

# This week at St Lawrence's



13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> February 2016



First Sunday of Lent  
(Missal Page 153 – YEAR C Vol. 1)

Deuteronomy 26:4-10; Psalm 90; Romans 10:8-13; Luke 4:1-13  
Next week: Second Sunday of Lent (Missal Page 156): Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18; Psalm 26;  
Philippians 3:17, 4:1; Luke 9:28-36

Dear Friends

Lent begins with a reflection on the Temptation of Jesus in the wilderness. The graphic temptations of Jesus described by Matthew and Luke in their Gospels are pictorial and dramatic representations of the inner struggle against a temptation that Jesus experienced throughout his public life. The devil was trying to prevent Jesus from accomplishing his mission, mainly through a temptation to become the political Messiah of Jewish expectations, and to use his Divine power to avoid suffering and death. The Church assigns temptation stories to the beginning of Lent because temptations come to everybody, not only to Jesus, and we seem almost genetically programmed to yield to them. We are surrounded on all sides by temptations, and they have become so familiar to twenty-first century life that we scarcely notice them. We need to love God and his people to get rid of all the temptations in our lives.

*A priest was ministering to a man on his deathbed. "Renounce Satan!" said the priest. "No," said the dying man. "I say, renounce the devil and his works!" "No," the man repeats. "And why not, I ask you in the name of all that is holy?" "Because," said the dying man, "I want to wait until I see where I'm heading, before I start annoying anybody."*

Thank you very much for all your support, encouraging words and prayers. I particularly thank Fr. Chris for his hospitality and fun.

With love and prayers.

**Fr John**

Sunday Mass Times: Saturday 6 pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 9 am, 11 am,  
1pm (Polish) & 6 pm  
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) - Saturday 11am & 5pm

## SACRAMENTS

### CONFIRMATION

Candidates please see revised dates for preparation sessions on the notice board.

## PARISH NOTICES

### LENT AT ST LAWRENCE'S

Please read the insert which gives details on the Lenten activities in the parish.

### NEW VESTMENTS

We have recently purchased two second hand chasubles at a cost of £80.00 each. If anyone would like to give or donate one please contact the Parish Office.

### PARISH SICK LIST

We aim to review our Parish Sick List every 4-6 weeks. If you would like us to continue praying for a loved one, please let the Parish Office know.

### VISIT BY BISHOP JOHN WILSON

The newly appointed Bishop for the West Area, Bishop John Wilson, will be joining us for the **11.00am Mass on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February**. He would like to meet parishioners after Mass. It will be nice to see many of you and to give him a warm Feltham welcome.

### BARN DANCE

A big thank you to all who supported the Barn Dance, a sum of £388.50 was raised towards the new Parish Centre. Thank you too to all those who cooked and donated food for the evening.

## PARISH PILGRIMAGES

### WORLD YOUTH DAY – KRAKOW JULY 2016

SLYC is inviting you to join us on a pilgrimage to Poland for World Youth Day (WYD) with Pope Francis. WYD dates are from **18 July 2016 to Sunday 31 July 2016**, the cost will be £750 including travel and accommodation. To come on this trip you just need to be 16-35 years old and open to have a fun and life changing experience. If interested more information is available from Fr Chris.

### LOURDES 2016

Once again we will be travelling by coach to join the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, **23<sup>rd</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> July**. On the way to Lourdes we will be visiting the shrine of the Sacred Heart in Paray le Monial and on the return journey we will be stopping in Poitiers and Lisieux – the shrine of St Therese. Price £699 per person based on two sharing plus insurance £35.00), single room supplement £199 per person. Price includes full board whilst in Lourdes and half board at stops on route. If you are interested, please collect a booking form from the Parish Office.

There will be a meeting in the School Hall **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> February at 7.00pm** when you can hand in your booking forms and deposits and hear more about the trip. Deposits must be in by 25<sup>th</sup> February at the latest We will be looking for Redcaps so, youngsters (16+) please come along to the meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

### ST LAWRENCE 2016 PILGRIMAGE TO ROME - YEAR OF MERCY

There are still a few seats left on this pilgrimage. The pilgrimage will be from **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2016 to Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2016**. The cost is £884.00 per person on a half board basis, insurance £32.00 per person. If anyone would like to join please get a booking form from the Parish Office, complete and return with your deposit as soon as possible.

## REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Eamon O'Brien RIP, Victor Powers RIP, Margaret Carlton RIP and Kevin Stanton RIP**. Please also keep in your prayers their families and all who mourn them.

-The funeral of **Eamon O'Brien RIP** will take place here on **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February** at 12 noon

-The funeral of **Victor Powers RIP** will take place here on **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February** at 11 am.

- The funeral of **Margaret Carlton RIP** will take place here on **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** at 1.00pm

## OTHER

### NURSERY CLASS ADMISSIONS 2016

Dates for Fr Chris to sign Certificate of Catholic Practice for Nursery Applications:

**Tuesdays: 3.45 – 5.00pm**

**March 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>**

**April 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>**

**May 3<sup>rd</sup>**

- Please come along with your child and their Baptism Certificate.
- Sign up in Church porch (as we did for Reception applications).
- If you are applying for a school with an earlier deadline than 6<sup>th</sup> May 2016, please contact the Parish Office for an appointment. Please note Fr Chris will **not** be available 22<sup>nd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> February.

