

# ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM

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First Sunday of Lent

25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> February 2023



Year A, Volume 1 (Page 151): Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Psalm 50; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11

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## HEARTFELT THANKS AND CONGRATULATIONS

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### Protecting your Privacy:

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Mass and other liturgies live streamed from Westminster Cathedral and other parishes are available at [www.churchservices.tv](http://www.churchservices.tv)

### MASS TIMES

Sunday Mass: 8.00am, 9.30am and 11.00am

Monday to Friday Mass: 9.30am; Saturday Morning: 11.00am

Saturday Morning: Confessions: 9.30am to 10.45am with

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,

Saturday Evening: 5.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday

*Ethnic Chaplaincies:* Polish Mass every Sunday 1.00pm, Ukrainian

Mass 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 2.30pm & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday 7.00pm; Malayalam Mass 3<sup>rd</sup>

Sunday 2.30pm; Mass in Tagalog 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday 3pm; Mass led by

Nigerian Chaplaincy 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday 2.30pm.

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

I am so pleased to write to you today and tell you that the loan on the Parish Centre has now been paid off. Over the past 7 years your contributions have been immense. I know that great sacrifices have been made.

The original loan was over £700,000 and it is now zero! We must never take for granted the wonderful gift that is community – our community. I am so grateful to you all for the hard work you put into paying off the parish debit – all the fundraising events over the years and your regular contributions, as well as the bricks in the parish centre. Thank you and congratulations.

We are so fortunate to live with people here in St. Lawrence's Parish who care for one another and support each other in different ways. I am so grateful to the many good people who have gone from this life, marked with the sign of faith, and who were very generous in helping to pay off the parish centre loan. May God reward them.

The Parish Centre is now used for many activities such as:

Breakfast club

Bright Sparks (mother and toddler group)

After school club

Connect (a club for those with special needs)

Many catechetical programmes and liturgies

Over 50's - U.C.M.

Knights of St. Columba - Drama

Teas and Coffees - Meetings

Of course, there will always be ongoing expenses for the up-keep of the Parish Centre, The Presbytery and the Church. Thank you for your continued generosity, it is very much appreciated. Perhaps we should have a parish celebration to mark the achievement? Let us celebrate this great achievement with an International Mass on Sunday 7th May at 11.00am, followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre. It can be a joint celebration of the King's Coronation.

Today is the 1st Sunday of Lent and our Lenten days are full of promise. The earth renews itself. And we pray with the psalmist in today's readings:

*'give me again the joy of your help*

*With a spirit of fervour sustain me*

*O Lord open my lips*

*And I shall declare your praise' (Ps.50)*

FR. JOHN

# LENT 2023 AT ST LAWRENCE'S



## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed Tuesday to Friday from 8.30am-9.25am and on Monday from 8.45-9.25am. Also on Saturday morning from 10.00am-10.45am and Tuesday evenings from 6.00pm-6.45pm except Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March.



## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays at 10.00am, Saturday at 11.30am and Wednesdays at 7.30pm (Polish).



## JOINT SERVICE FOR THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:

The Women's World Day of Prayer 2023 will be held in St Michael & St Martin Church, 94 Bath Road, Hounslow TW3 3EH on **Friday, March 3rd** at 11.00 am. Everybody is welcome to join in praying for peace in our troubled world. The service this year has been prepared by the women of Taiwan.



## CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY

Theresa Butcher will be speaking at all Masses this weekend. CAFOD Family Fast Day is **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**, a day when we eat simply and give generously to support families around the world. This Lent, CAFOD is supporting families with the skills and tools they've asked for to fight the climate crisis. In Bangladesh, 14 year old Dristy and her mum Rupali are building seed beds and planting palm trees to protect their crops from flooding and cyclones. Give today to help families grow in strength to adapt the climate crisis. Use the CAFOD envelope to Gift Aid your donation, which boosts your donation by 25 per cent. The QR code on the envelope is also an easy way to jump to the CAFOD website to donate online. The collection will be taken up on **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March**.



We also have a Coffee Morning on **5<sup>th</sup> March** after the 9.30am and 11.00am Masses which includes a Tombola stall. We now have enough for the stall, thank you for your donations.

Also available in the porch are some CAFOD collection boxes which you can take home and fill with your loose change during Lent. Please return any filled boxes to the presbytery by 6<sup>th</sup> April.

If you'd like to donate to the Turkey-Syria Earthquake appeal – you can do so on CAFOD's website.

## PASSION PLAY

There will be a play here in Church on The Passion organised by the Youth of St Michael & St Martin's Church on **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm**. This is a free event and all are welcome/encouraged to attend.



