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

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR A**

	<i>Time</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Feast of the Day</i>	<i>Mass Intention</i>
Sat Feb 28	5:15 pm 6:00pm	St F	<b>Adoration &amp; Rosary MASS</b>	<b>Jane &amp; Robin Horscroft RIP</b>
Sun Mar 1	09:00 am	OLOL	<b>MASS</b>	
	11:00 am 1:00 pm	St F St F	<b>MASS AFRICAN MASS</b>	
Mon Mar 2	10:00 am	OLOL		<b>Timothy O' Sullivan RIP</b>
Tues Mar 3	6:00 pm 7:00 pm	St F	<b>Adoration &amp; Reconciliation MASS</b>	
Wed Mar 4	9:30 am 10:00 am - 10:30 am	OLOL	<b>NO MASS</b>	
Thurs Mar 5	9:30 am 10:00 am - 10:30 am	St F	<b>NO MASS</b>	
Fri Mar 6	7:00 pm 7:30 pm	St F	<b>NO MASS Stations of the Cross</b>	
<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR A</b>				
Sat Mar 7	5.15 pm 6:00 pm	St F	<b>Adoration &amp; Rosary MASS</b>	<b>Joanita De Souza RIP</b>
Sun Mar 8	09:00 am	OLOL	<b>MASS</b>	<b>Lukasz Markiewicz RIP</b>
	11:00 am	St F	<b>MASS</b>	

**The Popes Intention**  
**March**

**For disarmament and peace**

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Irena Budyn whose funeral is on Thursday

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

## Matthew 17:1-9

Since it is a Feast of the Lord, the Transfiguration takes precedence over the ordinary Sunday celebration whenever 6<sup>th</sup> August falls on a Sunday. The Gospel of the Transfiguration is read, as it is every year on the Second Sunday of Lent, when we recall the journey of Jesus to Jerusalem. In the Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, all of whom recount the incident, it is found just as Jesus is beginning his journey to Jerusalem, where he will be arrested, tortured and executed. The Transfiguration provides a glimpse of something beyond the apparent tragedy of the Cross. Jesus is at prayer and it is at this moment that the disciples witness a transformation. In Matthew both his face and his garments are miraculously changed, suggesting something beyond our experience. The vision seen by the three disciples is further enriched by the presence of Moses and Elijah, who can be understood as bearing witness to Jesus. It is they who along with so many prophets and holy people have prepared for the coming of Messiah. The clouds and the voice are also part of this experience. As on so many occasions in the Old Testament they speak of the presence of God. The climax comes when God speaks, calling Jesus his 'beloved Son', and commanding the disciples to 'listen'. As Jesus makes his way to Jerusalem, courageously facing whatever will meet him there, the disciples are encouraged to follow his way. They may well face suffering and even death, but the way of Jesus truly leads to life. The event so struck the three disciples that they never forgot it, and it became a valuable part of the gospel witness to Jesus, assuring all faithful disciples of future glory.

Please pray for Lily Brooke, Christopher & Robert Brown, Tim Burke-Gaffney, Lucy Curtis, Mary Dykes, Chris Dykes, Emma Dykes, Joe Emery, Sam Hearn, June & Jo Howard, Evelyn Lavers, Noreen McCann, Shomila Malik, Joseph Marletta, Marie O'Sullivan, Daryl Pike, Elizabeth Sage, Arthur Mitchell, Malcolm Higgins, Sofia Joseph, Corbert Joseph, Gillian Spencer, Krzysz Zablocki, Margaret McGuire, Sean Early, Tony Lavers, John Huckle and Eveleen Softley who ask for our prayers. Please let the Parish Office know of any changes.

Fr Padraig Faughnan RIP. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Fr. Pat who died on Tuesday

Thursday 5th March 7.30pm, Twelfth meeting of RCIA, Journey in Faith programme in the Parish Hall. This meeting will be led by Fr. Zbigniew and Alistair Mitchel and will look at Church - Community - Family. All are most welcome

## FORMATION FOR EUCHARISTIC

**MINISTERS** Fr Anthony Fyk, Director of Liturgical Formation, invites you to a formation morning at St Peter's Pastoral Centre, Winchester on Saturday 9 May, commencing with Mass at 9 am. There will be a welcome session from Fr Anthony, a talk focussing on the Eucharist in the sacred scriptures as well as a session on Lectio Divina: 'Living a Eucharistic life - what does it mean to live out the eucharist?'. All Eucharistic Ministers, experienced and new, are very welcome to attend. If you wish to attend, please register via [liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk).

Friday March 6th - World Day of Prayer at OLOL at 2pm following the Lent lunch. This year this beautiful service comes from Nigeria. Everyone welcome. Also, at St. Josephs at 11.00 am

Hungerford Lent lunches - OLOL Friday 6th March at 12.30pm, URC church Friday 13th March at 12.30pm, Methodist church Friday 20th March at 12.30pm, St Lawrence's church Friday 27th March at 12.30pm

Please help us to continue God's work by supporting us financially Lloyds Bank 30 93 04 a/c number 00882993 CDP Newbury StFrancis de Sales Ref: St Francis de Sales/Your name

## SECOND COLLECTION CAFOD 1 MARCH

J & P Group are collecting for West Berkshire Foodbank. Urgent needs for this week are - cooked meat with ring-pulls, dried milk powder, egg noodles, fruit juice (long life), tinned meat, custard/rice pudding pots, sponge puddings, tinned fish, tinned tomatoes. They can be placed in the hamper in the church hall foyer. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

**West Berkshire Pastoral Area**  
**Parish of**  
**The Parish of St. Francis de Sales,**  
**Wash Common/Our Lady of Lourdes**  
**Hungerford.**

**Liturgy Feb – Sept 2026 Including**  
**Lent and Holy Week**

**Normal Week-end liturgy** – Saturday Vigil  
 Mass St. F 1800 Adoration **and Reconciliation from**  
**1715 Sunday** Mass OLOL 0900 St. F 1100  
 First Sunday of month at St. F there will be an  
 African Mass at 1300  
 Last Sunday of month Special Blessings at all  
 Masses for birthdays, anniversaries & special events

		<b>OLOL</b>	<b>St. F de S</b>
Sat 28 <sup>th</sup> /Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lent	Mass First Holy Communion – Lesson 8 African Mass	0900	1800/1100 1200 1300
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Mass in Latin		1900
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	RCIA – Journey in Faith meeting 10		1930
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Mass Stations of the Cross & Reconciliation		1900 1930
Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> /Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> March 3 <sup>rd</sup> Lent	Mass First Holy Communion Participation in Mass First Scrutiny for The Elect (RCIA) Justice & Peace Cake Stall	0900	1800/1100 1830/1200

Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Mass Stations of the Cross & Reconciliation		1900 1930
Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> March 4 <sup>th</sup> Lent Mother's Day	Mass Second Scrutiny for The Elect (RCIA)	0900	1800/1100
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> March Feast of St. Patrick	Adoration & Reconciliation Mass		1800 1900
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March Feast of St. Joseph	Mass. Adoration & Reconciliation RCIA – Journey in Faith meeting 13		0930 1930