### CAFOD LENT FAST DAY: FRIDAY 19 FEBRUARY

This year CAFOD is working to ensure girls living in the world's poorest countries are free to change their lives by getting an education. CAFOD is working with local expert organisations around the world to bring water to family homes, so girls who used to spend hours collecting it every day, now have time for school, study and to play with their friends. A CAFOD Fast Day envelope is attached to the newsletter, fast this Friday and give as much as you can in next week's collection. Extra Good news: the UK government has promised to match every pound and penny you give to CAFOD this Lent!

### ANNUAL NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH

The Novena to St Joseph will take place from 10-18 March at St Joseph's Church in Maidenhead. Each year the Mill Hill Missionaries prepare for the Feast with a special novena of Masses and prayers for God's blessings on their society and the missionary outreach of the Church, as well as the intentions of those who support their work. You are invited to send in your petitions (forms at back of Church).

### CARITAS WESTMINSTER VOLUNTEER DAY

The volunteer Day is a chance for us to find motivation, inspiration and opportunities to volunteer. Where: Westminster Cathedral Hall, Ambrosden Avenue, London SW1P 1QJ When: **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March 10am-2pm**. Details on the notice board. If you would like to attend rsvp [caritaswestminster@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:caritaswestminster@rcdow.org.uk) or contact the Parish Office by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February.

### ST DUNSTAN'S, FELTHAM

An invitation to all on "How to Pray: Discovering how Prayer can change your life and your world" led by The Bishop of Kensington on **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February** from 7.15-9.15. Further details on the notice board.

### CAR PARKING

Please note that there is **NO PARKING** on the Church premises. **This applies to weekday and weekend parking**

**There is to be absolutely no double parking in the school car park.**

**PLEASE DO NOT PARK ANYWHERE ON THE GREEN AS IT IS FOR RESIDENTS' PRIVATE USE ONLY**

## Mass intentions and other services this week:

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| <b>Saturday 13<sup>th</sup></b><br>Lent Feria            | 11.00                          | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation |
|  | 11.45                          | Benediction   |
|  | 12.00                          | <b>Deceased members of the O'Hanlon Family RIP</b>                  |
|  | 12.30                          | Stations of the Cross   |
|  | 17.00                          | Sacrament of Reconciliation   |
| <b>18.00</b>   | <b>Power Family Intentions</b> |   |
| <b>+ Sunday 14<sup>th</sup></b><br>First Sunday of Lent  | <b>09.00</b>                   | <b>Mary Fogarty (Intentions)</b>                                    |
|  | <b>11.00</b>                   | <b>Pedrinha &amp; Franco Fernandes RIP</b>                          |
|  | <b>13.00</b>                   | <b>Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)</b>                                    |
|  | <b>18.00</b>                   | <b>People of the Parish</b>   |
| <b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup></b><br>Lent Feria              | 08.30                          | Eucharistic Adoration   |
|  | 09.15                          | Morning Prayer  |
|  | <b>09.30</b>                   | <b>Sue Jennings RIP</b>   |
| <b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup></b><br>Lent Feria             | 08.30                          | Eucharistic Adoration   |
|  | 09.15                          | Morning Prayer  |
|  | <b>09.30</b>                   | <b>Rosemary (Intentions) &amp; John Edwards RIP</b>                 |
|  | 10.00                          | Novena to Our Lady  |
|  | <b>12.00</b>                   | <b>FUNERAL MASS – EAMON O'BRIEN RIP</b>                             |
| <b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup></b><br>Lent Feria           | 08.30                          | Eucharistic Adoration   |
|  | <b>09.15</b>                   | Morning Prayer  |
|  | <b>09.30</b>                   | <b>Eamon O'Brien RIP</b>  |
| <b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup></b><br>Lent Feria            | 08.30                          | Eucharistic Adoration   |
|  | 09.15                          | Morning Prayer  |
|  | <b>09.30</b>                   | <b>Christina &amp; Augustus Stackpoole RIP (Anniversary)</b>        |
| <b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup></b><br>Lent Feria              | 08.30                          | Eucharistic Adoration   |
|  | 09.15                          | Morning Prayer  |
|  | <b>09.30</b>                   | <b>Celebrant's Intention</b>  |
|  | 10.00                          | Stations of the Cross   |
|  | <b>11.00</b>                   | <b>FUNERAL SERVICE – VICTOR POWERS RIP</b>                          |
| <b>Saturday 20<sup>th</sup></b><br>Lent Feria            | 11.00                          | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation |
|  | 11.45                          | Benediction   |
|  | <b>12.00</b>                   | <b>Caroline Synder (Intention)</b>                                  |
|  | 12.30                          | Stations of the Cross   |
|  | 17.00                          | Sacrament of Reconciliation   |
|  | <b>18.00</b>                   | <b>Sabina Alvares RIP</b>   |
| <b>+ Sunday 21<sup>st</sup></b><br>Second Sunday of Lent | <b>09.00</b>                   | <b>Neville &amp; Olive King RIP</b>                                 |
|  | <b>11.00</b>                   | <b>Roma Preston RIP (Anniversary)</b>                               |
|  | <b>13.00</b>                   | <b>Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)</b>                                    |
|  | <b>18.00</b>                   | <b>People of the Parish</b>   |

### Sanctuary Lamp: Janet Danladi (Intentions)

**Thank you for your generosity in last week's Offertory Collections:**

6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> February: Envelopes: £985.26 Loose: £904.83 Standing Orders: £554.00 **Total: £2,444.09**

**PARISH CENTRE UPDATE: MONEY BANKED AS AT 9/2/2016 – £65,504.70**

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