

ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM

The Green, Feltham, TW13 4AF



0208 890 2367

email: feltham@rcdow.org.uk

web: www.saintlawrences.org.uk

FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

2nd/3rd February 2019

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year C, Volume 1: Page 132: Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19; Psalm 70; 1 Corinthians 12:31, 13:13; Luke 4:21-30

Next Week: 5th Sunday of the Year: Page: 135: Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 137; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 5:1-11



Parish Team

Parish Priest:

Fr. John Byrne

Mobile: 0787 905 8732

Email: johnbyrne@rcdow.org.uk

Assistant Priest:

Fr. Peter Shekelton

Email: petershekelton@rcdow.org.uk

Deacon:

Rev. Colin Macken

Email: colinmacken@rcdow.org.uk

Parish Pastoral Assistant:

Jordan Pullicino

Email:

jordanpullicino@rcdow.org.uk

Parish Secretary:

Florie Fernandes

Parish Sisters:

Sr. Katherine O'Reilly, Sr. Mary O'Malley, Sr. Nora Gorman

Gift Aid & Planned Giving

Co-ordinator:

Frank Macken

frank.macken@btinternet.com

This week's Gospel, immediately follows on from last week's Gospel where Jesus quoted the messianic prophecy from Isaiah (Is 61:1-2). However, when Jesus suggests that he is the Messiah the congregation quickly turn against him, clearly not believing that someone who had lived amongst them for many years earning a living as a carpenter could possibly be The Messiah.

We hear that they took Jesus to a cliff edge and were about to throw him over when he managed to slip away. Why would they have even wanted to do that to someone who had grown up amongst them? After all this would have been the same Jesus who made their furniture and joists to support their roofs.

Quite simply it was because Jesus had told them that salvation was for Gentiles as well as Jews. He emphasised this by giving two examples of prophets being sent to Gentiles, the widow at Zarephath and the Syrian, Naaman. Of course it is sad to reflect that the politics of hatred (no doubt only stirred up by a few) were as divisive in biblical times as they are today.

Their rejection of Jesus is a constant lesson for each and every one of us. I am absolutely certain that to a greater or lesser extent, all of us have at times neglected to give Jesus the attention he deserves. All too often we fail to recognise that Jesus is the pivotal point in all human lives and throughout all humanity, and we also fail to recognise that the pivotal point that everything revolves around is faith. Faith in Our Lord Jesus Christ and with that faith we have love. True love transcends national boundaries, and it is only with faith and true love in our hearts that we can work together for the principle of Catholic Social Teaching and that is the common good.

Please join me in private prayer that in future we only read about genocide in a historical context and not in a current affairs context, please pray that those with hatred in their hearts find faith and with that faith they find love.

Have a blessed week,

Deacon Colin

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 www.rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy.

This Parish is part of Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust (WRCDT) Registered Charity No: 233699

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS

A warm welcome to Rami Peka, Amaris Peka, Quincy Pharell Malone Tchetché, Marshall Tchetché, William Winston Flint and Nashon Immanuel Fernandes who will be baptised this weekend and during the week. We offer our warmest congratulations to their families.

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE

The next Baptism Preparation Course takes place on **Saturday 16th February** from 2pm-4pm. This is for first time parents and expectant parents.

SUNDAY AND TUESDAY GROUPS

The Sunday Group will meet on **Sunday 3rd February** at 10am in St Lawrence's School for their First Holy Communion preparation.

The next class for the Tuesday Group will be on **Tuesday 5th February** at 4.30pm in the Parish Centre.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The next meeting is on **Wednesday, 6th February** 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.

CONFIRMATION

The next preparation Class for Confirmation will take place on **Thursday 7th February** at 7.00pm in the Parish Centre.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SATURDAY GROUPS

There will be **no FHC on March 2nd** it has been cancelled due to clash with the Flame youth event. It will now take place on **March 9th**, 4.30pm, in the school hall.

PARISH NOTICES

CAR PARK –SCHOOL AND CHURCH

On a Sunday morning in December there was a serious incident on Victoria Road near the entrance to the school. The Police have been looking at CCTV cameras in school and at street level. We need to be more vigilant of who is around. Access and security to Church and school are our responsibility.

PARENTS PLEASE DO NOT PARK ON THE GREEN TO DROP OFF/COLLECT YOUR CHILDREN TO/FROM SCHOOL. THIS IS A PRIVATE ROAD – USE ALTERNATIVE CAR PARKS AND WALK.

LINE DANCING

The Line Dancing Classes will resume again on **Monday 4th February** at 7.30pm. £4.00 per session. All welcome.

PREGNANCY MATTERS "LIFE"

A Coffee Morning and Table Top sale will be held after the morning Masses on **Sunday 10th February**. Proceeds will go to Pregnancy Matters in Hounslow and to the Parish Centre Building Fund. If you can help please contact Annie Burke. Donations of cakes, toiletries, bric-a-brac, books and toys would be much appreciated.

