

# OUR LADY OF LOURDES, ROTTINGDEAN and ST. PATRICK'S, WOODINGDEAN



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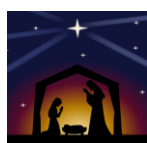
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## Service & Intentions – First Week in Advent

Saturday 2 December		6.30pm OLOL	Sunday Vigil Mass	People of the Parish
Sunday 3 December – First Sunday of Advent		9.00am St. Patrick's	Mass	Peace In Israel & Middle East
		10.30am OLOL	Mass	Veronica Kearney RIP
		5.00pm OLOL	Advent Service	–
Monday 4 December		9.30am OLOL	Mass	Palestinians and Israelis dead since 7 Oct 2023
Tuesday 5 December		9.30am OLOL <i>10.00-10.30am OLOL</i>	Mass <i>Adoration &amp; Confessions</i>	Wellbeing of Daniel Pires
Wednesday 6 December		–	–	–
Thursday 7 December		9.30am OLOL	Mass	No intention
Friday 8 December – The Immaculate Conception		9.30am OLOL <i>10.00-10.30am OLOL</i>	Mass <i>Divine Mercy</i>	Teresa Pires & Ligorio Viegas RIP
Saturday 9 December		6.30pm OLOL	Sunday Vigil Mass	Wellbeing of Rose Hedley
Sunday 10 December – Second Sunday of Advent		9.00am St. Patrick's	Mass	The Le Fleurier Family
		10.30am OLOL	Mass	People of the Parish
		3.00pm OLOL	Reconciliation Service	–
<i>Confessions at OLOL – Saturday 5.45-6.15pm.</i>				
<i>Friday is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. No abstinence.</i>				



**Crib collection through December:** All offerings this year are given in aid of the Catholic Children's Society A&B Crisis Fund to provide one-off emergency grants to support children and their families. Please send cheques to Arundel & Brighton Crisis Fund, Catholic Children's Society, 73 Charles Square, London W10 6EJ.



**Advent Service:** The first Sunday of Advent, **3 Dec** at 5pm you are all invited to the annual Advent Service at OLOL Church with St. Margaret's Church Rottingdean for carols and readings. This will be followed by mulled wine and mince pies in the Church Hall.



**Advent Reconciliation Service** is on **Sunday 10 Dec** at 3pm in OLOL Church.

**St. Patrick's is holding a Christmas tea** with some carol singing and readings, on **Friday 15 Dec** at 3pm. All welcome. Bring a friend. No need to book. No charge. Voluntary collection for Cafod.



**PLEASE PRAY** for all our sick parishioners who are in nursing homes or housebound especially for John Petty, Alison Stainthorpe, Sami Ghazal, Sophie Reilly, John Heal, Sandra Waugh, Eileen Cross, Cherie Pay, Maureen Garson, Teresa Ford, Geraldine Lewis, Peter Hogan, Sr. Angela, Rosemary Gill, Asahi Religa, Keith Francis, Andy Renton, Canon Oliver Heaney, Alexander Cruickshank, Teresa Curtis, Sr. Anne Campbell, David Iddiols, Pete Jays, Philip Roderick, Christine Talbot, Beau Harvey & Michael O'Brien. Please let the Parish Office know if you would like a name added.

**PLEASE PRAY** for the repose of the souls of all those recently deceased members of our parish. May they rest in peace. Please keep their families in your prayers.

**Visits to the Sick/Hospital/Housebound:** If you know of anybody who is sick please contact the Parish Office.



**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) course: Tuesday evenings** from 6pm to 7pm in the Church Hall at OLOL.



**Breakfast Club:** We are in the Church Hall at OLOL every Thursday after 9.30am Mass. All orders freshly made. Eat in or take away. Thank you for supporting this parish fundraising weekly event.



**CHRISTMAS CAKES & MORE SALE: Saturday 16 Dec** 10am until 1pm. Our kitchen will be open for breakfast, brunch, mulled wine, or even coffee. If ANYONE would like to MAKE? BAKE? HELP? or DONATE a bottle for the raffle, it would be very much appreciated.



