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Twentieth Sunday of the Year

18th/19th August 2018

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year B, Volume 2: Page 120: Proverbs 9:1-6; Psalm 33; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58

Next Week: Twenty First Sunday of the Year: Page 123: Joshua 24:1-2; 15-18; Psalm 33; Ephesians 5:21-32; John 6:60-69



The Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ

The body and blood of Jesus is the life of the Lord, 'given to us'. This gift is for all times. A few weeks ago we heard the parable of the loaves and the fishes where Jesus fed the people. There was plenty left over. This is a sign of Jesus wanting to give his love for the life of the world for all time. His life, His death and His resurrection, are commemorated in a very real way at every Mass.

When a priest, deacon or minister gives communion, we are aware of the special moment this is for so many people. It is a moment of asking for help in life, for peace of mind, for the presence of the Lord. I am sure that many of us will recall that at a time of illness, the gift of grace we received when The Eucharist was brought to us.

In the Eucharist we deepen our relationship with Jesus, not mechanically but by becoming more and more like Him over the years. We meet God in this mysterious and dramatic way: God gives himself to us, and we try to shape our lives into a loving gift for God. In heaven there will be no Eucharist as we know it, because our bonding with God will by then be complete.

On **Saturday 6th October** there is a day of reflection here at St Lawrence's for all our Eucharistic ministers. Could I ask that all who serve our parish in this important ministry attend. I have placed a clipboard in the sacristy for you to sign and indicate if you are able to attend.

Have a blessed week.

Deacon Colin

SACRAMENTS

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2019 AND CHILDREN CURRENTLY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

If you missed returning your application form, there is still time. Please do so as soon as possible.

PARISH NOTICES

ST LAWRENCE SCHOOL CAR PARK

Apologies in advance as there may be disruption to access and parking in the school car park during the summer break. This is due to works being carried out in the school.

LINE DANCING

The next Line Dancing session will be on **Monday 20 August** at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. £4.00 per session. All welcome.

FOR THE FILIPINO COMMUNITY

There will **not** be a Mass in Tagalog next **Saturday 25th August at 3pm** as Fr Cirino is not available.

GOAN CHAPLAINCY DAY 2018

This event will take place on **Saturday 25th August** with Mass at 2.30pm at St George's Cathedral, Southwark SE1 7HY. The main celebrant will be Bishop Patrick Lynch Auxiliary Bishop for Southwark. Please see poster on notice board for details of celebrations taking place locally

FIRST DEATH ANNIVERSARY OF CARDINAL CORMAC

On the first anniversary of the death of Cardinal Cormac, **Saturday 1st September**, a memorial Mass will be celebrated at Westminster Cathedral at 12.30pm. Cardinal Vincent will preside and Mgr. Martin Hayes will preach. All are welcome

GOAN ASSOCIATION PILGRIMAGE TO AYLESFORD

A pilgrimage led by the Goan Chaplain, Fr Patrick D'Souza will take place on **Saturday 1st September** to the Friary, Aylesford Priory. The event will take place from 11am until 6pm. Please see poster for details of local pick up points.

GOOD NEWS

The long awaited **After School Club** will be opening at St Lawrence's School on **4th September 2018** from 3.30pm to 6.00pm. If you would like your child to attend please contact Julie or Sarah on 07971 994669 as soon as possible as places are limited. Email: Teddschildcare@gmail.com

SEPTEMBER 8TH – FEAST OF OUR LADY

Jo and Teresita of the Filipino Community invite you to join them for the **12 noon Mass on September 8th** to celebrate the feast of Our Lady's birthday followed by refreshments, praise and worship in the Parish Centre.

DAY OF REFLECTION FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

A Day of Reflection has been planned for all Eucharistic Ministers for **Saturday 6th October** starting with Mass at 12noon then proceeding to the Parish Centre for talks, reflection and questions. The day will end at 4.30pm. You are welcome to attend the Eucharistic Adoration at 11.00am which finishes with Benediction at 11.30am. There will also be an opportunity for Confession. Please bring a plate of finger food to share. Teas/coffees and soft drinks will be available.

DAY OF REFLECTION FOR READERS

A similar day has been planned for all Readers for **Saturday 10th November** starting with Mass at 12noon then proceeding to the Parish Centre for talks, reflection and back to Church for practice in reading and projection of voice ending at 4.30pm. You are welcome to attend the Eucharistic Adoration at 11.00am which finishes with Benediction at 11.30am. There will also be an opportunity for Confession. Please bring a plate of finger food to share. Teas/coffees and soft drinks will be available.

PILGRIMAGES

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF KNOCK, IRELAND

We are planning a pilgrimage to the Knock Shrine from **6th-9th September 2019**. The price per person is £499 including return transfer from Church, flight with hand luggage, all transfers, 3 nights hotel with breakfast and dinner. Single room supplement £100 for the 3 nights. Please see flyer on the noticeboard.

Booking Forms are now available in the porch. Please complete and return to Florie in the Parish Office. You need to have Travel Insurance in order to travel, the EHC card is not sufficient.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

The annual pilgrimage to Walsingham takes place on **Saturday 22nd September**. It will be led by Cardinal Vincent Nichols and other Auxiliary Bishops. The theme of the pilgrimage this year will centre on the World Meeting of Families in Dublin. There will be a special blessing for families and the family home. The day will include a pilgrim Mass, picnic lunch, rosary procession ending with prayers and Benediction in the Priory grounds. The cost per person is £20.00. Those who have expressed interest and signed your name, **to secure your seat please post your money in an envelope, clearly marked with your name and "WALSINGHAM", to Florie in the Parish Office.**

ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Open Day and Evening for Admission to Year 7 in 2019 will be held on **Thursday, 27th September 2018**, 8.45 am – 10.15 am, 11.00 am – 12.20 pm and 6.00 pm – 8.30 pm (tours last approximately 1 hour – no appointment necessary). Address by the Headteacher, James Mc Nulty at 6.45 pm and 7.30 pm. We look forward to welcoming you.

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. They are now on a summer break returning **September 4th**.

ST LAWRENCE PRAYER GROUP

The Prayer Group are now on their summer break and reconvene on **Thursday 13th September**.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 18 th	11.00 11.00 12.00 17.00 18.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sacrament of Reconciliation Deceased members of the O'Hanlon Family Sacrament of Reconciliation Deceased members of the Nguyen Family
Sun 19 th	09.00 11.00 13.00 18.00	David Edwards (Birthday Intention) Alice Deacon RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) People of the Parish
Mon 20 th	09.30	Noreen McHale (Get Well)
Tues 21 st	09.30	Margaret Haldane (Intention)
Wed 22 nd	09.30	Celebrant's Intention
Thurs 23 rd	09.30	Jeremiah & Brendan McGillicuddy RIP
Fri 24 th	09.30	Esther Kusi-Appiah RIP (Anniversary)
Sat 25 th	11.00 11.00 12.00 17.00 18.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sacrament of Reconciliation Eric & Marie Brumwell and Frank Stackpoole RIP Sacrament of Reconciliation Anita Calmiano RIP
Sun 26 th	09.00 11.00 13.00 14.30 18.00	People of the Parish Danladi Family in Thanksgiving Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) Mass led by the African Community Maureen & Patrick Murray RIP
Sanctuary Lamp: World Peace		

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

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

11-12 August: Envelopes £655.10; Loose: £969.28;
Standing Orders: £845.00 **Total: £1,624.38**