



Our Lady of Lourdes

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Second Sunday of Advent Year C



“Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. Every valley shall be filled and every mountain and hill shall be made low. The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.” Luke 3:6

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for December 2024



For Pilgrims of Hope.

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthens our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

Prayer Intentions

Please pray for the sick and those in need of prayers:

Gaynor Hawkins	Damian McLeish
Kenny Nkabinde	Francis Brown
Louise Canham	Peter Ronald
Debbie Ryan	Cathy De Gidts

Recently Departed Family and Friends:

Bernadette Mensah RIP
 Jacques Raffray RIP
 Francisca Lawrence RIP

MASS TIMES

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday : 08h00

Tuesday : 08h00

Wednesday : 08h00

Thursday : 08h00

Friday : 08h00

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday : 17h30

Sunday : 07h30, 09h30, 17h30

CONFESSION

Saturday : 10h00 - 11h00

ADORATION CHAPEL TIMES

Daily : 07h00- 18h00

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

Carols by Candlelight will take place on Sunday the 8th December after the 17h30 Mass.
 Children are welcome to dress up as Nativity Characters

*Please bring your own candle.
 Bring a Picnic Basket to snack on!*

Reflection....

John's preaching of the coming of the Lord is a key theme of the Advent season.

As John's message prepared the way for Jesus, we too are called to prepare ourselves for Jesus' coming. We respond to John's message by repentance and reform of our lives.

We are also called to be prophets of Christ, who announce by our lives the coming of the Lord, as John did.

Prayer

Lord Help me to be awake and aware of the radiance you bring to my life.
 Help me to be grateful each day for the blessings of family and friends.
 Let me be a peacemaker in my own life, and in the world.
 Let me pray especially for this difficult world and those who are so in need of an end to violence.
 My heart begs for this as my Advent prayer today.
 Amen

Mass Times over the Christmas Season

From the 9th December all Weekday Masses will be at 08h00

16 December to 20 December - 08h00
 21 December (Saturday)- 17h30
 22 December (Sunday)- 07h30 & 09h30 and 17h30

Christmas Week
 23 December (Monday) - 08h00

Tuesday 24 December : Christmas Eve
 17h30 Children's Mass

Wednesday 25 December
Christmas Day
 07h30 & 09h30

26 December (Thursday) - 08h00
 27 December (Friday) - 08h00
 28 December (Saturday) - 17h30
 29 December (Sunday) - 07h30 & 09h30 and 17h30
 30 December (Monday) - 08h00
 31 December (Tuesday) - 08h00

New Year's Day : 1 January 2025
 (Wednesday) 08h00

2 to 3 January (Weekdays) - 08h00
 4 January (Saturday) - 17h30
 5 January (Sunday) - 07h30 & 09h30 and 17h30

Confession Time
 Saturday : 10h00- 11h00
 23 December (Mon) : 17h00-18h00

Parish Notices

Repository: The Liturgical Calendars and the Springs of Carmel Diaries for 2025 are available in the Repository. The Bumper Christmas edition of the Southern Cross has arrived.

Parish Golf Day - A heartfelt thank you to all parishioners who donated and participated in this event. Your generosity made this event a great success. See you next year!