

Our Lady of Lourdes - Parish Newsletter

Sunday 13th December 2009 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT No. 51 of 2009

Presbytery: 5 Berrymead Gardens, Acton, London W3 8AA
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MASS TIMES: (Vigil Saturday 7.00pm) – Sundays – 9.00am, 10.30am, 12.00pm, 6.00pm
Weekdays: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday – 7.00am and 10.00am
Wednesday and Friday – 10.00am and 7.00pm
Saturday – 10.00am and 12.00pm



Acton Homeless Concern

Ian Breen 020 8992 5768 Emmaus House 020 8992 5768 Damien Centre 020 8993 6096

Mass Intentions

12th December – 20th December 2009

Saturday 12th December

10.00am Amby Whymys – (RIP)
12.00pm Tom Amphlett – (Anniversary)
7.00pm Edward Connelly – (RIP)

Sunday 13th December

9.00am Patricia Morton – (Anniversary)
10.30am Ralph Brown – (RIP)
12.00pm Alexander Morris – (Anniversary)
6.00pm Tom and Alice Cuddy – (RIP/Anniversary)

Monday 14th December

7.00am Ollie McKeon - (RIP)
Amby Whymys - (RIP)
10.00am Augustine Barretto - (RIP)

Tuesday 15th December

7.00am Sheila Hayes – (RIP)
10.00am Evelyn Dillon - (RIP)

Wednesday 16th December

10.00am Mona Questier – (Intention)
7.00pm Sky Reilly & Tom Reilly – (Intention)

Thursday 17th December

7.00am Ugozi Ann Oniya - (Anniversary)
10.00am Elizabeth Waldron – Funeral

Friday 18th December

10.00am Robert Weldon – (RIP)
7.00pm Kieran Sorohan – (RIP)

Saturday 19th December

10.00am James Griffin – (Anniversary)
12.00pm Julian Castillo – (RIP)
7.00pm Michael Nevin – (RIP)

Sunday 20th December

9.00am Michael Morrison – (Anniversary)
10.30am Jean Monger – (RIP)
12.00pm Lionel Cutter – (Anniversary)
6.00pm Jo Stewart – (RIP)

Reconciliation (confession):

Saturday 10.30am, 12.30pm and 6.00pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
for one hour on:

Monday: 11.45am - 12.45pm
Tue, Wed, Thurs and Sat: 10.30am - 11.30am
Friday – (All Day): 10.30am - 6.30pm
Sunday: 7.00pm - 8.00pm

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Monday 21st December 8.00pm – Reconciliation Serv

Thursday 24th December – Christmas Eve

Mass at 10.00am

First Christmas Mass at 8.00pm

Carol Service at 11.30pm followed by Midnight Mass

Friday 25th December – Christmas Day

Masses at 9.00am, 10.30am and 12 noon

No evening mass on Christmas Day

**Please pick up a leaflet from the table in the porch for
further Mass times during Christmas and New Year**



Readings for the week:

Sunday 13 December
Zephaniah 3:14-18
Philippians 4:4-7
Luke 3:10-18

Monday 14 December
Numbers 24:2-7.15-17
Matthew 21:23-27

Tuesday 15 December
Zephaniah 3:1-2.9-13
Matthew 21:28-32

Wednesday 16 December
Isaiah 45:6-8. 18. 21-26
Luke 7:19-23

Thursday 17 December
Genesis 49:2. 8-10
Matthew 1:1-17

Friday 18 December
Jeremiah 23:5-8
Matthew 1:18-24

Saturday 19 December
Judges 13:2-7. 24-25
Luke 1:5-25

**Next Sunday's
readings:**
4th Sunday of Advent
Micah 5:1-4
Hebrews 10:5-10
Luke 1:39-45



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Please pray for those who are sick in our parish, including: Frank Comiskey, Patrick Hayden, Beatrice Manufor, Kathleen O'Brien, Paddy Doyle, Liam Rooney, John (Connie) O'Sullivan, Ruben Noel, Geraldine Powell, Elizabeth Watson, Pat Deasy, Tom & Eileen Kelly, Denise Buckley, Tony & Esther Lacrete, Ralph Lurshay, John Meehan, Tina Stewart-Reynolds, Mona Questier, Micheal and Róisín Murtagh, Brendan, Arthur Makepeace, Róisín Curran, Eddie Phelan