**St. Patrick's is very grateful to those who supported the Line Dance** and supper last Friday. £342 was raised from which we donated £100 to Lifelines (Brighton), a charity run by volunteers which holds classes, helps shopping, getting to appointments, etc. All for the over 50's. The Line Dancing itself was co-ordinated by Julie, a Lifelines Volunteer in Woodingdean. Interestingly, the majority of people present were not parishioners!!



**Volunteers needed to help with flower arrangements at OLOL.** If you can help with this, please contact the Parish Office or see Fr. Max.



**The Ministry of Consolation** supporting you through your loss are here at Our Lady of Lourdes, Rottingdean on the second Tuesday in the month in the Church Hall, after 09.30am Mass. The next session will be on **Tuesday 12 Dec**.



**Winners of the 100 Plus Club November Draw are:** 1<sup>st</sup> Prize £25 – Georgina Curtis, 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize £15 – Oisín Tanner, 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize £10 – Delysia Balhatchet. Please collect your winnings from the Sacristy. New members are always welcome and Membership Forms can be found in OLOL church porch. Completed forms should be returned to the Parish Office. Thank you for supporting this Draw as all profits go to church funds.



**We need able-bodied volunteers** to help Sisters Sheema and Theresa to pack and move all items in the convent buildings from now till 29 Jan. Anyone who is interested, please contact Sister Sheema by email or telephone on: [Sheema.dhas@stmarthasconvent.org.uk](mailto:Sheema.dhas@stmarthasconvent.org.uk) or 07760 56 54 95.



**Poinsettias:** It is important to make OLOL church look beautiful at Christmas by decorating the Altar with poinsettias, as we did last year. Please place your order as soon as possible by picking up an Order Form from the OLOL church porch and returning your completed form together with the money, to the Parish Office, by **Sunday 10 Dec**. You can buy one or two plants (which cost £10 a plant), in memory of a loved one & collect it after Christmas to keep in your home. If you want an order form to be delivered, please ring/email Fidelma Ormiston: [fidelma\\_ormiston@hotmail.com](mailto:fidelma_ormiston@hotmail.com), 07817 966349.



**Two singing classes at St. Patrick's starting in January:**  
**1.** A weekly **Singing Mamas** class 10–11.30am Wednesdays, social, singing for ladies with or without children, followed by tea and biscuits. Leader is Laura. There will be a weekly charge. Starting 10 Jan.  
**2.** On Thursday mornings from 18 Jan our **Varndean singing class** resumes 11.30am until 1pm with a new tutor; to join, contact Debra [dem@varndean.ac.uk](mailto:dem@varndean.ac.uk). Prices are very low for "concessions".



**CELEBRATE Advent Online Family Activity pack:** The Advent pack is full of wonderful things for families to do, pray, read and watch together. It also features the new CELEBRATE Advent Matchbox Manger – a really lovely way to help children prepare their hearts for Jesus during Advent. To download the pack for free, visit the CELEBRATE Trust website and click on CELEBRATE@HOME.



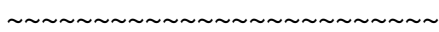
**Free Christmas Concert** at Holy Cross Church, Woodingdean, on **Sunday 3 Dec** at 3pm with the Brighton Early Music Festival Consort of Voices, Ashdown Consort of Viols and Children from Rudyard Kipling Primary School.



**Christmas Market** at Holy Cross Church, Woodingdean, on **Saturday 9 Dec** from 11am to 3pm with Christmas Bake-Off Competition and free Wreath Making Workshop run by Woodingdean Wilderness Group. Entries for the Christmas Bake-Off must be submitted by 11.30am on the day for judging. There are three categories: 6 mince pies; a celebration cake; and children's biscuits.



**Monks in the City Dec 2023:** On **Tuesday 12 Dec**, Abbot Christopher Jamison OSB will give a talk on "Finding the Language of Grace" from 7.30pm to 9pm in the Fitzherbert Community Hub. The last Midday Stillness at 12noon on a Friday will take place on **8 Dec** and will resume on **5 Jan**.



**The Parish Office** is open to parishioners on **Fridays** from 8.30am to 12noon.