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ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM

The Green, Feltham, TW13 4AF



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8th/9th DECEMBER 2018

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year C, Volume 1: Page 84: Baruch 5:1-9; Psalm 125; Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11; Luke 3:4,6 Next Week: Third Sunday of Advent: Page: 87: Zephaniah 3:14-18; Psalm: Isaiah 12; Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:10-18



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In the gospel we hear again the lonely voice of John the Baptist: 'Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight'. This is a call to repentance. John the Baptist's faithfulness to his vocation inspires us to be faithful in ours, to be the voice crying in the wilderness in our world as we prepare for the coming of the Lord.

Light the Second Advent Candle and pray each day:

We pray for all who spread the gospel; may their work be Blessed and may they receive joy from spreading the good News. **Come Lord Jesus.**

We pray for those who are sick, may they receive hope, healing and consolation. **Come Lord Jesus**

We pray for those who work on the land; may we receive the fruits of the earth with thankfulness. **Come Lord Jesus**

Lord, you found nowhere to lay your head: make us aware of the needs of the homeless today. **Come Lord Jesus**

We pray that we may become a community that actively cares for and protects the most vulnerable members of our society. **Come Lord Jesus**

Our Father Hail Mary Glory Be

Lord our God, you know our weakness. May we reach out with joy to grasp the hand you stretch out to us in Christ, and so walk more readily in our ways. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

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

Protecting your Privacy:

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

SACRAMENTS

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION

The last meeting before Christmas for those children preparing for First Holy Communion who are not in Catholic Schools is on **Tuesday 11th December** at 4.30pm.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The next meeting is on **Wednesday**, **12th December** at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. This course is designed to help you explore the Catholic faith and to become a member of the Church if you wish.

PARISH NOTICES

ADVENT RESOURCES

The My Day by Day and Walk with Me booklets for personal or group reflections during Advent are available in the porch. Price ± 1.00 per copy.

CHRISTMAS CARDS AND 2019 CALENDARS

The Repository (Church Shop) has a good selection of Christmas Cards (\pounds 3.50/box) and calendars (\pounds 1.20 each) for 2019. Do have a look after Mass.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

There will be a collection at the end of all Masses next weekend towards flowers for Christmas.

LINE DANCING

The last session for this year will take place on **Monday 10th December** at 7.30pm. All welcome (men too). Fee: $\pounds4.00$ per session.

CATECHISTS AND VOLUNTEERS MEETING

There will be a Catechists and Volunteers Meeting on **Saturday 15th December** from 4.30pm-5.45pm to review and plan our work. Please bring a friend.

CHRISTMAS LITURGIES

There will be a meeting for all who are interested in helping prepare the Christmas liturgies on **Saturday 15th December** at 2pm in the Presbytery.

YOUTH OUTREACH (Yo!)

A reminder to all Yo! Volunteers to meet in the Parish Centre by 8.30am on Sunday 16th December.

CAROL SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

This service organised by Lodge Brothers Funeral Service will be held in Church on **Sunday 16th 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.

CHURCHES TOGETHER CAROL SINGING

Churches Together will be Carol Singing at Asda on **Monday 17th** December from 7 – 8.30pm. Come and join in.

ADVENT CONFESSIONS

Fr John and Fr Peter will be available to hear Confessions before Christmas on: **Tuesday 18th December** - Exposition and

Confessions 7.00pm-8.00pm; Friday 21st December – Confessions 10.15am-11.15am and Saturday 22nd December – Confessions 10.00am-11.45am and 5pm-6pm.

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. If you are in Year 3 or above and would like to read at the 6pm Mass on Christmas Eve please come to a rehearsal with Jordan on **Thursday 20th December** at 3.30 pm in Church.

FILIPINO COMMUNITY

There will be a Mass in Tagalog on **Saturday 22nd December** at 3.00pm followed by fellowship in the Parish Centre.

AFRICAN COMMUNITY

Please note that there will be Mass on **Sunday 23rd December** at 2.30pm followed by fellowship in the Parish Centre.

NEW YEAR WITH ST LAWRENCE'S AFRICAN COMMUNITY

On **Monday 31st December** the African Community invite you all to join them for a service to bring in the New Year. The programme starts at 11.30pm with a Rosary, Devotions to the Divine Mercy, Songs of Praise, Holy Mass and finishes with Benediction.

SENIOR CITIZENS PARTY

The Parish's annual Senior Citizen's "Christmas" Party will take place on **Sunday 13th January** from 12noon to 4pm. 60 places only. Please put your name down <u>once only</u> on the lists in the porch if you would like to come or if you can help. Details from Philomena Franklin.

CHRISTMAS TABLE TOP SALE PLUS EXTRAS

The Table Top sale in aid of the Parish Centre is this **Sunday 9th December** after the 9am and 11am Masses. Thank you for your donations. Thank you for your generous donations. St Lawrence's School also have a stall in aid of the school.

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There is still time to get your raffle tickets for the lucky draw of a luxury hamper and many other prizes. Tickets at £1 a strip of £5 for 6 strips.

RECEPTION CLASS ADMISSIONS 2019

The dates and times that Fr John and Fr Peter will be available to see families are:

Saturday 15th December from 9.30am to 10.30am Saturday 12th January from 9.30am to 10.30am

To make an appointment 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.

CAFOD – WORLD GIFTS

Please take a copy of the CAFOD World Gifts brochure from the table in the porch.

REST IN PEACE

The Requiem Mass for **Anne Webb RIP** will take place here on **Monday 17th December** at 1.30pm, followed by committal at Hanworth Crematorium at 2.30pm

The Funeral Service for **Osvaldo Collamati RIP** will take place on **Tuesday 18th December** at 11.00am at Jamieson Chapel, Hanworth Crematorium.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 8th		No Exposition or Confession this morning
	9.30-	First Confession for First Holy Communion
	11.45	Children
	12.00	Ted Chapple RIP (Anniversary)
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	18.00	Ivy Adams (Intention)
Sun 9 th	09.00	People of the Parish
	11.00	Timothy Cahalane RIP (Anniversary)
	13.00	Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)
	15.00	Mass in Ukrainian
	18.00	Hazel Costello RIP (Anniversary)
Mon 10 th	09.30	Terry Ottley (Intention)
Tues 11 th	09.30	Chris Pierro RIP
Wed 12 th	09.30	Santana Fernandes & Anthony Pereira RIP
Thurs 13 th	09.30	Lena Layton RIP
Fri 14 th	09.30	Mary Hehir RIP
Sat 15 th	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	11.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	12.00	Deceased members of the O'Hanlon
		Family RIP
		(Reception of Miles Ennis and Baptism of
		Rafael Feliciano,)
		Baptism of Alex Costello, Carlson
	12.45	Fernandes, Yaari Kamulete-Mills, Lily
		Ryzhko and Thaddeus Fernandes
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	18.00	Josef Fatyga RIP
Sun 16 th	09.00	Gabriel D'Souza RIP
	11.00	Virginia & Benedict Masulit in
		Thanksgiving (Wedding Anniversary)
	13.00	Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)
	15.30	Carol Service of Remembrance – Lodge
		Brothers
	18.00	People of the Parish
Sanctuary Lamp: Emmanuela Danladi in Thanksgiving		
Thank you for your generosity in last week's collection:		

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