

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



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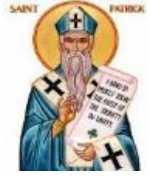
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**Priest: Fr. Maksym Krat**

**Deacon: Rev. Bernard Hill 07505 460888**

Also resident in the Parish:- Canon Daithi Foley

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



**Please continue to observe the Covid regulations/advice from Government and Bishops' Conference**

**Live Streaming of Masses continues from Our Lady of Lourdes Church**

**Link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCc4VXBr3EOa43nCxzB-Edw>**

## Service & Intentions

## THE WORD WHO IS LIFE

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| <br>4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent  | <b>Sunday 18 Dec</b><br>6.30pm (Sat) OLOL<br>9.00am St. Patrick's<br>10.30am<br><br>**6.00pm (OLOL)  | **Vigil Mass<br>** Mass<br>** Mass<br><br>SERVICE OF CAROLS AND READINGS   | Jan Prosvic R.I.P. (A)<br>People of the Parish<br>Sheila & Felice De Rosa RIP  |
|   | <b>Monday 19 Dec</b><br>9.30am   | Mass – <i>St. Martha's Convent</i>   | Helen Flynn R.I.P.   |
| <b>Tuesday 20 Dec</b><br>8.30-9.25am<br>9.30am<br><br>10.00am-10.30am<br>**7.30pm (OLOL)  | Adoration<br>Mass<br><br>Time of Adoration/Private Prayer<br>RECONCILIATION SERVICE  | Theresa Grimes R.I.P. and welfare of her family  |  |
| <b>Wed 21 Dec</b><br>-----  | -----  | -----  |  |
| <b>Thursday 22 Dec</b><br>8.30-9.25am<br>9.30am   | Adoration<br>Mass  | Welfare of Neville Wood  |  |
| <b>Friday 23 Dec</b><br>9.00-9.55am<br>**10.30am  | Adoration<br>**FUNERAL MASS  | Sean Flanagan R.I.P.   |  |
| <b>CHRISTMAS EVE</b><br><br>CHRISTMAS DAY<br> | **5.00pm (Sat) OLOL<br><br>**10.0pm (Sat) OLOL<br>**10.30pm<br><br>**8.30am St. Patrick's<br>**9.00am<br>**10.30am (OLOL)<br><br>CONFESSIONS | **MASS with Blessing of Crib<br><br>** Carols followed by<br>**MASS<br><br>**Carols followed by<br>**Mass<br>**Mass<br><br>***** SAT - 5.45-6.15pm | Sick Children all over the world<br><br>Community at Our Lady of Lourdes<br><br>Community at St. Patrick's For Ukraine |

**PLEASE PRAY for the repose of the soul of Sean Flanagan who died recently. His Funeral Mass will take place on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December at 10.30am at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, followed by committal at 12 noon at Woodvale Crematorium. Pray also for all those recently deceased members of our parish. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in prayer at this time.**

**Please join us today at 6.00pm for a Service of Carols and Readings followed by mulled wine and mince pies. All are welcome.**

**PARISH RECONCILIATION SERVICE at 7.30pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Church next Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December. Fr. Max and Fr. Foley will be available for confession.**



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

**CRIB COLLECTION All offerings this year are given in aid of the Catholic Children's Society A&B Crisis Fund to provide one-off emergency grants to support children & their families. Please send cheques to Arundel & Brighton Crisis Fund, Catholic Children's Society, 73 Charles Square, London W10 6EJ.**



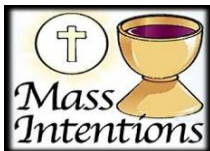
**PLEASE PRAY** for all our sick parishioners who are in nursing homes or housebound especially for John Petty, Alison Stainthorpe, Sami Ghazal, Sophie Reilly, John Heal, Sandra Waugh, Eileen Cross, Cherie Pay, Maureen Garson, Geraldine Lewis, Peter Hogan, Teresa Ford, Sr. Angela, Rosemary Gill, Asahi Religa, Keith Francis, Andy Renton, Bernard & Sybil Workman, Canon Oliver Heaney, Alexander Cruickshank & Teresa Curtis. **Please let Fr. Max OR the Parish Office know if you would like a name added.**

**YOUR CHRISTMAS OFFERING is your personal gift to the priest. Please take a Gift Aid Envelope as you leave the church and use it for your Christmas Offering if you are a tax paper. Thank you.**

**Stewards at Mass whose role is to welcome mass-goers will also supervise the orderly queues for Communion. Communicants are asked to remain in their pews until invited to approach the Altar. Thank you.**



**BEAKFAST CLUB We are here every Thursday after 9.30am Mass. Come and try our new WINTER MENU – all freshly made to order. Thank you for your company and support.**



**Thank you for your mass intention requests. Whilst every effort is made to book your mass on the date requested, please be aware this may not always be possible and funerals have priority. Once you have completed the A5 Request Form, please post the form, together with your donation, through the letterbox of Eastfield, in the envelope provided. Thank you.**



**CHRISTMAS CAKE & MORE SALE - Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December - 10.00am – 1.00pm  
OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH HALL**

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**Kitchen open – 10am – 1pm serving Breakfast Club Menu  
Christmas Goodies, jam/jellies/chutneys and more.....Looking forward to seeing you all**



**CHRISTMAS HAMPERS - TO ORDER – containing lots of Homemade Christmas treats. Hampers will be ready for Christmas week. Cost £25 payable with order. Any questions please contact Jose:- [jonathanandjosesharp@virginmedia.com](mailto:jonathanandjosesharp@virginmedia.com)**



**Poinsettias Please place your order as soon as possible by picking up an Order Form from the church porch & returning your completed form together with the money, to the Parish Office. You can dedicate your plant which costs £10, to a loved one & collect it after Christmas to keep in your home. For an order form to be delivered, ring/email Fidelma Ormiston: [fidelma\\_ormiston@hotmail.com](mailto:fidelma_ormiston@hotmail.com), 07817 966349.**

**We need some volunteer drivers who can offer lifts to elderly parishioners who may require transport to the Christmas Services at Our Lady of Lourdes Church. If you can help, please contact Ann Knox 301252**

**Form for New Parishioners A very warm welcome if you are new to the parish. There are forms at the back of the church should you wish to provide your contact details. Please return the completed form to the Parish Priest or put it through the Presbytery letterbox.**

**St. Francis of Assisi and the First Nativity Scene - St. Francis of Assisi had a special devotion to the Child Jesus, and he is credited with creating the first nativity scene on Christmas Eve of the year 1223 in a special ritual and Mass he held inside a cave in Greccio, Italy, inviting both his fellow friars and the townspeople to join in the celebration. Then he prepared a manger, and brought hay, and an ox and an ass to the place appointed. During the Mass, Francis told the Christmas story from the Bible and then delivered a sermon. He spoke to the people gathered there about the first Christmas and the miraculous impact that placing their faith in Christ, the baby born in a simple manger in Bethlehem, could make in their lives. Francis urged people to reject hatred and embrace love, with God's help. Francis called Him "The Babe of Bethlehem" and the first Nativity Scene was created. It proved to be so popular that people in other areas soon set up living nativities to celebrate Christmas.**

