I say still holds, that a child was never given a name until they were about 12 years of age because by then the tribe had determined what certain person he or she was and then they were given a name that fitted. In the letter of St. John, we read that God has a name and it is LOVE. Beneath that there are some subsections filling out if you will God's character. For instance, there is mercy, another name for love. Beneath that, there are other subsections, kindness, compassion, empathy, understanding, tenderness, fidelity, forgiveness. Beneath that there is another subsection as well, but all find a place in God, patience, forbearance, sympathy, thoughtfulness, politeness, gratitude, and so the list goes on. It is a wonderful thing when we see all these attributes expressed as they are in all manner of people and situations and are able to say "God that was you. I saw you. I saw you in the smile which the old man gave to that old lady. I saw you in the patience of that woman in the supermarket. I saw you in the apology I just got. It was you. It was you God, and you have a name and you told me who you are. You made yourself vulnerable to me. Look around and it wouldn't be any louder and his name is Love. I'll let you in on a secret. God has a name for love too and it is your name. And there are subsections as well. Kindness, compassion, empathy, understanding, tenderness, fidelity, forgiveness, all the reasons and occasions when God comes into your life and mine. Every one of those times allows God to love you. Always allow God to call you your name. Tenderness for God means when the times he did not point out to you when you hurt him but rather looked at what was going on in your life and showered you with his love. Tenderness goes by your name too. Furthermore, as you have heard we have no need to fear our sin, no matter how grave our weakness, our vulnerabilities, no matter how bad they seem to us, they are all subsections in whom we are and for God simply subsections in our name which for God is love. I pray as today we celebrate the birth of Christ our Saviour that we not only see the Christ child as a promise of hope but also see his presence and nature of Him in each other and by the gift of the name we have been given by God.

Christmas Greetings. To ALL Parishioners present and past, and friends of the Parishes of Our Lady of Lourdes, Lesmurdie and of Our Lady of Grace, Pickering Brook, I sincerely thank you all for your over whelming generosity and support of your respective parish throughout the past year. I acknowledge that it has not been an easy year. For many there have been personal losses and sadly bereavements. Nevertheless, you have persevered in faith and continued to "shine" and witness to Christ showing Him to the world. He is truly present with us. For all those who have generously contributed to the life of the parish, in all manner and kind, THANK YOU! I extend to you and all your family members and your friends my very best wishes and pray that God will continue to bless, guide, and protect you. Peace, Joy Hope be yours and good health throughout the new Year. *Fr. Michael*.

Many thanks to all who supported the Pre-Christmas produce stall. Your support was over whelming. Funds raised will meet the costs of the replacement of hot water systems in the parish centre and presbytery.

<u>PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK</u> Mark Blackwell, Gael Connell, Louise Miller, Keith Hawkins, Elvin Fernandez, Matt Don, Pekka Marttinen, Ann Elliott, Fiona Mackenzie-Round, Barbara Chodorowski, Kathy Young, Jim Everett, Colleen Searle, Vincent Ramsay, Ralph Leon Mendoza, Paula Silla, Chris Burke, Olive Ferguson, Helen C, Emily C, Emma Newman, Oliver Reid, Elaine Keble, Fiona Chandler, Bryan Keble, Marc Fernandes, Giuseppe Fume, Stephen Wiseman, Mary J Wilson, Reece McCuthcheon, Judy McInerney, Herman Z, Rita Z, Beatrix Zureich, Amparo Ortiz *and all those who have asked for our prayers.*

<u>RECENTLY DECEASED:</u> Haylee Rosati, Luka Botica, Carmine Valentino, John Covich, Pero Zuvela, Barbara Cornish <u>ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:</u> Miloka Gavranich, Fred Tripodi, Matthew Sala Tenna *Eternal rest unto them O Lord and may Perpetual Light shine upon them.*

DECEMBER	26	26	26	01	02	02	02
MASS	8AM	9.30AM	5.30PM	6РМ	8AM	9.30AM	5.30PM
PROCLAIMER	Chris L.	Bambi	No Mass	Bambi	Denyse	Julia E.	Santino
ACOLYTE	Lou	George	No Mass	George	Dermot	Richard	N/A
COLLECTION	Volunteers	Volunteers	No Mass	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
MUSIC	Quiet Mass	Mark/Eddie	No Mass	Quiet Mass	Quiet Mass	Mark/Eddie	
CLEANING					Magg	gie D.	
MORNING TEA							