

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Lesmurdie

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Parish Office: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9.00-3.30pm

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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Third Sunday Of Lent / A 12th March 2023

SUNDAY MASS TIMES OUR LADY OF LOURDES Saturday Vigil 6.00pm Sunday 8.00am and 9.30am OUR LADY OF GRACE Sunday 8.00am	FEBRUARY WEEKDAY MASS TIMES REFER TO MASS TABLE BELOW NO Monday Mass Tuesday: 8.00am or 9.15am (School Mass) Wednesday: 8.00am Thursday: 8.00am Friday: 9.00am	 COVID-19 as of 23 Nov 2022 Book your Fourth dose if eligible. Wash or sanitise your hands regularly. If unwell, stay home and get tested. Wear a mask if necessary Collect your free RAT's from locations across state: register positive results.
RECONCILIATION OUR LADY OF LOURDES Saturday 11.30am - 12.00pm and 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

PARISH EVENTS:

Easter Choir. Practices for Easter Choir have started on **March 1**st Come and join this beautiful and blessed ministry each Wednesday at 7:30pm in the Church. For more information contact **Shirley 0412 762 788**

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS				
Sat 11	6.00pm	Mass for the People		
Sun 12	8.00am			
	9.30am			
Tue 14	8.00am	Int. Of Donor		
Wed 15	8.00am	Holy Souls		
Thu 16	8.00am	Int. Of Donor		
Fri 17	9.00am	Robyn Mary Ellis (Ann)		

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.

Mary Our Mother, Queen of Peace, Pray for us.

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 was **76%** 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

"There were many lepers in Israel, but only Naaman. The Syrian, was cured"... "Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate"

Why do we as children of a loving God, experience pain? Why do we suffer? Why must we die? How is it that a benevolent, loving and compassionate God can allow such suffering to pervade the world? Such profound questions have challenged theologians and mystics throughout the ages and have generated insights and responses from such extraordinary figures as St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Pope John Paul II, and so many more. For some, their reflective wisdom provides a measure of balm to the soul. For others. The questions and challenges remain. In the Scriptures, we hear of God's healing of Naaman, the Syrian, from the scourge of leprosy, and we imagine the painful cry of the faithful of Israel who continued to suffer without restoration of health: "Why must we, your faithful servants continue to live in pain whilst you heal another"? as humans, we cannot pretend to understand the unfathomable mystery that is our God. As a Christian people, we abide in the knowledge and the human understanding that Jesus himself, Son of the living God, experienced deep suffering, humiliation and pain at the hands of his fellow human beings. In our suffering, we can take solace I our Christian understanding that our triune God, in the person of Jesus, experienced intense human suffering. We then, are never alone in our pain and anguish. God is always with us. Theis Lenten season, as we seek ever more assiduously to follow the way of Jesus, we look to the hope and promise that the Resurrection brings. May we all, through our Lenten observances, be ever more prepared to embrace the *Triumph* of the risen Christ on Easter morning. In the words of St. Ignatius of Loyola: "Give me only your love and your grace, that is enough for me," Amen.

Jesus encounters entire crowds who are suffering from diseases and are troubled by sin. What is the response of our Saviour? Jesus looks at the crowd. In the midst of his activity, he pauses, and with love, he takes into himself the wounded reality of people around him. To be compassionate means to *suffer with* the other. It is from Jesus that we can truly learn the meaning of compassion. Jesus does not lose heart in the face of ingratitude or rejection; he is not quick to judge the motives of those he encounters. He models the Father's boundless generous love and solicitude each person. We can ask ourselves: how do we respond to those we meet at home, at work or our community? Are we quick to judge others by our own criterion for success? Do we decide whether they are on the right path or not? Do we judge the motives for their actions? If so, maybe we need to step back, for this can be a very dangerous place to be. Lent is a time when we can renew our desires to see our daily circumstances from a heavenly perspective. We can learn to see that the world is much bigger and more variegated than we had first thought. When we strive to see creation through the eyes of faith – with eyes of God – we are able to see each person created from love and for love and restored to his or her dignity as a beloved son and daughter of the Father.

Father, grant me the gift of understanding so that through the eyes of faith I may see the life and vision for which each person was created: to be a beloved son or daughter of the Father. **Amen**.

Caritas Appeal to the generosity of the parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes to help with contributions for the people in Turkey and Syria who have been affected by the earthquake. Please visit www.caritas.org.au/syria-turkey or call 1800 024 413 toll free or scan the OR code.

St Brigid's Scholarship Applications are invited from students entering Years 7 and 10 in 2024 to sit the St. Brigid's College Scholarship Examinations. For further information and to download an Application Form, please visit the College website: https://sbcl.wa.edu.au/enrol/scholarships/ Applications close at 4.00p.m. on Friday, 10th March 2023. Examination date is Saturday, 25th March 2023. Please return the completed. Application Form to the Principal's Assistant via email to Guerinoni.pauline@stbrigids.wa.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, 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, Fiona Ball, Greg O'Connor, Jill Turner, Marjorie Bly, Baby Juliette Tysoe, Julia Everett, Katie Ammendolea, Lucy Barranca, June McGinnity, Katie Searlle, Tom Ryan, Delta & Eris Toop and those battling terminal illness and all those who have asked for our prayers.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Christina Bohm

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: Robyn Mary Ellis, Bob Agar Eternal rest unto them O Lord and may Perpetual Light shine upon them.

MARCH	18	19	19	25	26	26
MASS	6PM	8AM	9.30AM	6PM	8AM	9.30AM
PROCLAIMER	Melanie	Chris L.	Aida	Pam	Leon	Sue
ACOLYTE	Terry	Lou	George	Richard	Dermot	Terry
COLLECTION	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
MUSIC	S. Spencer	Quiet Mass	Mark & Eddie	S. Spencer	Quiet Mass	Mark & Eddie
CHURCH CLEANER	Aida		Pam			
MORNING TEA						