

# This week at St Lawrence's



1st/2nd December 2012



First Sunday of Advent  
(Missal Page 82 – YEAR C)  
Eucharistic Prayer III (Page 27)

Jeremiah 33:14-16; Psalm 24; 1 Thessalonians 3:12, 4:2; Luke 21:25-28, 34-36  
2nd Sunday of Advent (Missal Page 84): Baruch 5:1-9; Psalm 125; Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11;  
Luke 3:4, 6



Dear Friends

This weekend we celebrate Advent Sunday, the beginning of the Christian Year – in the Church, New Year comes early! This Advent we are holding a follow-up event to our Parish Mission in the summer, a **Day of Prayer** on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December, 9.30am-2.30pm. During the day there will be confessions available from 10.30am to 11.45am with a visiting priest, Mass at 12noon, then confessions from 12.30pm-2.30pm, and again from 5.00pm-5.45pm, a great opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Christmas. There will be Eucharistic Adoration from 9.30am until 2.30pm, with a break for the 12noon Mass, and I encourage you to fill in the 'Watch of Prayer' rota in the Church porch. In all the frantic pre-Christmas preparation and celebrations, let's make this a day to remember the real 'reason for the season!'

I look forward to seeing you all in Church next Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> December for the celebration of Our Lady of Immaculate Conception and our 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Mass and Party.

God Bless you.

Fr Chris

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## SACRAMENTS

### BAPTISM

We extend a warm welcome to Sorya Yamindae Davies, Max-Dennis Stafford-Davies and RJ Delan Stafford-Davies who will be baptised this weekend and offer our congratulations to their families.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The Parents Sessions with Fr Chris will be on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December** at 2.30pm or 7.30pm.

### CATECHISTS TRAINING

There will be a training session for leaders of Children's Liturgy on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December** from 7-9pm at Our Lady & St Christopher's Church, Cranford. Any Catechists wishing to attend please inform Bridget Brinkley.

### WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS

We offer our warmest congratulations to Edward Cambray and Louise O'Connell who celebrate the sacrament of marriage during the week.

## PARISH NOTICES

### ADVENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

This year, let us be ADVENT people, - people who wait, like Mary, with great longing for the coming the Child. The readings at Mass will help us to 'prepare the way for the Lord.'

Come along and join Sr. Katherine on Mondays during Advent at 10am (after Mass) in the Presbytery commencing **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** for a time of prayer and reflection.

### BOOKLETS FOR ADVENT 2012

The Season of Advent is a time of preparation for the coming of God's Son at Christmas – a time of grace, prayer and expectation. As we journey through Advent we offer two pocket sized booklets - **Walk with Me** which has prayerful reflections for each of the days leading up to Christmas and **Day and Day** which has readings for Mass. These are available at the back of Church, priced at £1.00 each.

### ADVENT CHILDRENS WORKSHOP

Don't forget the workshop takes place on Sunday from 2-30- 4.30pm in the Parish Centre and 4.30-5.00pm in the Church. There will be a £1 fee. All children (from 2 – 12 years old) must be signed in when attending this workshop. All children under 5's must be accompanied by an adult who will need to stay with them throughout the event.

### FIRST FRIDAY

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December** is the First Friday of the month and Mass will be at 06.45am for our Early Birds, those wanting to hear Mass before setting off to work and then at 9.30am.

The CAFOD First Friday Coffee morning will be held after the 9.30am Mass.

### UCM

The UCM will meet on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** at 7.30pm for thoughts on Advent. Prayers, poems and scripture readings will all be welcome.

Members please remember subscription is now due. Party tickets £4.00.

### 80<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY PARTY – 8<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

There are sign up lists in the porch to help with food, setting up the hall from 10am, clearing up and helping in general on the day. Please sign up if you are able to help in any way.

### FLOWERS FOR CHRISTMAS

There will be a retiring collection after all Masses the weekend of 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> December for Christmas Flowers.

### CAFOD WORLD GIFTS

The CAFOD World Gifts Catalogues are now available at the back of Church.

## ST LAWRENCE'S CENSUS

If you had not filled out or missed out on filling a Census Form last year, please could you complete a form and post it in the 'Census' box at the back of Church. This appeal is especially for those parishioners who have been here a long time and may have filled up a form years ago. We now need an updated form.

## CALLING ALL READERS

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December** is "Bible Sunday" and there will be the annual renewal of Commitment to the Ministry of Readers at all weekend Masses.

