

ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM

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Fifth Sunday of Easter



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27th/28th April 2024

Year B Vol 1:- (Page 264): Acts 9:26-31; Psalm 21; 1 John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8

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MASS TIMES

Sunday Mass: 8.00am, 9.30am and 11.00am

Monday to Friday Mass: 9.30am; Saturday Morning: 11.00am

Saturday Morning: Confessions: 9.30am to 10.45am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,

Saturday Evening: 5.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday

Ethnic Chaplaincies: Polish Mass every Sunday 1.00pm, Ukrainian Mass 2nd Sunday 2.30pm & 4th Saturday 7.00pm; Malayalam Mass 3rd Sunday 2.30pm; Mass in Tagalog 4th Saturday 3pm; Mass led by Nigerian Chaplaincy 4th Sunday 2.30pm.

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STAY CONNECTED

In the 1st Reading today we hear how St. Paul was a lucky man to have Barnabas at his side to speak up for him. A question we might ask ourselves is who has been a Barnabas in my life? Who has loved me in spite of my sinfulness, faults and failings? Who has given me the courage to speak out boldly for my faith?

In the 2nd Reading the theme of boldness is presented to us again. Our love is not just to be mere talk but something real and active. We are called to love in a radical way. Love can be hard graft and sacrifice. At our funerals at St. Lawrence's, I hear how the deceased loved ones have made so many sacrifices for their families. Life can be a struggle at times and the commandments are a signpost for us on our life's journey.

More than once Jesus says in today's Gospel 'remain in me'. He wants us to remain 'connected' to him. It is when we are close and intimate with Jesus that we can bear much fruit. The invitation is to stay close to Jesus, through prayer and good works, and then all manner of things are possible for us.

Our relationship with Jesus, the true vine, strengthens us to be disciples, who bear good fruit and give glory to God. This relationship is strengthened when we read Scripture, when we pray, and especially when we receive the Body and Blood of Christ in Holy Communion.

"People see the Gospel and our lives, let them read our lives" (Pope Francis)

FR. JOHN

SATURDAY MORNING CHANGES

There will be **no** Eucharistic Adoration on **Saturday 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th May**. Instead there will be special First Holy Communion Masses at 11am and 2pm.

On Saturday **June 15th and 22nd**, we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation at Special Masses at 11am and 2pm when the Episcopal Vicar will preside. Again on these days there will be no Eucharistic Adoration.

Parishioners are welcome to attend but please note it will be a busy time. Confessions will take place from 9.30am-10.30am.

SPECIAL MASS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

The next Mass will be on **Sunday 5th May at 2.30pm** in the Parish Centre followed by a tea party. If you require a lift please speak to Fr John.

OUR PARISH - OUR RESPONSIBILITY

Please read through this leaflet, attached to the newsletter, on the status of the Parish finances, what we have done, what we hope to do and how you can help.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND

Thank you for your generosity to the Priest Training Fund collection last weekend. It is not too late to make a donation if you wish. Envelopes are available in the back of the church, or by contacting the parish office. Please continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood. For more information, or to make a donation, visit

www.rcdow.org.uk/donations

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

WALK WITH JESUS (SUNDAY SCHOOL)

The next sessions will be on **Sunday 5th, 12th & 19th May** after the 9.30am Mass. **There is no session on Sunday 21st April.**

CONFIRMATION

Group 2 have their Retreat Days on **Sunday 28th April** in the Parish Centre after the 11am Mass, which you to attend.

SR KATHERINE O'REILLY RIP

It is with great sadness that we learnt of the death of Sr Katherine O'Reilly on 12 April. Sr Katherine was very involved in the life of this parish during her time here, setting up prayer groups, faith sharing groups, catechesis, mentoring, more importantly - diligently visiting the sick in their homes or in local care homes every week, providing a good listening ear when needed and much more. She will be dearly missed.

Sr Katherine also served as Parish Sister at Our Lady and St Christopher in Cranford for over 10 years from the mid 1990's.

Eternal rest grant unto the soul of our dear Sr Katherine, O Lord and may your perpetual light shine on her always. May she rest in peace.

