

# This week at St Lawrence's

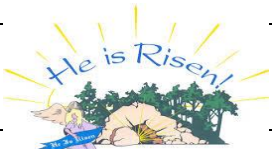


4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> April 2015

Easter Sunday  
(Missal Page 251– YEAR B Vol. 1)

Acts 10:34, 37-43; Psalm 117; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9  
(Easter Vigil – Page 216)

Second Sunday of Easter (Missal Page 255): Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 117;  
1 John 5:1-6; John 20:29



Dear Friends

## An Easter Blessing

Through the resurrection of his Son  
God has redeemed you and made you his children.

May he bless you with joy.

The Redeemer has given you lasting freedom.

May you inherit his everlasting life.

By faith you rose with him in baptism.

May your lives be holy,  
so that you will be united with him for ever.

May almighty God bless you,  
the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**With our love and prayers for a very Happy Easter.**

**Fr Chris & Fr Fortunato**

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## SACRAMENTS

### RCIA CONGRATULATIONS

We offer our warmest congratulations to Claus Bedenbecker, Hiranthi Keshani Corea, Thomas Anthony Davies and Regina Chineze Offiah who celebrate their full initiation into the Catholic Church.

## PARISH NOTICES

### EASTER COLLECTION

The traditional Easter offering for the Clergy of the parish, thank you for your support.

### LENTEN ALMS

If you have decided to make a contribution to Caritas as part of your Lenten Alms, please hand your gift in one of the Lenten Alms envelopes if you already haven't done so. You can get more information about Caritas (and make an online donation) at [www.rcdow.org.uk/caritas](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/caritas).

### COFFEE MORNING

Annie Burke and Mary Crawley will be hosting a Coffee morning on **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April** after the 9am and 11am Masses. The proceeds will go towards the New Parish Centre. You are all invited to drop in for a cuppa. For offers for help and donations of cakes, bric-a-brac please contact Annie or Mary after Mass.

### REPOSITORY (CHURCH SHOP)

We are seeking volunteers to help in the Repository especially at the 11am Mass. If you would like to volunteer please contact the Parish Office or speak to Fr Chris or Fr Fortunato.

There is a good selection of First Holy Communion and Confirmation Cards and Gifts, Birthday, Get Well, Sympathy Cards, books and lots more. Come and have a look.

### CALLING ALL THOSE....

...who are celebrating their 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday this year. Please see Fr Chris or Fr Fortunato or contact the Parish Office as soon as possible.

### PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

There are still a few boxes awaiting collection. If you are on the Planned Giving Scheme and haven't collected your new box, please do so this weekend. If anyone would like to join the Planned Giving Scheme using envelopes or standing order for your weekly offertory contribution please contact the Parish Office.

### PASTORAL CARE

If you know of someone (a neighbour, a friend, a member of your family) who is unwell at home or in hospital or unable to get to Church any longer, and if you think they would value a visit from one of the Priests or Sisters, please let Florie in the Parish Office know. They may be out of sight but they shouldn't be out of mind.

### ST LAWRENCE'S PRAYER GROUP

The Prayer Group meet every Thursday at 7.30pm in the Prayer Room. All are welcome to attend.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

*Fr Gerry will be celebrating his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April with a special Mass here at 12 noon, followed by a big party in St Lawrence's School.* We will be having a bring and share lunch for Fr Gerry's party. There are food lists and helpers lists in the porch. If you need further information please contact Bridget Brinkley.

## CAR PARKING

Parking around the Church, Presbytery and Parish Centre on weekdays and at weekends is very limited. Parking is not permitted on the yellow grid boxes at any time. It is only allowed in the designated marked parking spaces and in the few available spaces around the Parish Centre. Once these spaces are filled no more cars are permitted to park. There is to be no double parking or parking down the centre of the car park. Please think before you park. Priority parking should always be given to our elderly and less able parishioners, particularly at weekday and weekend Masses. Given the limited availability of parking spaces at St Lawrence's, parishioners are encouraged to use alternative local parking facilities.

