



St Lawrence Catholic Church

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Third Sunday of Easter

14th/15th April 2018

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year B, Volume 1: Page 258: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Psalm 4; 1 John 2:1-5; Luke 24:35-48

Next Week: Third Sunday of Easter: Page 261: Acts: 4:8-12; Psalm 117; 1 John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18

Dear Fellow Parishioners

After seven very happy years working here at St. Lawrence's, I have offered Fr. John my resignation and will stand down as Pastoral Assistant in June this year. I am very grateful to so many of you for your support and affection during my time working here. I owe particular thanks to Fr. Gerry and Sr. Mary who believed in me and generously nurtured my faith so that I could work among you. I am also grateful to Sr. Monica for inviting me into HM Feltham Young Offenders Institute over 14 years ago. I have been in and out of prison since then, not something we recommend to the boys of course. I was not actively looking to leave St. Lawrence's when I was asked to apply for the role as Catholic Chaplain at the prison earlier this year and was subsequently offered the post. I will remain a parishioner of St. Lawrence's and will continue to be part of the parish life in a different (less bossy) way!!

Please do pray for me, the chaplaincy team at HM Feltham Young Offenders Institute and the young boys that reside there as I will pray for you and our parish of St. Lawrence's.

With kindest regards

Bridget

Bridget, thank you for all your work in the parish over the years. It has been a joy working with you. Thank you for the help you have given me. I hope you will be able to help out from time to time. You will always be welcome.

All of us in the parish owe you a great debt of gratitude for your witness of love and service. You were always willing to go far beyond what was asked of you – and always with a smile.

Every blessing and best wishes for the future.

Fr. John

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS

A warm welcome to Izabella Amelia Millington who was baptised during this weekend and we offer our warmest congratulations to her family.

CONFIRMATION

The next session for Group 2 is on **Tuesday 17th April** at 7.15pm. Parents are also requested to attend this meeting.

HOLY COMMUNION

Please keep in your prayers our 88 children who have now completed their preparation for First Holy Communion and will be receiving the sacrament in late April/early May.

PARISH NOTICES

U.C.M.

The UCM will meet on **Monday 16th April at 7.30pm** for the beginning of the Summer Term. Let us exchange talk of our long Easter break.

NURSERY ADMISSIONS 2018

Fr John will be available to see families on **Tuesday 17th April from 3.30pm to 4.30pm**. To make an appointment to see him please put your name on one of the lists on the noticeboard in the Church porch. Make sure you bring your child with you for the appointment, along with their Baptism Certificate and the Certificate of Catholic Practice.

CONNECT@FELTHAM

Connect@Feltham provides a safe place for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities who would like to take part in Art, Music and Dance activities as well as learning basic cooking skills. The first meeting will take place on **Tuesday 17th April** starting with cookery from 10.30am to 12.30pm and Drama from 2.00pm to 4.00pm. Contact Tiziana Mecocci on 020 8202 3999 for further information.

COFFEE MORNING

There will be a Coffee Morning on **Sunday 22nd April** in aid of the Parish Centre. Offers of help or donations of cakes would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Helen Hurley for further information.

LINE DANCING

The next Line Dancing session will be on **Monday 23rd April** at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. £4.00 per session. All welcome.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 2018-2019

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 as soon as possible. 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.

CHEWING GUM

There has been an increase in chewing gum being imbedded in the carpet in the Church porch, this was more noticeable after the Easter services and it is very difficult to remove. Parishioners please discard your chewing gum into appropriate bins before coming onto Church grounds/premises.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

In addition to the usual Eucharistic Adoration on the morning of **Saturday 2nd June**, there will also be Eucharistic Adoration from 5pm-6pm that day being the eve of the Feast of Corpus Christi.

OTHER

THE WEYBRIDGE MALE VOICE CHOIR...

...will be performing an exciting and varied programme of spiritual, hymns, devotional pieces, traditional songs and ballads and choral arrangements of songs from musical shows and current popular music scene, all performed in the spine-tingling four part harmony which is unique to traditional male voice choral singing. Tickets: £12 including complimentary glass of Prosecco and canapés. Proceeds in aid of the Parish Centre Building Fund. Tickets now on sale from the Parish Office or after Mass.

Date: Friday 1st June 7.30pm to 9.30pm

Drinks Reception in Parish Centre from 6.30pm

PRIEST TRAINING FUND

Next weekend is Good Shepherd Sunday, the day we pray for priests and for vocations to the priesthood. The annual collection for the Priest Training Fund will also take place next weekend. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently 45 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 28 of whom are for our own Diocese, and last year eight men ordained to the priesthood to serve as our future priests. This fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your generous donation helps ensure we can support these men who are called to be like Christ the Good Shepherd. Donation leaflets are available in the back of the church. Please take one home, read the information, and bring it back next weekend with your donation. Please continue to pray for vocations and for our priests. You can donate online anytime at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 14 th	10.30 11.00 11.00 11.45 12.00 13.30 17.00 18.00	Baptism of Izabella Amelia Millington Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sacrament of Reconciliation Benediction Stanley Lewis RIP REQUIEM MASS – MARIE BRUMWELL RIP No Sacrament of Reconciliation Emily Theobalds RIP
Sun 15 th	09.00 11.00 13.00 18.00	Jill and Tony Smith RIP Margaret Whatmough RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) People of the Parish
Mon 16 th	09.30	Mary Bridget Brady RIP
Tues 17 th	09.30	Eileen Marks RIP (Anniversary)
Wed 18 th	09.30	Kita De Souza in Thanksgiving (16 th Birthday)
Thurs 19 th	09.30	Celebrant's Intention
Fri 20 th	09.30	Peggy Brindley RIP
Sat 21 st	11.00 11.00 11.45 12.00 12.45 15.00 17.00 18.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sacrament of Reconciliation Benediction Patricia Balbontin RIP (Confirmation of Shania Marie Stokes and Simon Thomas O'Donnell during Mass) Baptisms of Jonah Patrick Michael Webb, Piotr Staszynski, Dylan John Prince and Yommerenya Siman Silva Mass in Tagalog for the Filipino Community Sacrament of Reconciliation Emily Theobalds RIP
Sun 22 nd	09.00 11.00 13.00 14.30 18.00	People of the Parish For the intentions of the Ballantyne Family Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) Mass led by the African Community Frederik (Intention)
Sanctuary Lamp: Marie Booth (Intentions)		

Thank you for your generosity in last week's collection:

7-8 April: Envelopes £889.30; Loose: £1,021.07;
Standing Orders: £845.75 **Total: £2,756.12**

Sunday Mass: 6pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 9am, 11am, 1pm (Polish) & 6pm.

Weekday Mass: Monday-Friday 9.30am; Saturday 12noon;

Morning Prayer: Monday-Friday 9.15am,

Novena to Our Lady: Tuesdays 10am,

Exposition and Benediction: Saturdays 11am,

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):

Saturday 11am and 5pm