

# This week at St Lawrence's



24th/25th August 2013

Twenty First Sunday of the Year  
(Missal Page 127 – YEAR C)

Isaiah 66:18-21; Psalm 116; Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13; Luke 13:22-30

Twenty Second Sunday of the Year (Missal Page 130): Ecclesiasticus 3:17-20, 28-29; Psalm 67;

Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24; Luke 14: 1, 7-14



Dear Friends,

On a recent holiday to Spain I was very moved by the statues in the Churches I visited. Many of them were superb works of art in their own right – beautifully carved and decorated. I was reminded of the well known words from the Letter to the Hebrews '*since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses*'. Our Faith is historical, that is, it is firmly set in time and place; we share a common heritage with those who have gone before us, as well as with those with whom we live. Collaborating with the saints we are all called to witness to Christ, and to the Gospel. We are also called to hand the faith on to the next generation.

Over the past year I have been so grateful for the many ways in which you have witnessed to me about the joy and truth of the Catholic Faith. This has been through your evident faith and trust in God, personal encouragement, kindness, and humour. Now, as I prepare to leave for Allen Hall Seminary at the beginning of September, I thank you all for helping to make the past year such a rewarding time for me. My particular thanks go to Fr Chris for all that he has taught me, and for his great generosity. You are very blessed to have him as your Parish Priest.

I will continue to pray for you all. You will see me from time to time when I return for holidays. I look forward to those reunions. May God bless you all!

**Daniel Humphreys**

## Sunday Mass Times

Saturday 6 pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 9 am, 11 am & 6 pm  
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) - Saturday 11am & 5pm

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## SACRAMENTS

### CONFIRMATION

If you are in Year 9 or above and would like to be prepared to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2014 please register with Bridget Brinkley at one of the following times.

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>, Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September – 4.30pm to 6.30pm

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September – 4.30pm to 6.30pm

Please come to the Church where you will be asked to complete a registration form.

### ARE YOU INTERESTED IN EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

If you, or someone you know, would like to find out more about the Catholic faith or you would like to prepare to receive the Sacraments you missed as a child, please contact Bridget Brinkley at the parish office or by email [bridgetbrinkley@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:bridgetbrinkley@rcdow.org.uk).

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2013/14

If you have forgotten to register your child for the First Holy Communion programme, which begins on 10<sup>th</sup> September please contact Bridget at the parish office immediately to arrange a time to do so. Your child must be in year 3 in September to register.

## PARISH NOTICES

### FR PATRICK

We welcome Fr Patrick Mileham, Chaplain of Birmingham University, who will be celebrating our Masses with Fr Gerry during Fr Chris's summer holiday.

### ST LAWRENCE'S PRAYER GROUP

The Prayer Group will be taking a break for the summer during the month of August.

## WHAT'S COMING UP IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS

### September

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> – Parish Pastoral Council Meeting, 7.30pm

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> – Finance Committee Meeting, 6.30pm

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> – Children's Mass, 6pm

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> – CAFOD Cake and Coffee morning after 9am & 11am Masses

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> – Mass of Healing, 12 noon

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> – Fr Fortunato's welcome party, 12 noon

### October

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> – Tribute Band, 7.00pm

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> – Day of Prayer, 10.30am to 2.30pm (CAFOD Soup Lunch available)

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> – Children's Mass, 6pm

### November

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> – LIFE Coffee Morning (45<sup>th</sup> anniversary) after 9am & 11am Masses

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> – Blessing of Graves

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> – Parish Pastoral Council Meeting, 7.30pm

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> – New Parishioners' Mass, 6pm

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> – Children's Mass, 6pm

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> – Mass for the Bereaved, 6pm

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> – "Good Neighbour Day" part of Interfaith Week – Church & Parish Centre, 2-4pm

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> – Youth Mass, 6pm (*Year of Faith ends*)

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> – Advent Day of Prayer, 10.30am-2.30pm

### December

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> – Children's Mass, 11am

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> – Christingle Workshop, 2.30pm

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> – RAFA Band Christmas Concert for all the family, 7.30pm

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> – LIFE Annual Mince Pie sale after 9am & 11am Masses

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> – Lodge Brothers Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving, 3pm

## OTHER

### LIFE

The Life Pregnancy Care Centre at 20, Vicarage Farm Road, Hounslow are in need of prams/pushchairs for new born babies and first size very tiny baby clothes for small premature new born babies. If you have these and can donate them please call the Life Pregnancy Care Centre on 020 8570 7717 and leave a message or call Ann Burke. Your help would be much appreciated.

### MISSIO

Fr Ephraim Odhiambo MHM has sent a letter of thanks to the parish for the warm hospitality and welcome he received during his stay. He felt that the appeal was successful in raising awareness, thanking our existing members and welcoming the 72 new members. A very generous response. Well done!

