

ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM

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Second Sunday of Advent

7th/8th December 2019

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year A, Volume 1: Page 85: Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72; Romans 15:4-9; Matthew 3:1-12

Next Week: 3rd Sunday of Advent: Page: 88: Isaiah 35:1-6,10; Psalm 145; James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11



Dear Parishioners

On Sunday 15th December, Bishop Paul McAleenan will celebrate the Candidacy Mass for four men from the Diocese of Westminster, namely:

Peter Jones, David Lawrence, Anthony Cecil and myself (Rolly Leon)

The celebration is a public statement of intent on the part of these men to go forward for Ordination. It is also acceptance by the Church of this desire and formal recognition of their journey towards the Diaconate. May God bring fulfilment to them and guide them on their path. Please pray for these men and their family in your prayers, as they continue their journey towards Ordination.

St John Paul II once said: *"Vocation is the answer to the question, "Who am I"?"*

Pope Francis quotes that *"when we reach out to those that are in need, we touch the wounded Body of Christ. When we touch the poor, we touch Christ."*

As it is the month of Advent, I leave you with my favourite prayer for Advent:

*Jesus, I pray that you will walk with me
along my Pilgrim journey.
When I grow weary Lord,
comfort me with your Holy Spirit.
In my trials Lord, walk with me.
When the shades of life are falling,
in my sorrows and joys, Lord walk with me.
As I place my soul into your hands
give me grace to serve you Jesus
as I walk towards eternity.*

Amen

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Protecting your Privacy:

In compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) which became effective in May 2018, the Parish requires your permission to hold your data for Parish/Diocesan use. You can read our full privacy policy on www.rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy

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 & 5pm

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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS

A warm welcome to Kenviya Carvalho who will be baptised this weekend. We also offer our warmest congratulations to their families.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION TUESDAY GROUP

We meet on **Tuesday 10th December** at 4.30pm in the Parish Centre.

CONFIRMATION 2020

The Confirmation Group will be going on their Retreat from Friday 13th to Sunday 15th December. Please keep them in your prayers.

ENROLMENT FOR THE SECOND CONFIRMATION GROUP

Registration Forms are available in the porch for the Second Group of Candidates. Please complete and bring your form to the Church on **Wednesday 8th January** or **Thursday 16th January** between **4.30-6.30pm** to meet with Jordan. Please bring a copy of your Baptism Certificate if you were not baptised at St Lawrence's. Classes will start on 23rd January.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The next session will be on **Saturday 14th December at 10am** in the Presbytery.

PARISH NOTICES

COFFEE MORNING

Helen Hurley will be hosting a Coffee Morning in aid of the Parish Centre on **Sunday 8th December** after the 9am and 11am Masses.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER

A beautiful luxury Christmas Hamper is being raffled and on display the next two weekends. Raffle tickets on sale at £1 per strip or £5 for 6 strips. The draw will take place on **Sunday 15th December** after the 11am Mass in the Parish Centre.

BISHOP PAUL MCALEENAN VISIT

On **Sunday 15th December** we are pleased to welcome Bishop Paul McAleenan who will be presiding at the 11am Mass to admit to Candidacy four men currently in formation to become Permanent Deacons. After Mass there will be refreshments in the Parish Centre and an opportunity for you all to meet the Bishop, Candidates and other Deacons. **Please note that the Church Car Park will be CLOSED from 10am. No Disabled Parking or Access**

CAROL SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

This service organised by Lodge Brothers Funeral Service will be held in Church on **Sunday 15th December at 3.30pm**. All are invited to remember our departed loved ones at this special time of year and to light a candle for them, as well as joining in our favourite carols. Seasonal refreshments will be served afterwards.

NIGHT SHELTER

The night shelter for the homeless will begin in the middle of February until the end of March. Seven churches will be taking part hosting the homeless each night of the week. St. Lawrence's parish will host on Friday nights in the Parish Centre. We will need volunteers:

- To welcome those who stay
- To cook an evening meal
- To stay overnight
- To cook breakfast the following morning
- To tidy up after breakfast

There is a sheet in the porch for you to sign up for whichever area you would like to volunteer for.

ADVENT RESOURCES

Walk with Me - £1.00, Day by Day £1.100 and Bible Alive - £2.50 booklets for personal or group reflection during Advent available in the porch. Also available are leaflets in the CTS stand.

