

OUR LADY OF LOURDES, ROTTINGDEAN and ST. PATRICK'S, WOODINGDEAN



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Live Streaming of Masses from Our Lady Of Lourdes Church

Link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCc4VXBr3EOa43nCxxzB-Edw>

**** THE CHURCH WILL ONLY BE OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER ****


****ON MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY & SATURDAY: 10am – 11am, SUNDAY: 2.30pm-3.30pm
PLEASE NOTE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, ALL MASSES WITHOUT A CONGREGATION WILL BE LIVE STREAMED
MASSES THIS WEEK at 9.30am on **Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday.**

****LIVE STREAMING OF EVENING PRAYER & BENEDICTION ON MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY AT 7.00pm**

The Parish is part of the Diocese of Arundel & Brighton Diocesan Trust Registered Charity No.252878

Services and Intentions

THE WORD WHO IS LIFE

	** Live Streamed	Masses without Congregation	
Saturday 21 November	10.00am-11.00am	**Private Prayer	
Sunday 22 November	6.30pm(Sat) OLOL	**Vigil Mass	Michael O'Shea R.I.P. (A)
	10.30am OLOL	**CHRIST THE KING	Nicole Soignat R.I.P. (A)
	2.30pm - 3.30pm	**Private Prayer	
	Monday 23 November	8.55-9.25am	Adoration
	**9.30am	**Mass St. Columbanus	Mary Barry R.I.P.
	10.00am-11.00am	**Private Prayer	
	**7.00pm	**Evening Prayer and Benediction	
Tuesday 24 November	8.30-9.25am	Adoration	
	**9.30am	**Mass St. Andrew Dung-Lac	Intentions of Teresa Curtis & Family
	10.00am - 11.00am	**Time of Adoration/Private Prayer	
Wednesday 25 November	8.30-9.25am	Adoration	
	**9.30am	** Mass St. Catherine of Alexandria	Special Intention – George Gwyer
	10.00am-11.00am	**Private Prayer	
	**7.00pm	**Evening Prayer and Benediction	
Thursday 26 November	8.30-9.25am	Adoration	
	**9.30am	**Mass	Michael Ormiston R.I.P. (A)
	10.00am - 11.00am	**Private Prayer	
Friday 27 November	10.00am – 11.00am	**Divine Mercy/Private Prayer	
Saturday 28 November	10.00am – 11.00am	**Private Prayer	
Sunday 29 November	6.30pm (Sat) OLOL	**Vigil Mass	Carol Nailor R.I.P.
	10.30am OLOL	**Mass - 1 st Sunday of Advent	Tessa Carrington R.I.P. (A)
	2.30pm - 3.30pm	**Private Prayer	

Please NOTE... There will NOT be a Mass here on FRIDAY 27th November as Fr. Benny will be attending the funeral of Mgr. Barry Wymes R.I.P.

The End of the Liturgical Year

At the end of the Church's year and as we prepare for Advent, we are invited to take stock of our lives and recognise the action of God's grace in shepherding us throughout the last year – which has been a very difficult one for the whole world. Can I see the times of darkness or the times when God has healed me? Are there times when God's love, through love of those around me, rescued me from darkness and despair. Do I THANK God for this love?

Perhaps at the end of the year there is a need for repentance for moments of selfishness and carelessness: God who heals can forgive and show mercy, which can restore us to NEW life. Today's Feast of Christ the King is a celebration of God's LOVE, which extends to the ends of the earth. To recognise God's love is a call to praise and gratitude.

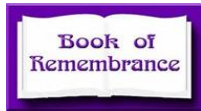
Lost for Words - Peter Edwards

Visits to the Sick/Hospital/Housebound: If you know of anybody who is sick please contact the Parish Office

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those recently deceased members of our parish and others known to us. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families also at this time.

St. Margaret's Church, Rottingdean, will be open for Private Prayer from Mon-Sat from 2.30-3.30pm

PLEASE PRAY for all our sick parishioners who are in nursing homes or housebound, listed in our chapels, but especially for Alison Stainthorpe, Sami Ghazal, Sophie Reilly, Ann Chapman, John Heal, Sandra Waugh, Eileen Cross, Carole Goudy, Victor Hopkin, Eileen Noakes, Veronica Westbury, Colin Allen, Tara Vernon, Brian Kendallm Ava Hewitt and Cherie Pay. Please let Fr. Benny know if you would like a name added.



November Lists Forms are available in the Church Porch for your list of deceased family/friends names. Please place them in the Box marked 'REMEMBRANCE'. All lists will be placed by the altar for remembrance during the month.

