

**St Francis de Sales Church  
Warren Lodge, Warren Road, Wash  
Common, Newbury RG14 6NH**

**Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Priory Road,  
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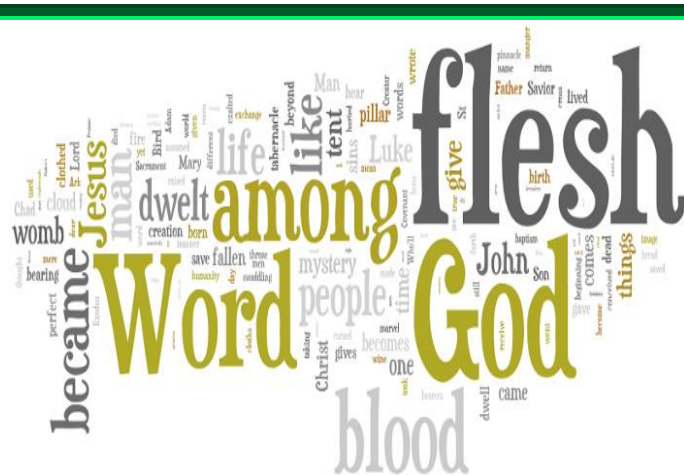
**Web Site: [www.stfrancisdesales.org.uk](http://www.stfrancisdesales.org.uk)**

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**Mass Times and Intentions St F - St Francis; OLOL - Our Lady of Lourdes**

**SECOND SUNDAY of CHRISTMAS - Year B**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Feast of the Day</i>	<i>Mass Intention</i>
Sat 2 Jan	6:00 pm	St F	<b>Sunday Mass</b>	Fr Bernard Medd RIP Bill Tyler RIP
Sun 3 Jan	9:00 am	OLOL		Kathleen Palmer
	11:00 am	St F		Andrew Lavery RIP
Mon 4 Jan				
Tues 5 Jan				
Wed 6 Jan	9:30 am - 10:00 am 10:00 am - 10:30	OLOL  OLOL	Adoration & Reconciliation Mass <b>THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD</b>	
Thurs 7 Jan	9:30 am - 10:00 am 10:00 am - 10:30	St F  St F	Mass Adoration & Reconciliation	Fr Eamon Walsh RIP
Fri 8 Jan				

**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD - Year B**

Sat 9 Jan	6:00 pm	St F	<b>Sunday Mass</b>	
Sun 10 Jan	9:00 am	OLOL		
	11:00 am	St F		Monica Stetick RIP

**Note from Parish Finance Committee**

As you all know, we have not been able to take up our normal collections during Mass for some months since last March. As a result, our normal parish income has fallen considerably. Those of you with Standing Orders have continued to support us very generously as usual, for which we are very grateful. We would like to encourage as many parishioners as possible to set up standing orders, or to contribute a cash donation

into the basket at each door as you leave the church after Mass.

We have also added brand new DONATE option to our website for our regular collection.

**Please help us to continue God's work by supporting us financially**

Lloyds Bank 30 93 04 a/c number 00882993  
PRCDTR Newbury St Francis de Sales  
Ref: St Francis de Sales/Your name

## John 1:1-18

The opening words of the Gospel according to John, known as the Prologue, offer a rich reflection on the mystery of the human birth of the Son of God. The evangelist refers to him as 'the Word', for God has finally spoken his fullest word to the human race. As the reading from the Letter to the Hebrews states, God having spoken at many times in the past, 'in the last days has spoken to us through his Son'. The Prologue also refers to Jesus as 'the Light', for he brings truth and direction in our darkness. The darkness of sin and death cannot overcome the light of Christ. The evangelist speaks of the rejection of the Word by many, but also of the power given to those who do accept him, to all those who believe in him. The feast of Christ's birth invites us to renew that faith and welcome the Word of light into our lives again.

**Fr Adrian Graffy**

## JANUARY 2021

### Human fraternity

**May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all**

### An Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

Sunday Mass is streamed live via our website, at <http://www.stfrancisdesales.org.uk/mass-live> and starts at 11am each Sunday.

**MASS INTENTIONS** Fr Zbigniew continues to say daily Mass and includes all booked Mass Intentions. If you would like Fr Zbigniew to include a Mass Intention, please contact the office.

***Our Journey in our Catholic Faith.***  
***The next meeting will be by Zoom on Thursday 7th January at 7.30***

Mary's Meals feeds desperately hungry children with a daily meal in school. We want to provide 43,000 hungry children in Bong County, Liberia, with a life changing meal. Until 31 January 2021, the UK government will match donations to our Double the Love campaign. Please be generous:  
[www.marysmeals.org.uk/doublethelove](http://www.marysmeals.org.uk/doublethelove)

**If you would like to be included in the Parish Sick List, please contact the Parish Office. Please pray for** Courtney Andrews, Anton Barber, Ann Bowyer, Lily Brooke, Bronek (father of Anna Brooks), Christopher & Robert Brown, **Tim Burke-Gaffney**, Lucy Curtis, Mary Dykes, Emma, Joe Emery, Maria Hall, Sam Hearn, June & Jo Howard, Victoria Kilkenny, Evelyn Lavers, Noreen McCann, Deidre McNair Wilson, Shomila Malik, Joseph Marletta, Marie O'Sullivan, Daryl Pike, Mary Russell, Elizabeth Sage & Linda Verner, David Kennedy who ask for our prayers. *Please let the Parish Office know of any changes.*

**Parish Administrator: Yvonne Eaton**  
**The Parish Office is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10am to 4pm**

**If you are at all concerned that you might have developed COVID-19 after visiting the Church, please contact the relevant NHS authority and let the Parish Office know ASAP**

**SAFEGUARDING:** If you have any safeguarding concerns re a child or vulnerable adult please contact Maureen Hudd, Parish Safeguarding Representative on 07880 730691.