CHILDREN'S SPIRITUALITY AND PRAYING WITH CHILDREN.

For catechists and all those who are interested. The next part of this course is on **Monday 9th December**, at 7.30 - 9pm in the Parish Centre by Anna Dupelycz from the Diocese. Its free, refreshments will be available.

CARITAS WESTMINSTER

The Caritas Westminster Advent Giving Calendar is available at the back of Church. The Calendar gives suggestions for items which we can put in our box for Storehouse

ADVENT CONFESSIONS

Fr John and Fr John Louis will be available to hear Confessions before Christmas on **Tuesday 17th December** - Exposition and Confessions 7.00pm-8.00pm

RECEPTION SCHOOL FORM SIGNING

Fr John will be available to see families applying for admission to Reception Class on the following dates and times. To book an appointment please put your name on the list in the Church porch before your preferred date. There are a maximum of 20 appointment slots for each date. On the day of your appointment please come with your child and wait in Church. Make sure you bring your child's Baptism Certificate and your Certificate of Catholic Practice

December - Saturday 14th 9.30am-10.30am

January - Saturday 11th 9.30am-10.30am

ST LAWRENCE SCHOOL

The Junior children of St Lawrence would like to invite the people from the Parish to their Nativity Story in the church on **Tuesday 17th December 2019 at 2.00pm** and **Wednesday 18th December at 7.00pm**.

CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY MASS

Children are invited to come to 6pm Mass on Christmas Eve dressed as a character from the Nativity (not Mary or Joseph). If you would like to make a birthday card for Jesus, please bring it to this Mass.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

A collection will be taken up the weekend of 21/22 December at all Masses.

SENIOR CITIZEN'S PARTY

The Parish Annual Senior Citizen's "Christmas" party will take place on **Sunday 12th January** from 12noon to 4pm. 60 places only. Please put your name down **once only** on the lists in the porch if you would like to come or if you can help. Details from Philomena Franklin.

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Lourdin (LUDO) Soares RIP, Mary A Smith RIP, Maureen Field RIP, Anthony Murphy RIP and Alan Bradford RIP** who have died recently. Please also keep in your prayers their families and all who mourn them. May they rest in peace.

MAUREEN FIELD RIP - Her Requiem will take place here on **Wednesday 11th December** at 11.30am.

ALAN BRADFORD RIP - His Funeral will take place at Hanworth Crematorium on **Wednesday 11th December** at 3.20pm

LOURDIN (LUDO) SOARES RIP - His Requiem will take place here on **Friday 20th December** at 9.30am. **THE CAR PARK WILL BE CLOSED.**

Funeral arrangements will be announced shortly for Mary Smith RIP and Anthony Murphy RIP.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 7	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	11.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	12.00	Rose Marie & Keith Calmiano in Thanksgiving
	12.45	Baptism of Kenviya Carvalho
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	18.00	Deceased members of the O'Hanlon Family
Sun 8	09.00	Philip & Anne Sheridan RIP (Anniversary)
	11.00	Mario Godinho RIP
	13.00	Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)
	14.30	Mass in Ukrainian
	18.00	Roque Pasquale De Souza RIP
Mon 9	09.30	Glenda and Daniel (Intentions)
Tues 10	09.30	Pascoal John Godinho RIP
Wed 11	09.30	Quainoo Family in Thanksgiving REQUIEM MASS - MAUREEN FIELD RIP
Thurs 12	09.30	Mary Chacko RIP (First Anniversary)
	18.00-	Sacred Heart of Jesus & Immaculate Heart
	19.00	of Mary devotions
Fri 13	09.30	John James O'Reilly RIP
Sat 14	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	11.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	12.00	Andrew Omoniyodo in Thanksgiving
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	18.00	Barbara Ann and Ivy Adams in Thanksgiving
Sun 15	09.00	Gabriel D'Souza RIP
	11.00	Esther Parker RIP (with Admittance to Candidacy)
	13.00	Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)
	14.5.30	Lodge Brothers Carol Service of Remembrance
	18.00	David Crawley RIP
Sanctuary Lamp: Andrew Omoniyodo in Thanksgiving		

Thank you for your generosity in last week's collection:
30 November/1 December: Envelopes £786.90 Loose £758.69
 Standing Orders £769.00 **Total £2,314.59**