### PETITION TO ASK POPE FRANCIS...

Currently there is no "Patron Saint for Sport". In the life of the Church, a Patron Saint promotes an activity into the Premier League of Pathways to God. The John Paul 2 Foundation 4 Sport (JP2F4S) has got the show on the road and Monsignor Vladimir Felzman, the Catholic Chaplain for Sport is inviting all parishioners to sign an online petition to ask Pope Francis to declare Blessed Pope John Paul II as Patron Saint of Sport upon his canonisation. Please go to the link below to sign up

[http://www.avaaz.org/en/petition/Declare\\_Blessed\\_Pope\\_John\\_Paul\\_II\\_Patron\\_Saint\\_of\\_Sport\\_upon\\_his\\_Canonisation/](http://www.avaaz.org/en/petition/Declare_Blessed_Pope_John_Paul_II_Patron_Saint_of_Sport_upon_his_Canonisation/)

### FR ALEXANDER SHERBROOKE

"The parish of St Patrick's Roman Catholic Church, Soho Square, will be celebrating the 25th anniversary of the ordination of Fr Alexander Sherbrooke on **Wednesday 4 September**, with Holy Mass at 6 pm, followed by refreshments. One of Fr Alexander's previous appointments, before he took over responsibility for St Patrick's, in 2001, was serving in the parish of St Lawrence's, as a chaplain at Feltham, so we would like to warmly invite everyone who remembers him from his time among you to join in our special celebration. If anyone wishing to attend could RSVP via our parish office (tel. 020 7437 2010; email [info@stpatricksoho.org](mailto:info@stpatricksoho.org)), we would be very grateful!"

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL, OSTERLEY

St Vincent de Paul Prayer Group warmly invites parishioners to celebrate the 30th anniversary of their formation with a special Mass at St Vincent de Paul parish (2 Witham Road, Isleworth TW7 4AJ) on **Monday 16th September** at 7 pm, followed by refreshments in the parish hall. Come along and enjoy the company of parishioners from neighbouring parishes.

### PILGRIMAGES

**DOWRY OF MARY PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM - Sunday 8th September.**

#### NO SEATS LEFT!!

The five people who had signed up but not paid, the seats have been released to those on the waiting list.

### PILGRIMAGE OF FAMILIES TO THE TOMB OF PETER FOR THE YEAR OF FAITH

Pope Francis invites families to experience the joy of Faith by joining him on a pilgrimage to the Tomb of Peter in Rome from **26 to 27 October 2013**. For further information visit [www.family.va](http://www.family.va) or email [roma2013@family.va](mailto:roma2013@family.va).

### REST IN PEACE

#### ANN WATSON RIP

We pray for the repose of the soul of Ann Watson RIP who passed away recently. Please also remember in your prayers all her family and friends who mourn her. Funeral details to follow.

## Mass intentions and other services this week:

<b>Saturday 24th</b> ST BARTHOLOMEW	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	11.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	11.45	Benediction
	12.00	<b>Eric Brumwell and Frank Stackpoole RIP</b>
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
+ First Mass of Sunday	18.00	<b>People of the Parish</b>
<b>+ Sunday 25th</b> 21st Sunday of the Year	09.00	<b>Anita Calmiano RIP</b>
	11.00	<b>Margaret &amp; Edward Millar RIP(A)</b>
	13.00	<b>Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)</b>
	14.00	<b>Mass led by the African Community</b>
	18.00	<b>James, Vidia &amp; Deewan Joseph RIP</b>
<b>Monday 26th</b> Feria	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	<b>Petronila D'Sa D'Costa RIP</b>
<b>Tuesday 27th</b> St Monica	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	<b>For the intentions of Sr Monica Killeen</b>
	10.00	Novena to Our Lady
<b>Wednesday 28th</b> St Augustine	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	<b>Celebrant's Intention</b>
<b>Thursday 29th</b> The Passion of St John the Baptist	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	<b>Holy Souls in Purgatory RIP</b>
<b>Friday 30th</b> Sts Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line and Margaret Ward	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	<b>Carmelina Cardoso Rodrigues RIP</b>
<b>Saturday 31st</b> St Aidan of Lindisfarne	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	11.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	11.45	Benediction
	12.00	<b>Arlene Juriansz (Intention)</b>
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
+ First Mass of Sunday	18.00	<b>Eufrocino Mendoza RIP</b>
<b>+ Sunday 1st</b> 22nd Sunday of the Year	09.00	<b>Margarita Lopez RIP</b>
	11.00	<b>Tony Loader RIP</b>
	13.00	<b>Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)</b>
	18.00	<b>People of the Parish</b>

### Sanctuary Lamp: Patrick Coffey RIP

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

17th/18th Aug: Envelopes £1120.48, Loose £533.71, Standing Orders £420.00 Total: £2074.19

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