MASS INTENTIONS Thank you for your mass intention requests. Your masses are listed each week in the newsletter, which is posted on our website: www.ololandstp.org **The church will be open for private prayer daily from Monday to Saturday from 10-11am and from 2.30-3.30pm on Sunday.** To follow OLOL live-streamed masses on line please click on the link <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCc4VXBr3EOa43nCxxzB-Edw>

CHURCH OPENING

Adhering to the latest Government Guidelines, from Thursday 5th November the Church will be open for private prayer time only for an hour after the live streamed mass, which will be closed to congregation. Please check the newsletter for the latest opening times. St Patrick's is shut until lockdown restrictions are lifted.

ALL Masses at Our Lady of Lourdes continue to be Live Streamed so that parishioners can still participate.

Upon entering the Church for private prayer please sanitise your hands, please either scan in on the NHS track and trace or tick your name off the register. Please collect a piece of paper to leave on the pew when you leave to indicate to the stewards the area that needs to be cleaned.

Please be respectful of what the stewards are trying to do, they have strict guidelines from the Diocese that we have to adhere to. Thank you.



SVP Help Line This week the SVP celebrated the 41st Anniversary of the foundation of their Conference in Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Rottingdean. Please remember all the SVP members in your prayers. During this second lockdown period, they are on hand to help anyone who needs their support or advice when necessary. Contact Ann Knox on 01273 301252 or email: john273knox@gmail.com

NEED FOR MORE STEWARDS We are very grateful to those who have been giving generously of their time by acting as Stewards in our Churches. We do **NEED MORE PEOPLE** to volunteer for this role so that we can continue with the Church opening times during the lockdown period. If you would like to volunteer, please either collect a form from the Church Porch or click on the following link :

Volunteer Form



**GRAB'N'GO
SOUP TABLE**

GRAB'N'GO HOMEMADE SOUP TABLE: 2 portions of soup of your choice & 2 ciabatta rolls: £4.00
Pick up an order form from the church or download it from OLOL website. **Please enclose payment with your order form and return to the parish office by Saturday 5th or Sunday 6th December at the latest.**
Pick up dates for your order: 12th & 13th December. Deliveries will be made to the less mobile and those self-isolating. Any queries, please contact Jose on jonathanandjosesharp@virginmedia.com Thank you



Plants & Bulbs Sale Now is the time to plant for spring and summer colour. For prices and quantities please email Jose via jonathanandjosesharp@virginmedia.com as supplies are limited. All money raised to go to Church funds. Thank you.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES FUNDRAISING BIKE RIDE **Thank you** to the cyclists and to all those who supported this event. A sum of £540 was raised. It's not too late to donate via the Parish office or by clicking on the JustGiving link: <https://justgiving.com/campaign/parishoffertory>



The Whitehawk Foodbank have very low stocks of tinned soups & would appreciate donations. In addition contributions of essential items of tea, sugar, coffee, tinned vegetables, tinned meat, pasta sauces, long-life milk & juice, tinned fruit, rice pudding, toiletries, curried chicken and sauce would be greatly appreciated. There is a collection box in the church porch for donations. For collecting donations, contact Maureen 07935 251627.

PLEASE NOTE: Our new OLOL office email address is: rottingdean@abdiocese.org.uk

Our Lady of Lourdes & St. Patrick's – MASSES - LIVE STREAMING Link:

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See Parish Website: www.ololandstp.org FOR ALL UPDATES

Many Thanks to Ian Watson who has made it possible for us to have mass on line at Our Lady of Lourdes.

Monthly Ecumenical Prayer Group on Zoom – **Monday 30th November at 8.00pm** (for 40 minutes free Zoom time). Everyone is welcome especially members of local churches and anyone is welcome to lead the group if they want to - just let me know. It can include Ignatian Meditation, Lectio Divina, and any other ideas around prayer.

This time the Rev Kate Lawson from St Nicholas Church in Saltdean will be leading us in an Examen. If you would like to join us please email me at tracy.stickland@gmail.com for a zoom link. Please feel free to join as and when you can, there is no commitment.

ST. JOHN'S SEMINARY, WONERSH This past week we have heard the news that St John's Seminary in Wonersh is to close in its present form. The Seminary has served the Church for 130 years and there is great sadness that formation must now end at the site.

Unfortunately there was no new intake this September. With the seminarian body numbering just 17 the community is small, with the building and staffing costs too high to sustain. Arrangements have been made for the remaining seminarians to join the community at Allen Hall, Chelsea in Sept 2021.

Archbishop John Wilson and Bishop Richard are committed to providing priestly formation that will serve the people of our Dioceses and parishes into the future. St John's will remain a legal entity so that consideration can be given to the ways in which the tradition of priestly formation established at Wonersh in 1891 will continue.