Father in heaven please hold Sr Nora, Sr Monica, Sr Katherine's family and, all who mourn her, close to your consoling heart at this difficult time.

ST LAWRENCE'S SCHOOL PARKING & ACCESS

The Diocese and DHP started work at school on **26th April** to improve the classrooms. The work will be carried out in three continuous phases. The contractor will have a compound by the gates to the church/school. The gates will not be able to be opened for Church from **26th April until September**. **The school car park will also be closed during this time so please park at Feltham Leisure West and walk round.**

The Church car park is for Disabled drivers with a valid badge and for drop off only. No parking on The Green in front of the barrier you are blocking our neighbours. Anyone caught parking incorrectly will be named and shamed.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS AND ADORATION

On **Friday 3rd May**, devotions to the Sacred Heart and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will begin after the 9.30am Mass.

REPOSITORY

If you are looking for gifts for First Holy Communion or Confirmation gifts have a look in our Repository. There will be having a table top display of First Holy Communion items this weekend.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 27	9.30am-10.45am 11.00am 3.00pm 5.00pm 7.00pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession Sr Monica Killeen (Intention) Mass in Tagalog Souls of the Fernandes & Ribeiro Families RIP Mass in Ukrainian
✠ Sun 28	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 1.00pm 2.30pm	Fr Gerry Burke RIP Patricia Soares-Arakaki RIP (Birthday Remembrance) Rod Moore-Saxton in Thanksgiving – 84 th Birthday Mass in Polish (Msza sw) Nigerian Chaplaincy Mass
Mon 29	9.30am	Sr Katherine O'Reilly RIP
Tues 30	9.30am	Patricia Veronica Cole RIP
Wed 1 May	9.30am	John Hanrahan RIP (Anniversary)
Thurs 2	9.30am	Mary Dias in Thanksgiving – 3 rd B'day
Fri 3	9.30am	Kay Aherne RIP
Sat 4	9.30am-10.30am 11.00am 5.00pm	Confession FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Maria Filomena Gurjao RIP (30 th Anniversary)
✠ Sun 5	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 1.00pm 2.30pm	Margaret Harris RIP Manuel Goncalves Pita RIP Gerard Rooney RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw) Senior Citizens Mass in the Parish Centre

Sanctuary Lamp: Sr Katherine O'Reilly RIP

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Sr Katherine O'Reilly RIP, Brian Terry Murphy RIP, William Egglestone RIP, Jean Harvey RIP, Mary Anne Francis RIP, Joan Ngozi Nduba RIP, Sheila Ann (Pam) O'Connor RIP, Marian Ranialli RIP and Harry Baker RIP**

Sr Katherine O'Reilly RIP – Her Requiem Mass will take place at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Botwell Lane, Hayes UB3 2AB on **Wednesday 15 May 2024 at 12noon**. [Bus No. 90 from the High Street stops very close to the Church - the stop to alight is Hayes Town Centre]. Please let Sister Monica know if you plan to attend. Please keep in your prayers their families and all who mourn them.

COLLECTING ITEMS FOR CHARITY

If you have surplus old bibles, holy books (in good condition), rosaries, statues, icons please bring them to Church and give to Cathy Early. Her aunt helps at a charity that sends these items to countries all over the world that has a need for them.

FRIENDS CIRCLE (FORMER UCM)

The next meeting will be on **Monday 29th April** at 12.30pm in the Presbytery.

PARKING IN CHURCH

Please remember:

The Church car park is for Disabled Parishioners who have a valid Blue Badge clearly displayed. Access for drop off and collections only for everyone else.

Do not attempt to open the barrier, you are not authorised to open it.

-The school car park will be open at the weekend but once it is full, the barrier will come down. -Please park sensibly and responsibly.

The Green is a private road and you cannot park along there.

EASTER HAMPER RAFFLE

Congratulations to Mervyn Rosario our winner of the Easter Hamper.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

20-21 April: Loose: £1,322.30 Envelopes £225.20

Total: £1,547.50 Priest Training Fund: £796.77

Standing Orders/Online Donations March: £4312.60

Dona Offertory March: £1,457.00

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