# **OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH**

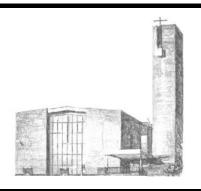
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# 3<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - C 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Mon	10:00	Mass
Tue	10:00	Mass - Memorial of St Thomas Aquinas
Wed	10:00	Mass
	5:00	Reception Elizabeth McSorley
Thu	10:00	Requiem Mass – Elizabeth McSorley
	18:15 - 18:45	Confessions
	19:00	Mass
Fri	10:00	Mass – Memorial of St John Bosco
Sat	09:00 - 09:45	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	09:15 - 09:45	Confessions
	10:00	Mass
	16:15 - 16:45	Confessions

# FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD- C 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2025

Sat	17:00	Vigil Mass of Sunday
Sun	09:00	Sunday Mass
	11:00	Sunday Mass

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

#### MAL 3:1-4

'The Lord whom you seek will come to the Temple.'

# PS 24 (23)

The Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory!

# HEB 2:14 -18

'He had to be made like his brothers, so that he might become merciful.'

# LK 2: 22-40

'The child grew, filled wisdom.'

#### REFLECTION ON THE READINGS

Writing to Theophilus, the gospel's dedicatee, Luke says he wants to write a narrative of the events about Jesus which have been handed down. This narrative of Jesus' ministry opens in the synagogue at Nazareth, where Jesus proclaims that the Spirit of the Lord is upon him. He brings good news to the poor. He also says the words are being fulfilled as they hear them. Jesus is the prophecy and its fulfilment!

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

#### RECENTLY DECEASED

Terence Kelly, Gerry Walterds, John Hegarty, Jim Morretti, Margaret Hill.

# ANNIVERSARIES, MONTH'S MINDS, BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCES

John Waterson, Emma Harkinson, Eileen Hamilton, Norman McDerrmot, Harriet Callaghan, Elizabeth O'Brien, Lily Brien, , Annie & Thomas Flaherty, Betty Sweeney, Winnie Howarth.

Lord in your grief we turn to you. Are you not the God of love who opens your ear to all? Listen to our prayers for your servants, who you have called out of this world: lead them to your kingdom of light and peace and count them among the saints in glory.

**SICK** 

**Neil Cairns** 

# **COLLECTIONS & DONATIONS - THANK YOU**

	£2916
Lourdes Fund	£50
Stall	£30
Votives	£165
Crib Donations + Digital	£851
Digital	£110
Gift Aid	£310
Offertory	£1400

## **FUTURE SERVICES, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES**

# OUR LADY OF LOURDES FEAST DAY

On Feb 11<sup>th</sup> Bishop Toal will be here in the evening to celebrate mass for our parish feast. This will also be an occasion to thank God for the sixty years plus of worship in the Church Building. While there was a very poor turnout for the meeting asking for support, I really appeal to you to put the date in your diary and come out for this Mass. I should feel very foolish if the Church is not full. The children from OLOL Primary, St. Louise Primary and St. Andrew and St. Bride Secondary will all have a role in the Mass. Michael and the choir are already putting in the hours rehearsing. I ask those involved in the Hall, passkeeping etc. to make themselves available to help.

#### THE WELLSPRING GROUP

Meet in the Chapel House on Monday at 7pm.

#### **RCIA**

Meets every Monday evening at 7pm. We keep in our prayers Caitlin, Yvonne, Vicky and Scott who are preparing to be received into Church at Easter.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance group will meet in the Parish House on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January immediately after the 7pm Mass which has now been reinstated. The accounts for 2024 will be presented for approval at the meeting.

#### **FOODBANK**

There is a letter on the noticeboard from EK Community Foodbank acknowledging and thanking you for the support offered in the course of 2024. The food bank collection will be taken up on the weekend  $8^{th}/9^{th}$  February.

## PRO LIFE RAFFLE

Next weekend raffle tickets will be sold in the porch in support of the Pro Life movement. This is a small way by which we can support a hugely important cause.

#### **OUR LADY OF LOURDES PRIMARY SCHOOL**

A meeting of parents and their children from P3 and P4 who are to make the sacraments later this year will take place on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January. P3 at 6pm and P4 at 6.45pm.

## AFTERNOON TEA IN AID OF HCPT

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February 1pm – 3pm.

Please join us in an Afternoon Tea to help raise funds for Group 116 travelling at Easter. You can enjoy some fresh sandwiches, sweet treats and bottomless tea and coffee! There will be Bingo and a raffle too. Cost is £10 per person which includes food, tea/coffee and a game of Bingo and may be paid on the day. Please contact Angela Welch on 07743090414 to book you place.

# JUBILEE YEAR - PILGRIMS OF HOPE

A small prayer card is available for us to use in this special year. They are available in the porch.

# DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

On the Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life, Bishop Toal has invited the religious communities of the diocese to join him for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Evening Prayer in Our Lady of Good of Good Cathedral, Motherwell at 3pm on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February. All are welcome to join in prayer for the religious of our diocese and pray for vocations to religious life.

## LITANY & ROSARY

Please remember every morning before mass, Monday to Friday at 9.25am.



The Litany of the Month and Daily Rosary are prayed.

## HOLY YEAR DAY OF PRAYER FOR RELIGIOUS

The Motherwell Diocesan Jubilee Service to pray for Religious will be in the Cathedral at 3pm on Sunday February 2nd. People, along with the Religious and Clergy, are encouraged to attend. A beautiful service has been prepared, including a Period of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Vespers, and Benediction, with the accompaniment of the Diocesan Choir.

#### PRO LIFE MASS CARFIN

This Mass is organised by the Family Life group in the diocese and is held on the last Thursday of every month.

7.00pm - Exposition of the Most Blessed
Sacrament and 'Pro-life Rosary'.
7.00pm-7.30pm - Opportunity for confession.
7.30pm - Holy Mass
Refreshments in the Xavier Centre after mass.

# **OTHER NOTICES**

# **DIGITAL SUNDAY OFFERING**

The following QR Code or link takes you to a secure web page that can be used for your Sunday Offering.



Please note that not only can you donate your weekly donation online, there is also provision to give a donation for any special collections.

# https://donate.mydona.com/our-lady-of-lourdeschurch

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