The Trustees of St John's are extremely grateful to rectors, staff and seminarians, past and present, and to all those who have supported the Seminary over the years. We ask our Diocesan church family to pray for vocations to the priesthood, keeping our seminarians in their thoughts and prayers over the coming months.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES PRIMARY SCHOOL, ROTTINGDEAN, wishes to recruit more Foundation Governors. If you wish to apply, contact the clerk to the governors ruthali@lourdes.brighton-hove.sch.uk for an initial application form and to arrange a meeting with the chair. If you would like to find out what it means to be a Foundation Governor at Our Lady of Lourdes School, please see poster on our website: www.ololandstp.org .

Offertory, Direct Debit and Gift Aid With COVID-19 we have moved very swiftly to a near cashless society, to the point where we no longer have any change, or cash at all, and as a result the offertory collections are smaller . Our Parish still needs your donations and even though many parishioners are viewing on line, virtually you might say, the church running costs unfortunately are not virtual. If you don't already donate by Standing Order please could you think about doing this. The form is on the website but I'm also happy to send you a copy by email or post if you prefer. Also if you are a UK tax payer, we can reclaim the tax back, equivalent to the amount that you would have paid on your donation. You would need to be paying by Standing Order so that we are able to identify and record your donation. Please do this for your Parish, it doesn't cost you anything more. Email tracy.stickland@gmail.com or call 01273 298625 for a Standing Order form and/or a Gift Aid form if you are a UK taxpayer. Thank you.

Calling all Young Adults of the Diocese (20-30 somethings) Due to current restrictions, plans for young Catholics of a similar age to get to know each other and form communities where they can explore their faith and realise their Catholic identity, have been put on hold. However, we would now like to invite anyone who is interested to join a Focus Group that will meet virtually to discuss the needs and desires of young adults in the Church, and, if you would like, be involved in as soon as possible, coming up with some creative ways to meet those needs. If this sounds like a project you would like to be a part of, please contact the Youth Service Secretary Rosie at rosie.read@abdiocese.org.uk or ring 01293 651161.

Planning your MARRIAGE – It is probably very difficult at present to make definite plans. Please remember that our diocesan guidance is that couples should give at least 12 months' notice of intention to marry in order to allow time for discernment, preparation, prayer and reflection. If you are engaged and wish to discuss preparation Courses etc. please contact Fr. Benny or Deacon Neil.

Poems Out Loud For Zoom link email Patrick Bond: patrickgpbond@yahoo.co.uk



An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that Thou art present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love Thee above all things, and I desire Thee in my soul. Since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though Thou were already there, I embrace Thee and unite myself wholly to Thee; permit not that I should ever be separated from Thee. Amen.

The Holy Father's Monthly Intention for November

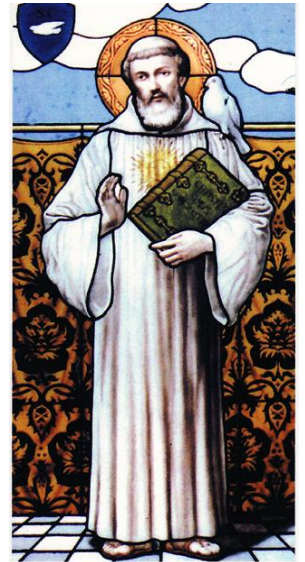
Artificial Intelligence

We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

Saint Columban – the dove of Christ – brought *true Christianity* back to Europe and especially northern Italy after the fall of the Roman Empire. The name means *dove* or *little dove* in Latin.

Columbanus was an [Irish missionary](#) notable for founding a number of [monasteries](#) after 590 in the [Frankish](#) and [Lombard](#) kingdoms, most notably [Luxeuil Abbey](#) in present-day France and [Bobbio Abbey](#) in present-day Italy. He was one of those many Irish missionaries who kept the faith alive in Western Europe during the time after the destruction of Rome, now known as The Dark Ages. Irish missionaries were crucial figures in the spread of Christianity in Anglo-Saxon England during the 6th and 7th centuries

In many respects, he was the greatest, bravest, most thoroughly national, and most representative of all the warriors of the cross sent forth from Irish shores. Born in Leinster, A.D. 543, he was educated first of all on one of the islands of Lough Erne, (present-day County Fermanagh)



Prayer of St Columbanus

I beseech you, merciful God, to allow me to drink from the stream that flows from your fountain of life. May I taste the sweet beauty of its waters, which spring from the very depths of your truth. O Lord, you are that fountain from which I desire with all my heart to drink. Give me, Lord Jesus, this water that it may quench the burning spiritual thirst within my soul, and purify me from all sin. I know, King of Glory, that I am asking from you a great gift, but you give to your faithful people without counting the cost, and you promise even greater things in the future. Indeed, nothing is greater than yourself, and you have given yourself to mankind on the cross. Therefore, in praying for the waters of life, I am praying that you, the source of those waters, will give yourself to me. You are my light, my salvation, my food, my drink, my God.