

# ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM

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**Pentecost Sunday**

**30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup> May 2020**

**Readings: Parish Mass Book Year A, Volume 1:** Page 288: Acts 2:1-11; Psalm 103; 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23



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*The Parish Office is closed until further notice*

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### Protecting your Privacy:

In compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) which became effective in May 2018, the Parish requires your permission to hold your data for Parish/Diocesan use. You can read our full privacy policy on

[www.rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy)

### MASS

There will be no public Mass for the foreseeable future. Mass will, however, be said every day in private. If you wish to offer a Mass intention, please email [Feltham.rcdow.org.uk](mailto:Feltham.rcdow.org.uk) or call Fr. John on 0787 905 8732



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Dear Friends,

I am almost certain that most of you who are reading this have been both baptised and confirmed. The gifts of the Holy Spirit were bestowed upon us when we received these sacraments and everything we need for our divine lives (the life of God in our souls) was given to us in seed form to be nurtured so we can come to the fullness of life in Christ.

I don't know how many languages are spoken within our parish here at St Lawrences but I'm guessing its quite a few, but language on its own is not always an effective method of communication. Even those of us who only speak one language sometimes struggle to communicate and find difficulty in finding common ground with those who feel a different approach is required.

We live in unprecedented times, and dare I suggest times that transcend languages. Surely at this time rather than at any other time we must stand as humanity and preach the language of co-operation rather than competition, or as it would have been previously called faith, hope and charity. Which of course are themselves are a virtue and virtue is a gift of the Holy Spirit.

On the day of the ascension of Our Lord, when the disciples looked up into the sky, I wonder what they must have been thinking. Ten days later the Holy Spirit descended upon them and the church was born. From these humble beginnings with no money and no infrastructure, we are today (I believe) living on a planet where about one in every seven people is a Catholic.

It is only by the power of the Holy Spirit, gifted to us almost two thousand years ago that this has become possible and of course when we visit places such as Walsingham or Fatima it is great to feel part of something quite special. Equally true though, is that right here in Feltham the Holy Spirit works within us. Every time we undertake a charitable act, and that might be as simple as picking up the phone to another parishioner to check if they are OK, or getting some shopping for a self-isolating neighbour we are strengthened and inspired by the Holy Spirit, and every time we are inspired to pray we are being guided by the Holy Spirit. Remember prayer is the glue that bonds us all together.

Have a blessed week.

*Deacon Colin*

Mass and other liturgies live streamed from Westminster Cathedral are now available to watch at [www.churchservices.tv/westminster](http://www.churchservices.tv/westminster)

Are you living alone? Are you over 70? If you need to chat or need a little support please contact Fr. John on 0787 905 8732.

**Can you help?** Do you have time to support our parish with some volunteering. Please call Annie (Baker) for more details on 0208 707 2911

**A Message from Seema Malhotra our MP**

If you know of anyone who might need a hot meal, food, medicines, shopping, or are experiencing financial or employment issues please contact her office by email at [seema.malhotra.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:seema.malhotra.mp@parliament.uk) or by phone on 0207 219 8957.

**REST IN PEACE**

We pray for the repose of the souls and those who have died recently:

**Jose Capelo, Rose Dennehy, Thelma Rochester, Michael Nsiah, Malcolm Preston, David Edwards, Isabella Frost and all who have died with the**

**Pandemic** Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Please keep all their families who mourn them in your prayers.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sat 30	Holy Souls
Sun 31	People of the Parish Barbara May Light (RIP)
Mon.1	People of the Parish
Tues 2	Ann Pendleton (RIP)
Wed 3	Alria Botelho in 10 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Thanksgiving
Thurs 4	People of the Parish
Fri 5	Deceased members of the O'Hanlon Family
Sat 6	People of the Parish Intention of Michael, Amanda, Danny, Pauline and the McCarthy Family
Sun 7	Carol Narsi Anniversary (RIP) Intentions of the Godinho Family
Sanctuary Lamp: The Hurley Family	

**Remember, Mass is said every day in private. If you wish to offer a Mass intention, please telephone Fr. John on 0787 905 8732.**

Dear Friends

Thank you so much for your response to our appeal to help with our parish funds by paying through standing order; cash or cheque. If you would like to take advantage of the standing order facility we have in place, our parish bank details are:

**HSBC Bank:** St Lawrence Feltham (or Westminster Roman Catholic Diocese Trustee St Lawrence Feltham)

Sort code: **40-05-20** – Account No: **71095528**

**Thank you for your continued generosity.**

**FR. JOHN AND FR. JOHN LOUIS**

**REFLECTION- PENTEOST PRAYERS  
COME HOLY SPIRIT**

For the babies who were to be baptised and all our children who were unable to receive their 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion (because of the lockdown). May the Holy Spirit always be their helper and guide – **Come Holy Spirit**

We pray for our young people who have prepared for the Sacrament of Confirmation and have not yet received it. May the Holy Spirit fill them with wonder and awe.  
**Come Holy Spirit**

For our couples who were unable to receive the Sacrament of Marriage. May the Holy Spirit pour into their hearts the fire of love, - **Come Holy Spirit**

For all who are sick and are housebound and for those who are isolating. May the Holy Spirit be their healer and comforter. – **Come Holy Spirit**

We remember with love all who have died recently and whose anniversaries occur around this time. May the Holy Spirit give them the light of eternal life.  
**Come Holy Spirit**

We pray for a few moments in silence for our own intentions and for the intentions of the whole parish.

The Holy Spirit descended upon Mary who said 'yes' to God and we joyfully pray  
**'Hail Mary'** .....

Loving Father you sent the Holy Spirit to renew the face of the earth. Grant us what we need as we make our prayers through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**MESSAGE FROM CARDINAL NICHOLS**

The public celebration of Mass in Church will not before July – Churches are likely to be opened for 'individual prayer sometime in June. 'Individual prayer' in the Government's understanding, excludes any formal summons, service, liturgy or blessing. It cannot involve the participation of any minister, nor would it permit a group of individuals to pray in common, e.g. in public recitation of the Rosary. This will be a central condition of opening and crucial in our adherence to regulations on social gathering and distances.

There are important preparations that can begin now such as gathering a team of stewards, preparing the church, thinking about our cleaning routines etc.

**If would like to volunteer in assisting our church when we re-open and you are not over age 70 years and with no pre-existing health condition, self-isolating or shielding please contact Fr. John on 0787 905 8732.**