Please pray for peoples anniversaries that occur at this time, including: Simon Henry, Andrew Lacey, Teresa Doherty, Cecilia Delika, Sr Joan Flynn, Philomena Kerrigan, Edward McLaughlin, Conor O'Connor, Rita Lehane, Joe Connolly, Margaret Albahra, Vicky Lopez, Anias Manufor, Stephen Manufor

Please pray for those who have died recently, including: Maurice White, Evelyn Benjamin, Veronica Duff, Gerry O'Reilly, Olaf Rindt, Anne Baptiste, Thomas Fitzgerald, May Byrne, Rita Palmer, Maurice White, Michael Conlin, Jim McDevitt, John Gannon, Antoun Narouz, Sheila Morrissey, Elizabeth Waldron

LIFE Group – are always in need of baby clothing, cots, prams, etc etc. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.

Youth Street Beats – present Mr Skint-Flint at the Priory Community Centre Acton Lane on Friday 18th and 19th December. Tickets Adults £4.00 and Children £1.00/ See poster for more details.

Month's Mind mass – for Jim McDevitt (Father Kevin McDevitt's brother) will be held at St Gabriel's 15 St Johns Villas, Archway N19 3EE at 6.30pm on 19th December 2009

We are looking for people to become Confirmation Catechists. Please contact the parish office with your name.

RCIA – The Rite of Christian Initiation is for adults who wish to become full members of the Catholic church the RCIA group meets on Wednesdays at 7.30pm at No.5 Berrymead Gardens. Come along and see.

Adult Confirmation or Communion – Some of our parishioners may have missed confirmation or communion at the usual age. This sometimes happens because of illness, moving house, changing schools and any other reasons. If you are one of these people and you would no like to receive the sacrament of confirmation or communion, please come along to the above RCIA meeting.

Repository – The repository will be open today after 9.00am and 10.30am mass

Westminster Year Books - are available from the parish office or on the table at the back of the church. Price is £4.00. Please put money in the box in the porch.

Catholic Newspapers - are available on the table at the back of the church. Please put money into the box in the porch. Price £1.20

SSCC Lay Association – Meeting will be held on Wednesday 16th December in No.3 Berrymead Gardens at 7.30pm

Visiting Group – Meeting will be held on Monday 14th December at 7.30pm. At 13 Meon Rd to discuss Carol singing at Sycamore Lodge on Monday 21st December.

Offertory Collection

If you do not use Offertory envelopes each week, please consider doing so. For every £1.00 you give Our Lady of Lourdes, we can claim 25p tax back from the government. This can be done either by envelope or direct debit. Last year we were able to claim £13945.80 back in tax, but there was approximately £11000.00 that we were unable to claim for. feel you can help, please contact the parish office on 020 8992 2014.

Offertory

The offertory collection for Sunday 6th December amounted to £1913.75

Many thanks for your contributions.

CRIB Appeal 2009

At Christmas time, it is a common practice to give friends and family members presents as tokens of love and Friendship, but rarely to alleviate real need. However the true essence of a Christmas gift is to make a real and profound difference in the lives of others, while leaving them with their dignity.

Every year the Catholic Children's Society (Westminster) encounters thousands of cases of children and families throughout the Diocese who encounter difficulties. Staff at our Family Centres help parents to find and apply for suitable training courses and by helping them to fill out application forms.

This Christmas, by using the Society as your intermediary, you have an opportunity to capture the spirit of the season by making a Crib Offering to help children and families of the Diocese who need your help. Please be as generous as you can because your support changes lives

The Giving Tree -The Giving Tree at the front of the church has gift tags attached to it. If you can, take one or more and add to your shopping list this week. Gifts can then be left at the tree during mass. Otherwise please leave them in at the presbytery. Food donations are made into hampers for the poor. If you know of anyone in need of a hamper, please let Avril in the parish office know.

