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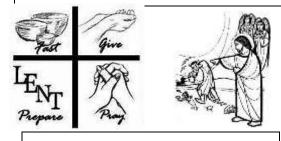
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First Sunday of Lent

20th/21st February 2021

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year B, Volume 1: Genesis 9:8-15; Psalm 24; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15 Next Week: Second Sunday of Lent: Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18; Psalm 115; Romans 8:31-34; Mark 9:2-10



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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

MASS INTENTIONS

If you wish to offer a Mass intention, please call Fr John on 0787 905 8732



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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

In the Gospel today for the 1st Sunday of Lent, the devil tempts Jesus, telling him that he can be in control. At times we may think that we are in control of our own destiny, but really God is. So, the challenge for us, during the season of Lent, is to come as close to God as we can.

This is the message for Lent – not to always get what we want but to want what we have got.

To appreciate the things we have in our lives and the blessings God has given us. At times life can be a real struggle but we must try and not let the problems get on top of us, and when we fall, we arise and begin again, relying on the loving mercy of God.

On this First Sunday of Lent we can thank God, whose name is Mercy:

We thank God for the gift of life. For the food we eat. We thank God for our families. For our friends. For all those we love and who love us. For those who have died. Perhaps we are still grieving, but we thank God for the gift of their lives while they were with us. May Mary, the Madonna of Mercy, sustain our faith and hope and help us care for one another, with gratitude in our hearts. We thank you God.

FR. JOHN

REMINDER: Please remember to leave the Church promptly at the end of Mass. You should not mix outside church and you are encouraged to go straight home after Mass

MASS TIMES

- Saturday 5pm Vigil Mass for Sunday in Church only
- Sunday 9am and 11am Church and the Parish Centre
- On Saturdays there will be Confessions at 10.30am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and 5.30pm.
- Weekday Masses Monday to Saturday will be celebrated in Church at 11.00am with limited numbers

LENT 2021 AT ST LAWRENCE'S

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Attached to the newsletter is a sheet with simple meditations on the Stations of the Cross. Also available on our website. Please take a copy.

As it is not possible to have public worship of the Stations, we encourage you, as an individual or with your family, to pray the Stations of the Cross one day of the week during Lent. Here are some links to websites that offer the Stations of the Cross: www.churchservices.tv (Westminster Cathedral on Fridays at 18.05); www.youtube.com (in the search engine type in "praying the Stations of the Cross" and there is a vast selection including Children's Stations and in ethnic languages.

LENTEN ALMS – The Cardinal's Appeal

This year our Lenten Alms will go towards the Cardinal's Appeal and collections will be taken up on Holy Thursday. There will also be a Lenten Alms 'wall' box situated near the entrance to the Sacristy. The money raised from the appeal will go towards the funding of Marriage and Family Life, Youth and Evangelisation and Social Outreach within Civil Society.

HEAVEN'S ROAD FM - CATHOLIC RADIO

A volunteer run Catholic community internet Radio affirming a mix of programmes including the Rosary, Holy Mass and many other prayers www.heavensradiofm.com.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY

The CAFOD Fast Day is on **Friday 5th March** and the collection will be taken up on the weekend of 6th/7th March. CAFOD envelopes will be available nearer the time.

DAILY WALK? SOMETHING POSITIVE THIS LENT.

Could you walk 10,000 Steps either on one day or everyday this Lent? The walk could be a sign of your solidarity with all those who do not have access to a safe water source and who have to walk for water each day. Find out more or sign up online at **cafod.org.uk/walk** and go the distance this Lent and help to end water poverty.

ANNUAL WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The world day of prayer takes place on **Friday 5th March** and the service material this year prepared by women in Vanatu. Reverend Anne Dollery will lead the service via Zoom. Opens at 2:45pm for a 3pm start. Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89795703443?pwd=UzFYR2xJS3R4ZUJ RUXd4VzFVMXV5QT09

Meeting ID: 897 9570 3443 Passcode: 752078

Bidding Prayers for the week:

In the struggle of Jesus with Satan he experienced his Father's care through the presence of the angels, so we pray that in our struggles with temptation, we will know that God's care for us is just as real.