## OTHER

### NURSERY SCHOOL FORM SIGNING

Fr Chris will be available to sign Nursery School Forms on the following Tuesdays from 3.45pm to 5.00pm: **April 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>**. Please come with your child and wait in Church and bring all the necessary paperwork with you.

### DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

Booking forms are available for the 5<sup>th</sup> diocesan pilgrimage to the Holy Land. **3<sup>rd</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> November 2015**. Price £1495 per person sharing. £275 single supplement. Full board. Contact Gerald Daly 020 7798 9173; [geralddaly@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:geralddaly@rcdow.org.uk)

## THANK YOU

### CAFOD

A very heartfelt thank you to all parishioners who have contributed in any way to a wonderful £2870.36 collected so far in this period of UK Aid price matching funded by the UK Government. This period will come to an end on 17<sup>th</sup> May, but we still have time to take advantage of the Government's generosity.

	Collected	With Price Matching
CAFOD Family Fast Day	£2,259.67	£4,519.34
First Friday Teas/Coffees	£101.29	£202.58
Marmalade Sale	£38.50	£77
Soup Lunch 14 March	53.90	£107.80
Other Donations	£417.00	£834.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£2,870.36</b>	<b>£5,740.72</b>

We will be collecting the CAFOD money boxes which many of you took at the start of Lent. Please hand these in to the Parish Office in the next few weeks.

There will be a table-top plant sale on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May with an opportunity to buy plants, herbs, vegetables and other goodies. If anyone has any unwanted plants or gifts that you would like to donate please contact Theresa.

### EASTER FLOWERS

Once again we had a very generous collection of £337.54. Thank you.

## PARISH CENTRE BUILDING FUND UPDATE

**Our Target £250,000.00**

No. of pledges as at 31/3/15:	134
Total amount pledged as at 31/3/15:	£59,766.96
Bucket Appeal:	£571.09
Total amount banked as at 31/3/15:	£25,708.16

## Mass intentions and other services this week:

<b>Saturday 4<sup>th</sup></b> HOLY SATURDAY	12.30-14.00 <b>20.00</b>	Polish Blessing of Easter Baskets (Swiecenie Pokarmow) <b>The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night</b>
<b>+ Sunday 5<sup>th</sup></b> EASTER SUNDAY	<b>09.00</b> <b>11.00</b> <b>13.00</b> <b>18.00</b>	<b>Celebrant's Intention</b> <b>Celebrant's Intention</b> <b>Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)</b> <b>Celebrant's Intention</b>
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup></b> Monday within the Octave of Easter	09.15 <b>09.30</b> <b>13.00</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Alex Soares RIP (First Anniversary)</b> <b>Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)</b>
<b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup></b> Tuesday within the Octave of Easter	09.15 <b>09.30</b> 10.00	Morning Prayer <b>Michael Gilbert RIP</b> Novena to Our Lady
<b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup></b> Wednesday within the Octave of Easter	09.15 <b>09.30</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Gabriel D'Souza (Birthday Thanksgiving)</b>
<b>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup></b> Thursday within the Octave of Easter	09.15 <b>09.30</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Maureen Dethridge in Thanksgivng</b>
<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup></b> Friday within the Octave of Easter	09.15 <b>09.30</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Joseph Perera RIP</b>
<b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup></b> Saturday within the Octave of Easter	11.00 11.45 <b>12.00</b> 17.00 <b>18.00</b>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation Benediction <b>Tony D'Mello RIP</b> Sacrament of Reconciliation <b>Intentions of the O'Gorman Family</b>
<b>+ Sunday 12<sup>th</sup></b> SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY	<b>09.00</b> <b>11.00</b> <b>13.00</b> <b>18.00</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b> <b>Gabriel &amp; Victoria Dias RIP</b> <b>Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)</b> <b>Holy Souls - Canha Family</b>

### Sanctuary Lamp: Raphael Omoniyodo (Intention)

### Thank you for your generosity in last week's Offertory Collection:

28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> March: Envelopes £1274.15 Loose £974.04 Standing Orders £488.25 Total: £2,687.44  
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**Sunday Mass Times: Saturday 6 pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 9 am, 11 am, 1pm (Polish) & 6 pm**  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) - Saturday 11am & 5pm**

