

### Parish Lottery Winners

Saturday 9th December 2023 Week No: 02 Bonus Ball: 30 Thunder Ball: 07  
 £150 will be divided between: C&S Donnan, R Dalton, C O'Neill, O Preece (each receive £37.50) There was no winner of the Thunder Ball. Amount to be won next week £250.

### Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Centre

Sunday 17th December:

Brunch with Santa  
 (ticketed event)

Premier League Football  
 Liverpool v Man Utd 4.30pm

Live Music  
 'Heed' 7.30pm - 9.30pm

The Centre is available for  
 Funeral Wakes, Baptism Celebrations,  
 Charity Events, Weddings,  
 Birthday parties etc.

To book contact Parish Centre 07434 667695  
 or 0121 443 2199 follow us on

<https://www.facebook.com/ololparishcentre>

### Christmas and New Year opening

Monday 18th/Tuesday 19th: Closed

Wednesday 20th: Private Party Bingo (in school hall) 7.30pm

Thursday 21st: closed

Friday 22nd: 6pm - 12 Midnight

Saturday 23rd: Private Party

Christmas Eve: 12 noon - 4pm 6pm - 11pm

Christmas Day: 12pm - 3pm (last orders 2.45pm)

Boxing Day: 7pm - 12 Midnight (Little Jimmy 8pm)

Wednesday 27th: 7pm - 11pm

Thursday 28th: Closed

Friday 29th: 6pm - 12 Midnight

Saturday 30th: Private Party

New Year's Eve: 7pm til late Live Music The McGraths (tickets £5)

New Year's Day: Closed

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Marie Sullivan and Lorraine Freeman. They can be contacted at: [sg.ourladyoflourdes.bham@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.ourladyoflourdes.bham@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.



## OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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## Third Sunday of Advent



### 17th December 2023

Masses this Week

Sat 16th Dec	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Patrick, Elsie & Catherine Kelly & dec'd of family Hayes & Taylor families Intentions Patrick & Kathleen Finglass RIP
Sun 17th Dec	9.00am	Third Sunday of Advent	Deceased of Towey & Collins families Martin Corrigan RIP (Birthday) Kitty Coyle (25th Anniv) Simon Oldacres (Anniv) & deceased relatives
	11.00am		Margaret Reilly (Anniv) Winston Davies (Anniv) John McCaul RIP Breeda, Joe & Joseph McTiernan RIP Edward Dunphy Noeline Furey (Birthday Intention)
Mon 18th Dec	10.30am		<b>Requiem: Julie Beasley</b>
Tue 19th Dec	9.00am		Gail Banner (10th Anniv) Mary Wallace Intentions Joan O'Neill Birthday Intentions
Wed 20th Dec	9.00am		Patrick McCool (Anniv)
Thu 21st Dec	9.00am		People of the Parish
Fri 22nd Dec	11.00am		<b>Requiem: Michael Lehane</b>
Sat 23rd Dec	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Gerard McAuley (L/D)
Sun 24th Dec	9.00am	Fourth Sunday of Advent	Sean Callaghan RIP John O'Neill (L/D) Hughie O'Neill RIP
	11.00am		People of the Parish
Sun 24th Dec	5.00pm	Vigil of the Solemnity of the Nativity	Bridie Green (1st Anniv) Mick Sweeney (Anniv) Freda & Michael Keady RIP
Christmas Eve	7.30pm		Catherine Kenny, Fr Joe Taaffe, Canon Peter McKenna Maisie Catlow RIP (Birthday) Eddie Street RIP Caroline Power (Anniv)
Mon 25th Dec	9.00am	Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord	Michael McAvinney & dec'd of O'Connor family Ina Glennon RIP Bridget & William Kearns Martin Ryan RIP Ann O'Brien (1st Anniv)
Christmas Day	11.00am		Mary McCarron RIP Helen Wallace RIP Tom O'Donnell (Anniv) John Duffy (Anniv) Mary, Pakie, Joe Duffy RIP

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### Response to Psalm:

My soul rejoices in my God

### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor.  
Alleluia!

### Third Sunday of Advent 'Joy'

Today we light the third candle on our advent wreath to represent *Joy*. The Third Sunday of Advent is also known as *Gaudete Sunday*. The word "gaudete" is derived from the Latin words "gaudium," joy, and "gaudeo," to rejoice or be glad. As we continue to approach Christmas Day, our joy grows more and more. The third candle takes us back to the joyful anticipation of the shepherds who journeyed to see Jesus in Bethlehem.

Retiring Collection last weekend for Poor Parishes of the Diocese raised £391.96.

Ministers of the Eucharist would ministers who are able to take Holy Communion to the sick and housebound over Christmas please contact Fr Sean.

Advent/Christmas Carol Service today Sunday at 6.00pm. Followed by Mulled wine and mince pies in the Parish Centre.

Advent Penitential Service with Confession on Wednesday 20th December at 7.30pm  
**St Dunstan's** Tuesday 19th at 7.30pm

School Mass on Thursday at 9.00am

School Carol Service on Thursday at 1.00pm in the church. All welcome to come along.

