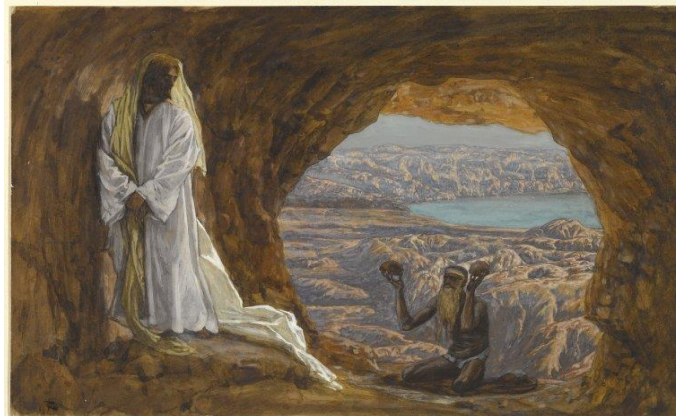


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Mass Times and Intentions St F - St Francis; OLOL - Our Lady of Lourdes

EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - Year C

Date	Time	Place	Feast of the Day	Mass Intention
Sat Feb 5	6:00 pm	St F	MASS	Joanita de Souza RIP
Sun Feb 6	9:00 am	OLOL		
	11:00 am	St F		Mary Donnelly RIP
Mon Feb 7				
Tues Mar 8	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm 7:00 pm - 7:30 pm	St F	NO MASS	
Wed Mar 9	9:30 am - 10:00 am 10:00 am - 10:30	OLOL	NO MASS	
Thurs Mar 10	9:30 am - 10:00 am 10:00am 10:30 am	St F	Mass Adoration & Reconciliation	Mathew's 30 th Birthday
Fri Mar 11	7:00 pm 7:20 pm - 7:30 pm - 8:00 pm		Mass Stations of the Cross & Reconciliation	

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT - Year C

Sat Mar 12	6:00 pm	St F	MASS	Jan Carroll RIP
Sun Mar 13	9:00 am	OLOL		
	11:00 am	St F		Fr Bernard Medd RIP

COLLECTION FOR UKRAINE

Starting this weekend, the urn will be used for a special collection after Mass. Father Zbigniew is liaising with the Polish Church in Southampton, who have already sent vans of medical and food supplies to parishes in Poland which are taking in Ukrainian refugees. Each van trip costs £900. They are saying that this is the best way to help. They do not need any more clothes for the present time but donations for them to buy food and medical supplies would be very welcome. Please donate in cash, cheque or online. Cheques to be made payable to PRCDTR Newbury, St. Francis de Sales ref Ukraine or online Account 008882993 Sort Code 30-93-04 UKRAINE

The Popes Intention March 2022

A Christian Response to Bioethical Challenges

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

SAFEGUARDING: Should you have any safeguarding concerns about a child or vulnerable adult, please contact the parish safeguarding team (Jemma Polland and Mike Pyne):

safeguarding@stfrancisdesales.org.uk

Virtual Landline Number: 03301334514

Luke 4:1-13

It is an ancient tradition that we read the gospel of the temptation of Jesus on the first Sunday of Lent. There is the obvious connection that Jesus spends forty days in the wilderness, but there are deeper reasons. In each of the synoptic gospels we are told how, before his ministry begins, Jesus, filled with the Spirit, encounters the spirit of evil. It is what his ministry is all about. It is what our lives are all about. To overcome evil with goodness is the constant challenge of the gospel.

In the longer narratives in Matthew and Luke we are given what amounts to a profound reflection on the nature of temptation. To use God-given powers for selfish ends is a temptation rife in our modern times. To worship the source of evil recalls our modern confusion about what is morally good and morally bad. To put God to the test is similarly familiar. Jesus withstands each of these tests. Our gospel ends with the departure of the devil 'to return at the appointed time'. Luke knows that the critical time will come at Calvary. Fr Adrian Graffy

If you would like to be included in the Parish Sick List, please contact the Parish Office. Please pray for Patricia Flynn, Geoffrey Keegan, Elizabeth O'Keefe Teresa Bourke, Alice Manners, Lauren Manners, Lucy Tyler, Courtney Andrews, Ann Bowyer, Lily Brooke, Bronek (father of Anna Brooks), Christopher & Robert Brown, Tim Burke-Gaffney, Lucy Curtis, Mary Dykes, Emma, Joe Emery, Sam Hearn, June & Jo Howard, Evelyn Lavers, Noreen McCann, Deidre McNair Wilson, Shomila Malik, Joseph Marletta, Marie O'Sullivan, Daryl Pike, Mary Russell, Elizabeth Sage & Linda Verner, Arthur Mitchell, Serafino Vagnarelli & Peter, Sue Mangham who ask for our prayers. *Please let the Parish Office know of any changes*

Youth Group Vision Meeting is this Wednesday 9th March 7.30-8.30 in the Upper Room or Via Teams. Please join us where we will explore and build the vision for our youth.

Online details are available from paul.dykes@gmail.com or you can join by phone 020 4534 2863 with pin number 748930224# email: ellenmclinch@gmail.com for more details

J&P Cake Stall - 27 March 2022 After Sunday mass in the hall at St Francis. Proceeds to support the Ukraine appeal. If you can, please bring cakes, biscuits and jams to the hall before mass, and come and buy! More info contact stfrancisjpgroup@gmail.com

The wearing of face masks in church is optional. Those who may feel compromised should continue to wear a face covering and to take responsibility for their welfare. The transept will continue to be available for those wishing for a greater degree of isolation.

Lent Stations of the Cross. Each Friday in Lent there will be Mass at 7.00 pm with Stations of the Cross following at 7.30. During this time there will be the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Father Zbigniew is inviting different parish groups or members to lead these Stations each week as we have done in the past and there is a list in the porch for you to fill in.

Synodal Process. The Parish responses has been submitted to the diocese and has been acknowledged and is now available for all to see on the parish web site. There is also a list of more parish related suggestions and ideas that were made and which will be discussed by the PPC. Thank you all who responded to this great opportunity. <https://www.stfrancisdesales.org.uk/news/synodal-process-submission>

RCIA Candidates. Please pray for David, Leisa, Lynne, Jack, Nigel, Peter, Ronald and Selina who as part of their journey to Full Communion at Easter, on Saturday who attended the Rite of Election at the Cathedral with Bishop Philip and this week end will be attending the Presentation Rite in our churches.

RCIA. The next meeting will be in the hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 10th March.

Saturday 19th March Feast of St. Joseph. Half day of reflection and renewal for all Special Ministers of Holy Communion. Commencing with Mass at 10.00 am. All are invited to the mass and any felt called to this important ministry are also invited to the meeting after mass.

CAFOD's Walk Against Hunger Lent challenge

There are 200 million children in the world whose lives are at risk from malnutrition. This Lent, challenge yourself to walk 200km, and help give hunger its marching orders. Do 5k a day, your way, for 40 days, get sponsored and you'll conquer your 200km target in time for Easter - and help people around the world to live free from hunger. To take part, go to cafod.org.uk/walk.

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

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

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