

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

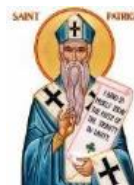


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OLOL Church is usually open each day until 5pm.

Day	Time	Place	Mass	Intention
Sat am	10.00am	OLOL	St Ambrose	Intention available
Sat eve	6.30pm	OLOL	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b> 	Thanksgiving for Teresa & Leao Pires RIP
<b>Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	9.00am 10.30am	St P OLOL		People of the Parish Just & lasting peace in the Middle East
Mon	9.30am 11.30am	OLOL OLOL	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	Thanksgiving for Celia Pirès Funeral Mass: Derek Griffiths
Tue	9.30am	OLOL		Welfare of Beth John & family
Wed				<b>No public Mass today</b>
Thur	9.30am	OLOL	Our Lady of Guadalupe	Sean Flanagan RIP
Fri	9.30am	OLOL	St Lucy	Peter O'Flinn
Sat am	10.00am	OLOL	St John of the Cross	Intention available
Sat eve	6.30pm	OLOL	<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b> 	John Wilson RIP
<b>Sun 15<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	9.00am 10.30am 3.00pm	St P OLOL OLOL		Jane Hale (reception into the Church) People of the Parish Reconciliation Service

**Confessions at OLOL – Saturday after 10am Mass & 5.45-6.15pm. Tuesday 10.00-10.30am**

**Divine Mercy devotions and Sunday Readings reflection: Fridays at 10am at OLOL**

**Hymns for 8<sup>th</sup> Dec at OLOL: Entrance hymn** – O come, O come Emmanuel (112); **Offertory** – Prepare ye the way of the Lord; **Communion** – On Jordan's bank (94), In the bleak mid-winter (144); **Exit hymn** – The Angel Gabriel (113)

**Mass bookings are now organised by Fr Stephen and not via the office.** Speak directly to him to book a Mass or send him an email. If you want a particular date it is best to book well in advance. Please continue to use the current forms.

**Funeral Mass:** For **Derek Griffiths RIP** on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 11.30am at OLOL. Of your charity, please pray for him and his family at this time.

**Ecumenical Services in Advent** at OLOL with St Margaret's: Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 3pm, Nine Lessons & Carols

**Advent Reconciliation Service:** Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 3pm at OLOL (3 priests available)

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

**Please pray** for all our sick parishioners who are in nursing homes or housebound especially for John Petty, Sophie Reilly, John Heal, Sandra Waugh, Cherie Pay, Teresa Ford, Geraldine Lewis, Peter Hogan, Sr. Angela, Rosemary Gill, Asahi Religa, Keith Francis, Canon Oliver Heaney, Teresa Curtis, David Iddiols, Christine Talbot, Beau Harvey, Ann and Brian Turner, John Chapman, Pat Turner and Norah Grey. Please let the Parish Office know if you would like a name added.

Might someone be able to assist a **young person to go to Lourdes** as a helper? It costs about £800. If you could help, even a little, please speak to Fr Stephen in confidence.

**The clergy Christmas Offering** makes up a substantial part of any priest's income. Your generosity is much appreciated. Offerings can be made online (referencing Christmas Offering), contactless or via the usual collection baskets. You can also use the parish Gift Aid envelopes.

**Resonance concert:** 1pm, OLOL, Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December. The kitchen will be open before and after for refreshments.



### Christmas Mass Times

#### **Christmas Eve**

4.30pm: Carols at OLOL

5.00pm: Vigil Mass esp for families at OLOL

10.30pm: Mass of the Night at OLOL

#### **Christmas Day**

8.30am Readings & Carols at St Patrick's

9.00am: Mass of the Dawn at St Patrick's

10.30am: Mass of the Day at OLOL



**LOLO Grand Christmas Draw:** Prizes worth £500! Tickets £2 each. Draw will take place on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024 after Mass. Prizes listed in OLOL Church Hall.

### St. Patrick's news



**The Line Dance on 29<sup>th</sup> November** was great fun and we made a profit of £320. Thanks to the people who came, danced and supported, the raffle team and

donors, the cooks and furniture movers, and above all Julie and her husband who provided the music and calling for the dancing! Lovely to see many youngsters come! We will be donating £100 to Lifelines.



Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>, from 11.30am to 1pm **you are invited to our 'open' singing class at St Patrick's.** Pop in or stay the time, join

in or just listen. It's a relaxed Varndean singing class led by Nell Howe. Carols and Christmas songs, mulled wine and spiced apple juice to warm you up and some nibbles. Free but small donations welcome.



**Our final film of 2024** (on 16<sup>th</sup> December) is a 'must come' for any Brightonians! Good fun for everyone

however. It is 'Penny Points to Paradise' with Peter Sellars, Harry Secombe and many well known actors of the 1950's. Don't miss this special showing with its views of Brighton and Hove as it was! Plenty of laughs and slapstick as well. 2pm start. Admission free but donations appreciated. Tea and carols after. All welcome! frances.low@ntlworld.com or any one from St. P's committee for more information. Thank you for your support and encouragement for the film club. We are now 'dark' for the Christmas break. Back on Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> January (a 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday this time) at 2pm.



### NBCW news:

#### **International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women** – along with

Caritas and Safe in Faith, the NBCW are encouraging 16 Days of Activism with small actions you can take that can help vulnerable people in our communities.

**Advent Reflections on Prayer** (via Zoom) 7.30-8.30pm Wednesdays 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> December. For more info see the NBCW website.

**The Synod Assembly Final Document** working translation in English is available on [www.synod.va](http://www.synod.va).

**YEAR OF JUBILEE 2025** – see the CBCEW website to find out more. To share your parish/organisation's news or further info on the above contact Sue Petritz ([nbcw@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:nbcw@abdiocese.org.uk)).



### More money counters needed at OLOL Church:

We need more volunteers, on rotation (one pair each week), to do weekly money counting. It is mostly notes so takes maximum 1 hour. Full training will be given. Please see Carmel Stevenson in the Parish Office or send an e-mail to [rottingdean@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:rottingdean@abdiocese.org.uk). Thank you very much.



### 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.



### RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) course:

The course has now started but it is not too late to join. If anyone is interested in becoming a Catholic and learning more about the faith, please contact the office for further information. Sr. Sheema is running the course this year.



### Winners of the November 100 Plus Club Draw are:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize - £25 Margaret McCabe, 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize - £15 Stuart Felsted, 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize - £10 Maureen Ryan. Please collect your winnings from the Sacristy.



### Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January: "Come and Explore your Faith"

led by Sister Irene. An opportunity to come and share and deepen your faith over a cup of tea or coffee between 2pm and 3pm on this date. The first discussion group will take place in OLOL Church Hall.



### Confirmation preparation:

Interested in getting confirmed? Are there questions about your faith you'd like to explore? Our next Confirmation programme starts January 2025 and is aimed at those in Years 10 to 13 (e.g. 14 years or over) from this parish. Please contact Carmel in our Parish Office or speak to Fr. Stephen Hardaker for more information. Enrolment forms are available at the back of the church and on our website.

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**The Parish Office is open to parishioners on Fridays from 10am to 12noon.**