Confessions Saturday 23rd  
10.30am - 11.30am

There will be no 10.00am Mass or Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Saturday 23rd.

Church wardens for Christmas would wardens please indicate on the sheet at the back of church which Mass they will be helping at on Christmas Eve/Day.

Collection at all Christmas Masses will be your Christmas gift to Fr Sean. Envelopes are available at the back of church.

### Times of Masses at Christmas

#### Christmas Eve Mass

5.00pm (family Mass) & 7.30pm

#### Christmas Day

9.00am & 11.00am

Altar Servers Albs Could parents of Altar Servers please arrange to take home and wash their alb in readiness for Christmas. Thank you.

Church Cleaning Saturday 23rd December at 9.30am. Any extra help would be greatly appreciated.

### Next Baptism Preparation Meeting

Tuesday 4th February at 7.30pm in the church. **There will not be a meeting in January.**

Sacrament of Baptism We welcome into God's family **Jax John Thomas Lewis-Hall** who was Baptised at Our Lady of Lourdes recently.

SVP Contact number 07949854349.

Bible Alive Jan/Feb edition now available at the church porch cost £3.00.

**Pray for the sick** - Margaret Barron, Pat Berns, Eddie Byrne, Rita Carroll, Giovanna Casserley, Isabelle Chester, Pat Clarke, Jennifer Cox, Ann Desmond, Bridget Doherty, Owen Dolan, Josie Douglas, Michael Doyle, Amber Durrant, Noah Edwards, Philomena Egan, Mary (Ria) Finglas, Tom Finnerty, Margaret Flavin, Mary Fleming, Patricia Freeman, Christopher Geraghty, Mary Gilligan, Chloe Glendall, Bryan Grogan, Carmel Haines, Martina Hand, Patrick Harte, Dan Healy, Baby Heyaan Heath, Finbar Herron, Anne Holland, Ray Holton, Norman Hubbleday, Jason Hughes, Marie Hume, Michael Kilgallen, Brian Kirk, Barbara Kopieczek, Maureen Maloney, Adrian Mannion, Mary Mazurkiewicz, Eugene McCarthy, Helena McCaughey, Gemma McGeown, Francis McGillion, Pat McGlone, Kathleen McHale, John McNicholas, Danny Mulholland, James Murphy, John Murphy, Denis Murray, Michael Noga, Siobhan O'Connell, Patricia O'Donnell, Margaret O'Grady, Baby John Thomas O'Neill, Mary Pender, John Quinn, John Shryane, Ian Smith, Simon Spillane, Mary Spratt, Julie Swinscoe, Nadine Terry, Vincent Tierney, Baby Daisy Williams

### Lately Dead:

**Julie Beasley** (Thirlmere Drive) Requiem Monday 18th December at 10.30am

**Michael Lehane** (Bromsgrove) Requiem Friday 22nd December at 11.00am Reception 21st at 5.00pm

**Geraldine Browne** (Anita Stone Court) Requiem Friday 5th January at 10.45am

**Peggy Byrne** (Connaught Nursing Home) Requiem Monday 8th January at 11.00am

**Madge Gargan** (Barton Croft) Requiem Tuesday 9th January at 10.00am Reception 8th at 6.00pm

**Norman Brookes** (Northfield) Brother of Margaret Wilson Requiem at St Brigid's Northfield Wednesday 20th December at 12 noon.

**Jim Kelly** (Dublin - Brother of Michael Kelly Colebourne Rd)

**Kieran Lavin** (Gracemere Crescent)

**Anniversaries:** 17th Dec - 23rd Dec 2013 - 2023: Ceri Williams, Brian McMullin, Winston Davies, Maureen Hill, Patrick Reilly, Peter Kenny, Margaret Reilly, Thomas Geraghty, Nancy Noga, Eamon Fagan, Bridget Cronin, Baby O'Connor, Bernadette Prescott, Hugh Campbell, Angela Ravenhill, Margaret Lambert, Margaret Burke, Mary Fisher, Peter Sharpe, Patrick Spillane, James Ryan, Margaret Scanlon, Michael McHale, Bridie Green

Readers	Weekend 17th December	Weekend 24th December
6.00pm	T Bradley	E Flaherty, E Evans, G Evans
9.00am	D Macaulay, C Martin	B Martin, E Bailey, C McCann
11.00am	P Stephens, S Harkin	E Keating, R Wood
Ministers 6pm	P Keane, L Mockler	P Keane, M Moran
9.00am	P Freeman, L Freeman, D Macaulay	D Ryan, A Okonkwo, D Macaulay
11.00am	Sr Clarissa, B Wood, K Price	Sr Clarissa, S Harkin, E Keating
Minibus Driver	-	No minibus
Counting	P Fitzpatrick, P Fitzpatrick	No counting
Church Cleaning	Thursday 3rd January 9.30am	Saturday 12th January 8.30am
	Team C: J Cunningham, F Rotherham, M Nguyen	Team A: S McGrath, P & C McDonald, A Treacy, C Hayden, E Sullivan

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