## ST LAWRENCE'S PRAYER GROUP

Meet **every Thursday from 7.30pm to 9pm** in the Presbytery. A time of prayer and thanksgiving. Reflecting on scriptures. Intercessory prayers for the parish and wider community. New members welcome, come and see.

## PARISH MASS BOOKS – YEAR C VOLUME 1

The Parish Mass Book for Cycle C commences this weekend. If you would like to purchase your own copy, these are available from the repository at £2.50 each.

## OTHER

### LIFE – MINCE PIE AND CAKE SALE

On **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December** after the morning Masses (9am & 11am) in the Parish Centre. Mince pies, cakes and Christmas Fayre will be on sale as well as bric-a-brac. Do come in for a cuppa and a chat. If you can help in any way please contact Annie Burke. All proceeds go to the LIFE Pregnancy Care Centre in Hounslow.

### CAROL SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

This beautiful service organised by Lodge Brothers funeral Service will be held in Church on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 3pm. All are invited along 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.

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

### December

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> – 6.30pm** – Finance Committee Meeting in the Presbytery

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> – 12noon** – 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass with Archbishop Vincent Nichols followed by party in the School Hall

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>** – Bible Sunday – Renewal of Commitment of Readers (*at all weekend Masses*)

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> – 9.30am-2.30pm** - Advent Day of Prayer in Church

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> – 3.00pm** – Carol Service of Remembrance (Lodge Brothers).

### 2013

### January

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> – 12noon** – Thanksgiving Mass for the Sacrament of Baptism

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>** – Senior Citizen's Christmas Party

### February

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>** – ASH WEDNESDAY

Lent Course – A School of Prayer – a four week journey of discovery

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup>** – Lent Day of Prayer in Church

## SCHOOL FORM SIGNING

Fr Chris will be available at the following times for St Lawrence's School Reception Class 2013 Admissions: Please come with your child and wait in the Church.

Thursdays: December 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, January 3<sup>rd</sup> – 3.45pm-4.45pm

Saturdays: December 22<sup>nd</sup>, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> – 9.30am-10.30am

## Mass intentions and other services this week:

<b>Saturday 1<sup>st</sup></b> Feria	11.00 11.00 11.45 12.00 17.00 18.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Benediction <b>Galligan Family (Intentions)</b> Sacrament of Reconciliation <b>Michael &amp; Nora Usher RIP</b>
<b>+ Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup></b> First Sunday of Advent	<b>09.00</b> <b>11.00</b> 12.45  <b>18.00</b>	<b>Kevin Guiney RIP (A)</b> <b>Kevin Matthews RIP</b> Baptisms of Max and RJ Delan Stafford-Davies and Sonya Yamindae Davies <b>People of the Parish</b>
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup></b> St Francis Xavier	09.15 <b>09.30</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Francis &amp; Francisca Coutinho RIP</b>
<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup></b> Advent Feria	09.15 <b>09.30</b> 10.00	<b>Special Day of Prayer for Peace in the Holy Land</b> Morning Prayer <b>Derek Juriansz RIP</b> Novena to Our Lady
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup></b> Advent Feria	09.15 <b>09.30</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Holy Souls</b>
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup></b> Advent Feria	09.15 <b>09.30</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Rose &amp; Herbert Harvey RIP</b>
<b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup></b> St Ambrose	<b>06.45</b> 09.15 <b>09.30</b> 13.00	<b>Army Boothroyd (Intention)</b> Morning Prayer <b>Victoria Ama Fisher RIP</b> Marriage of Edward Cambray and Louise O'Connell
<b>Saturday 8<sup>th</sup></b> Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	<b>12.00</b> 17.00 <b>18.00</b>	<b>In Thanksgiving - 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday of our Church</b> Sacrament of Reconciliation <b>John &amp; Annie O'Grady RIP</b>
<b>+ Sunday 9<sup>th</sup></b> Second Sunday of Advent	<b>09.00</b> <b>11.00</b> 12.45  <b>18.00</b>	<b>Charles Petrie RIP (A)</b> <b>Galligan Family (Intentions)</b> Baptisms of Joseph Thomas John Shanics, Andrew Junior Kiranda and Karina Kasiulyte <b>People of the Parish</b>

## Sanctuary Lamp: Emmanuelle Danladi (Intention)

### Sunday Mass Times

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

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

Envelopes £1095.96, Loose £747.17, Standing Orders £265 Total: £2108.13

The Sick and Retired Priests Fund collection was £1572.69,  
thank you for your generosity.

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