BIBLE STUDY DAY

On **Saturday February 23rd**, in the Parish Centre, led by Jordan Pullicino and Alai Naseer. An introduction to the Bible, for adults. From the Old Testament to the New, and as part of the Church today. It is hoped this will launch a course of Bible study in the parish. Even if you can only come for this one day, do come, and be inspired by the word of God! 10am – 3.30pm, bring a packed-lunch.

LENT

The Diocese will be producing a new six-week faith sharing resource for Lent 2019 – **Rejoice and be Glad**. *Rejoice and be Glad* invites those who share in it to discover what it means to be a joyful missionary disciple of Jesus Christ. We have a few people who have expressed interested in leading a group in their home or at Church. If anyone is interested in joining a group, please put your name on the list in the porch.

PROCLAIM

There will be a Proclaim Spring gathering supporting the setting up and development of Parish Evangelisation Team for the formation of Missionary Disciples and development of Missionary Parishes. This meeting will take place at St Mark's Catholic School, 106 Bath Road, Hounslow TW3 3EJ on **Saturday 16th March** from 9.30am to 3.00pm with Bishop John Wilson. The event is free, tea and coffee will be provided. Bring your own lunch. We initiated a Proclaim group three years ago in Feltham and if anyone is interested please speak to Deacon Colin Macken so that he can register you for the meeting (email: colinmacken@rcdow.org.uk).

FOR THE YOUTH

YOUTH OUTREACH (Yo!) MONTHLY MEET

Friday 15th February, 7.00pm in the Parish Centre.

All welcome! (14 years and up).

HOUNSLOW SUMMIT

The Westminster Youth Ministry invite youth groups and Confirmation groups age 14-18 to their next event which will be held at SS Michael & Martin Church, 94 Bath Road, Hounslow TW3 3EH on **Friday 22nd February** from 7.00pm to 9.00pm. Anyone who is interested please speak to Jordan for details.

YOUTH EVENT

We are excited to announce that CYMFED Flame Conference is returning to Wembley Arena on **2nd March 2019**. This is the biggest Catholic Youth Event in the UK and as such we are hoping it will be a fantastic day! Many exciting speakers have already been announced such as Pastor Robert Madu, Tim Hughes, Guvna B and Girl's got Faith's Emma Borquaye to name a few. The day is expected to be a fantastic opportunity to celebrate our shared faith on a grand scale. If you are interested in joining thousands of other young people, tickets will be £20.00 per person. Please pay your money in an envelope marked "Flame 2019" with your name and contact details to the Parish Office no later than **3rd February 2019**. *Thank you. Lloyd Gashu*

OTHER

THE SHELTER PROJECT HOUNSLOW...

...is currently providing up to fifteen homeless men with a hot evening meal, night shelter and breakfast at Church venues in the Borough and seeking volunteers to help. Please see notice board for details.

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Ronald Henry RIP** and **Lawrence D Souza RIP** who died recently. Please also keep in your prayers their family, friends and all who mourn them.

LAWRENCE D SOUZA RIP – His Requiem Mass will take place here on **Tuesday 12th February** at 12noon.

RONALD HENRY RIP – His Requiem Mass will take place here on **Wednesday 13th February** at 11am.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 2 nd	11.00 11.00 12.00 12.45 17.00 18.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sacrament of Reconciliation Cirilo Rodrigues in Thanksgiving (with baptisms of Rami Peka, Amaris Peka, Quincy Tchetché and Marshall Tchetché) Baptism of William Flint Sacrament of Reconciliation For the intentions of the Power Family
Sun 3 rd	09.00 11.00 13.00 18.00	Ken & Holly Hawkins in Thanksgiving Eamon O'Brien RIP (Anniversary) Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) Martin Stephen Lambert RIP (Anniversary)
Mon 4 th	09.30 10.15	Jill and Tony Smith RIP (Anniversary) Baptism of Nashon Fernandes
Tues 5 th	09.30	R Mary Teresita Heenan RIP
Wed 6 th	09.30	Celebrant's Intention
Thurs 7 th	09.30	Sr Osburga Richardson RIP
Fri 8 th	09.30	Sr Hilda McCann RIP
Sat 9 th	11.00 11.00 12.00 12.45 17.00 18.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sacrament of Reconciliation Ivor and Phoebe Van Sanden RIP Baptism of Mila Graz Sacrament of Reconciliation Maurice Walsh RIP (Anniversary)
Sun 10 th	09.00 11.00 13.00 18.00	Francisco Pereira in Birthday Thanksgiving Ona Janaviciene RIP (5 th Anniversary) Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) People of the Parish
Sanctuary Lamp: Derrick Juriansz RIP		

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

26-27 January: Envelopes £792.10 Loose £890.99

Standing Orders £888.25 **Total £2,571.34**