

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



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Our Lady of Lourdes & St Patrick's Churches are, at present, not open to the public.

Meanwhile all Masses are livestreamed for parishioners.

Live Streaming of Masses from Our Lady Of Lourdes Church

*** **THE RESUMPTION OF MASSES - WITH CONGREGATIONS WILL BE REVIEWED REGULARLY**

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

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Services and Intentions

THE WORD WHO IS LIFE

	**Live Streamed	Masses & Services - NO Congregation	
Sunday 31st January 2021	6.30pm (Sat) OLOL	**Vigil Mass	Bridget O'Shea R.I.P.
Racial Justice Day	***St. Patrick's	**NO MASS	
Monday 1 February	10.30am OLOL	**Mass 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time	People of the Parish
	**9.30am	**Mass Presentation of the Lord Candlemas	Marjorie Tame R.I.P.
	**7.30pm	EVENING PRAYER SERVICE	
Tuesday 2 February	8.30-9.25am	Adoration	
	**9.30am	**Mass	Tony Freed R.I.P.
	10.00am - 11.00am	**Time of Adoration	
Wednesday 3 February	8.30-9.25am	Adoration	
	**9.30am	**Mass - St. Blaise	Celebrant's Intention
	***7.30pm	***EVENING PRAYER SERVICE	
Thursday 4 February	8.30-9.25am	Adoration	
	**9.30am	**Mass	Hugh McGovern R.I.P.
Friday 5 February	8.55-9.25am	Adoration	
	**9.30am	** Mass – St. Agatha	Carole Goudy R.I.P.
	10.30-11.00am	**Divine Mercy/Private Prayer	
Sunday 7th February	6.30pm(Sat) OLOL	**Vigil Mass	Sean Corrigan R.I.P.
	10.30am OLOL	**Mass 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time	People of the Parish

The Diocesan Crib Collection ends on Tuesday 2nd February, Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Thank you for supporting A & B Crisis Fund to provide one-off emergency grants to support children and their families.

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 Catherine James, Tony Freed and Barbara Wood who have died recently and for all those recently deceased members of our parish and others known to us. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families at this time.

PLEASE PRAY for all our sick parishioners who are in nursing homes or housebound especially for Robert Callaghan, Alison Stainthorpe, Sami Ghazal, Sophie Reilly, Ann Chapman, John Heal, Sandra Waugh, Eileen Cross, Philomena McGovern, Victor Hopkin, Eileen Noakes, Veronica Westbury, Colin Allen, Tara Vernon, Ava Hewitt, Cherie Pay, Anne Gisele Cesar, Peter Kelly and Millie and Eddie Fitch.

Please let Fr. Benny know if you would like a name added.

TEACHING -WITH AUTHORITY

The people in Jesus' time were used to religious teachers explaining the scriptures. They were used to being told about the law. They were used to being harangued about how to live. But with Jesus, they realised they were in the presence of someone different. They could not describe exactly what that difference was. But he spoke **with** authority. There was an integrity about his words that led them to believe he was genuine. While they followed Jesus he dramatically demonstrated his power, especially by casting out unclean spirits who had no problem in recognising Jesus. They also **recognised** his voice and the authority which he had. We know that words can hurt OR heal. The well-chosen word can comfort, bring forgiveness, show love and set free. Just as Jesus spoke with authority, people of faith can speak with authority too – to encourage and inspire. Let us ensure our words bring comfort and healing – rather than hurt.

****LENT** begins in just over two weeks. Let us take advantage of the **'INVITED'** Diocesan MISSION – (See Overleaf)

SVP Help Line - Members 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

If anyone needs transport to Brighton Racecourse to receive their vaccination, please ring 01273 293117.

Whitehawk Foodbank. Thank you to everyone for your donations and continued support. We still need tinned soups & instant coffee, tea, sugar, tinned vegetables, tinned meat, pasta sauces, long-life milk & juice, tinned fruit, rice pudding, toiletries, curried chicken & sauce. **For cash donations, contact Maureen 07935 251627.**

NHS VACCINATION SCAM WARNING Please be aware that there is a scam doing the rounds, with people receiving texts or emails asking for payment for their vaccination slot. The vaccines are provided free by the NHS and you will be contacted by your doctor's surgery for your vaccination. Please do not reply to requests for funds or personal information.

Temporary suspension of Mass with congregation in attendance

Following the recent News that cases of COVID-19 are increasing at an alarming rate, on a daily basis, in our area, we are continuing the suspension of masses and services for the time being to protect all members of our community. We are hearing of the difficulties which Hospital and ambulance Services are experiencing and the need to protect the NHS & Medical Staff.

Both St. Patrick's and Our Lady of Lourdes Church will be CLOSED for regular PUBLIC MASSES, until further notice. Masses will continue to be **LIVE-STREAMED** until it is deemed safe to have our congregations return. Times of Masses and Services are given in the Newsletter, which can be found on the Parish Website, and Hard Copies can be collected from the Cabinet by the front door of Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

A further announcement will be made regarding opening of Our Lady of Lourdes Church for **PRIVATE PRAYER** when it is deemed safe to do so.

Weekend Masses will be LIVE-STREAMED on Saturday at 6.30pm and Sunday at 10.30am.

Mass will be celebrated on weekdays at 9.30am.

Wishing you every blessing

Fr. Benny & Deacon Neil

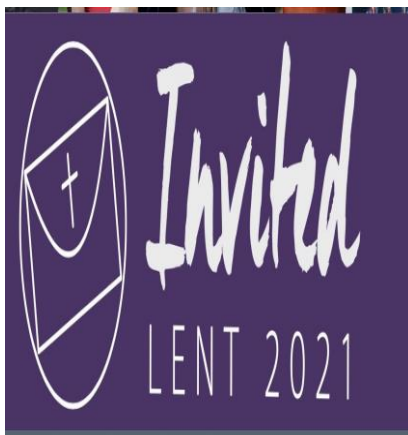
IN PLACE OF WEEKEND MASS OFFERINGS As the church has been closed for some time, many churches are feeling the loss of the offertory donations. **We are too.** If you can give by Standing Order, the forms are on the OLOL website. Please contact Tracy Stickland 01273 298625 if you need help with this. If you prefer a one off donation, there is a donation page on the A&B website. You can identify our Parish so it will come to us. Alternatively, you can drop a donation for parish funds through the letter box of the Presbytery.

Join our Diocese-wide Mission this Lent

The Diocesan Formation Team is hosting a mission, **Invited**, which will run over five seasons, beginning online this Lent. Season one is a series of programmes that help us to understand exactly how much we are loved by God, and features guest speakers such as David Wells, Eleanor Oliver and David Beresford.

What is a mission? An opportunity to sit back and reflect on the content provided and to explore God's invitation to live our lives with Him. You will then be able to join a virtual conversation to meet like minded people and discuss what you have learnt. Visit www.abdiocese.org.uk/invited to find out more.

The MISSION begins. You are **Invited!**



The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for February - Violence against women We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.