

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

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME-YEAR B**

	<i>Time</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Feast of the Day</i>	<i>Mass Intention</i>
Sat Jan 27	6:00pm	St F	<b>MASS</b>	Private Intention
Sun Jan 28	9:00 am	OLOL		Mrs Patricia Dyson RIP
	11:00 am	St F		Bill Bowyer RIP
Mon Jan 29				
Tues Jan 30	6:00 pm -	St F	<b>Adoration &amp; Reconciliation</b> <b>MASS</b>	
	7:00 pm			
	7:00 pm			
	7:30 pm			
Wed Jan 31	9:30 am -	OLOL	<b>Adoration &amp; Reconciliation</b> <b>MASS</b> <b>St John Bosco Founder</b>	
	10:00 am			
	10:00 am -			
	10:30			
Thurs 1 Feb	9:30 am -	St F	<b>Mass</b> <b>Adoration &amp; Reconciliation</b>	
	10:00 am			
	10:00 am -			
	10:30			
Fri 2 Feb			<b>THE PRESENTATION OF</b> <b>THER LORD</b>	

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME-YEAR B**

Sat 3 Feb	6:00pm	St F	<b>MASS</b>	
Sun 4 Feb	9:00 am	OLOL		
	11:00am	St F		Chris Dykes & Family on the Occasion of his 80 <sup>th</sup> Birthday

**JANUARY**

**For The Gift Of Diversity In The Church**

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us  
 recognize the gift of different charisms within  
 the Christian community, and to discover the  
 richness of different ritual traditions in the  
 heart of the Catholic Church.

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**MONTHLY COLLECTION DECEMBER 2023**  
**£ 1,069.94**

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

## **Mark 1:21-28**

After a baptism, the celebrant performs an anointing with Chrism and says "The God of power and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has freed you from sin and brought you to new life through water and the Holy Spirit. He now anoints you with the chrism of salvation, so that, united with his people, you may remain for ever a member of Christ who is Priest, Prophet, and King." The anointing signifies our sharing in the priesthood, kingship, and prophetic office of Jesus Christ. Today's scripture readings bring to mind the prophetic role of Jesus Christ, and by extension our share in this very office. We may have the notion that a prophet is someone who has divine or secret insight of future events that will come, but simply put, a prophet is one who points the way to God. We are all called to be prophets. We have all received the divine call, as God's children in our baptism and confirmation, to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ, which is a message of love, a message of justice, a message of peace, and a message of reconciliation. Through our words and actions, we are to promote justice and peace, to defend the weak and rejected of society, to live a life of honesty and integrity following the pattern set before us in the life of Jesus Christ. This is only possible if it based on a firm foundation of prayer. Being a Christian, a follower of Jesus Christ, does not mean that we escape from the world, society, and culture we live in, but to the contrary, to engage with the world, to be a voice of truth, to speak out against injustice and hatred, and pointing the way to God, which is the way of peace, reconciliation, and love. We have nothing to fear, for God will put his words into our mouths, will strengthen us with fortitude to speak with authority.

**Fr Antony Fyk**

**MEDJUGORGE YOUTH FESTIVAL** 31st July to 7th August 2024. Further details from Sue Smith <[susan.smith313@ntlworld.com](mailto:susan.smith313@ntlworld.com)>

**Lourdes Pilgrimage July 2024** - Further details from Fr Michael or Anne Paice at St. Joseph's office@stjosephsnewbury.org.uk

If you would like to be included in the Parish Sick List, please contact the Parish Office

Please pray for **Geoffrey Keegan, Jane Horscroft, Courtney Andrews, Ann Bowyer, Lily Brooke, Christopher & Robert Brown, Tim Burke-Gaffney, Lucy Curtis, Mary Dykes, Chris Dykes, Emma, Joe Emery, Sam Hearn, June & Jo Howard, Evelyn Lavers, Noreen McCann, Shomila Malik, Joseph Marletta, Marie O'Sullivan, Daryl Pike, Elizabeth Sage, Linda Verner, Arthur Mitchell, Malcolm Higgins, Sofia Joseph, Corbert Joseph, Gillian Spencer, Sheila Clements, Jim Polland, Krzysz Zablocki, Margaret McGuire & Sandy Hebden** who ask for our prayers. Please let the Parish Office know of any changes.

**RCIA/Journey in Faith.** The next meetings will be on Thursday 1st February and Thursday 15th February at **St. Francis de Sales** at 7.30pm

**Mothers' Prayer Group':** This group meets on Friday's at 10.30 with the aim to pray for the needs of our children, and for a strengthening of faith. The Movement exists in over 100 countries and members meet in one another's homes. Further details from Teresa on 07917 323364.

**New 'Grand/Mothers' Prayer Group':** To meet every Thursday, at Newbury Grove Care Home, 370 London Rd. RG14 2QH from 2.30pm-4.00pm to pray for the needs of our children and grandchildren, and for a strengthening of faith. Refreshments provided. The Movement exists in over 100 countries. If interested please contact, [elizmatias43@gmail.com](mailto:elizmatias43@gmail.com) or just come along!

Saturday, 2nd March at 6pm. Piano Recital by Christopher Burrows at St Joseph's Church . Programme to include works by Chopin, Beethoven, Bach, Brahms and Mozart. Tickets £15 (payable at door) to include wine/sparkling wine and canapés during the interval. Click [here](#) for details