- We remember Pope Francis, who has declared that "caring for the sick is not optional. May his efforts to support a world infected and affected by Covid-19 bring comfort and practical help to people longing for an end to the pandemic.
- For catechumens that they will be supported, encouraged and affirmed by their faith communities as they make the journey towards the new light of Faster
- For victims of violence and abuse that through the patient love of friends and family, they will come to accept their own dignity and beauty, and that a path of healing will open before them.
- For all gathered here that we enter deeply into the Lenten call to prayer, fasting and works of charity
- For people who are sick and feel they are a burden, for all who are in hospital and residential care, for those suffering with Covid-19, and for all those who love and care for them.
- **-For all the faithful departed**: that they may find rest for their souls and be led rejoicing through the gates of paradise.

Almighty Father, be merciful to us sinners, renew us in your Son Jesus, and let us walk confidently in the power of the Holy Spirit. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS

Anyone wishing to book in a baptism please contact Fr. John on his mobile 0787 905 8732 $\,$

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION 2020/2021

If your child is in year 2 or above in September 2020 and is not attending a Catholic School please email $\underline{\text{theresafernandes@aol.com}}$ for a registration form. This year classes will be by zoom.

RCIA COURSE 2020-21

If you or anyone you know is interested in learning more about the Catholic Church, either as an enquirer or a "returner", then the "RCIA" (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Course is for you!! For more information please contact me by email johntabor@rcdow.org.uk. Fr John Louis

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Eileen McWilliams, Frank Worley, Peter Fashoda Ageng and Oliver Lavery** and all those who have passed away recently.

- Peter Fashoda Ageng RIP His Requiem Mass will take place here on Wednesday, 24th February at 10.15am.
- Frank Worley RIP His funeral will take place at Hanworth Crematorium on Monday, 1st March.
- Eileen McWilliams RIP Her Requiem Mass will take place here on Tuesday, 2nd March at 11.00am

When there is a funeral in Church, the family and friends of the deceased take precedence over parishioners so numbers will be further restricted.

Please also keep in your prayers their families at this time.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine on them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

COVID RESTRICTIONS

We are in a national lockdown so please STAY AT HOME. Hounslow has one of the highest rates of the virus.

- Wear a face covering in Church and when you come into contact with people you do not normally meet
- Stay 2 metres apart from people you do not live with and you must not mingle with anyone outside of your household or support bubble
- Funerals: Funerals can be attended by a maximum of 30 people.
- NHS COVID-19 Test and Trace App: Please try and use this if you can.
- NHS staff urge non-English speaking Londoners to get the COVID-19 vaccine in these helpful videos: https://www.england.nhs.uk/london/our-work/covid-19-vaccine-communication-materials/

MASS INTENTIONS

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Sat 20	11am 5pm	Hannah Brinkley & David Pealing (intentions) Derek Fearon RIP (1st Anniversary)
Sun 21	9am	Sebastiao Pereira in Thanksgiving & Good Health [C]
	9am	People of the Parish [PC]
	11am	Thanksgiving to Mother Mary & Jesus [C]
	11am	People of the Parish [PC]
Mon 22	11am	Sr Juliana Doody RIP
Tues 23	11am	Arlo James Rafferty RIP (Baby)
Wed 24	10.15am	REQUIEM MASS –
		PETER FASHODA AGENG RIP
Thurs 25	11am	Pat Jayawardena (Intentions)
Fri 26	11am	Holy Souls of Tome Barreto and
		Salvasao Barreto RIP
Sat 27	11am	Malachy Longhran RIP
	5pm	Marie Hage RIP and Family
Sun 28	9am	Pamela Holland RIP [C]
	9am	People of the Parish [PC]
	11am	John Curley RIP [C]
	11am	People of the Parish [PC]
Sanctuary Lamp: For all those suffering from Covid-19		

Dear Friends

Our parishioner's response to our appeal to help with our parish funds by paying through standing order, cash or cheque has been tremendous – **THANK YOU!** For those who would like to take advantage of the standing order facility we have in place, our parish bank details are:

HSBC Bank: WRCDT Feltham

Sort code: 40-05-20 – Account No: 71095528

Thank you for your continued generosity.

FR. JOHN AND FR. JOHN LOUIS