## PARISH PRAYER HOME VISIT

### LENTEN ALMS – The Cardinal's Appeal

This year our Lenten Alms will go towards the Cardinal's Appeal and the next collection will be taken up on **Holy Thursday**. There will also be a Lenten Alms 'wall' box situated by the entrance to the sacristy. Funds raised this year will be shared between the four pillars of the Cardinal's Lenten Appeal: Marriage & Family Life; Youth & Evangelisation; The Education Service and Caritas Westminster. The effects of the pandemic, followed by the cost of living crisis, are still making daily life harder for all. Price rises last year meant many families faced an impossible choice: HEAT or EAT? And this crisis is far from over. The Church continues to respond, with thousands of people putting their faith into action by serving those in need. Cardinal Nichols has expressed his gratitude to everyone who supports the Appeal, with whatever they can afford. And for those who can't give financially, your time is a priceless commodity – please see the posters on how you can volunteer in the diocese and help those in need. Please take a donation envelope today, for more information. You can use the QR code to make your donation online. Thank you for your generosity.



### CAFOD'S WALK AGAINST HUNGER LENT CHALLENGE

This Lent, challenge yourself to walk 200km, and help give hunger its marching orders. Do 5k a day, your way, for 40 days, get sponsored and you'll conquer your 200km target in time for Easter – and help people around the world as they overcome poverty. To find out more or take part, go to: [walk.cafod.org.uk](http://walk.cafod.org.uk).

*Aneta Oskerova from our parish is taking up the challenge and you can donate on <https://cafod.enthuse.com/pf/anetax> and read her updates on her progress*

## FLOWERS

**DO NOT** bring in flowers to decorate the altar or any of the statues or the side altars during Lent.

# MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 25	11.00am 5.00pm	Karen Puddle (Intention) Michael O'Keeffe RIP
* Sun 26	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am  1.00pm 2.30pm	Sebastiana Rato RIP Vitor Manuel Elias RIP Glenda & Daniel Fernandes (Personal Intentions) Mass in Polish (Msza sw) Mass led by the African Chaplaincy
Mon 27	8.15am 9.30am	Sebyson & Flora Pereira in Thanksgiving Noreen Ray RIP (Birthday Remembrance)
Tues 28	9.30am 10.45am  7.00pm	Melissa Rumilla Pereira in Thanksgiving REQUIEM MASS – KHANG DUC NGUYEN RIP Maria D'Lima (Intentions)
Wed 1 Mar	9.30am	Deceased members of the Webb Family RIP
Thurs 2	9.30am	Camilo Fernandes RIP (Birthday Remembrance)
Fri 3	9.30am	Barbara Walsh in Thanksgiving
Sat 4	11.00am  5.00pm	Deceased members of the O'Hanlon Family RIP Power Family Intentions
* Sun 5	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am  1.00pm	Reed Fernandes – 13 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Thanksgiving Jeremiah O'Gorman RIP Brian Beagan RIP (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary) Mass in Polish (Msza sw)
Sanctuary Lamp: Janet Danladi in Thanksgiving		

## REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of Khang Duc Nguyen RIP, John Hanlon RIP and Seán Tompkins RIP who have passed away recently.

**Khang Duc Nguyen RIP** – His Requiem Mass will take place here on **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February** at 10.45am.

We also keep in our prayers all the family and friends who mourn them. May they rest in eternal peace.

## OVER 50'S GROUP

The group resume this week on 1 Mar.

## FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS AND ADORATION

On **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**, devotions to the Sacred Heart and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will begin after the Stations of the Cross.

## REPOSITORY

We thank those who have volunteered to look after the Repository which will be open after the weekend Masses. Saturday 5pm – Patti Owen, Sunday 8am – Annie Burke, 9.30am – Victor Fernandes, 11am – Maria Wolanska and Delilah Fernandes. Weekdays: John/Clyffton/Florie.

## FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT

This year Fairtrade Fortnight runs from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February to Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March. Please look out for goods displaying the Fairtrade logo in local shops and supermarkets

## BACH'S ST JOHN PASSION

As part of its Lenten devotions, Westminster Cathedral Choir will perform of J.S. Bach's St John Passion on **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023** at 7.30pm. Parishioners of the diocese now have the opportunity to buy their tickets at a discount of 50%. The Cathedral Choir will be accompanied by a period Baroque orchestra and joined by outstanding soloists James Gilchrist and Roderick Williams, and directed by the Cathedral's Master of Music, Simon Johnson. Poster on noticeboard. Discounted tickets are available at: <https://www.ticketmaster.co.uk/event/1F005D88A31F16CD?did=saint50jo> [hn](https://www.ticketmaster.co.uk/event/1F005D88A31F16CD?did=saint50jo). Please enter the password: SJP50 to obtain the discount.

## HOPE FOR A NEW BEGINNING – A WEEKEND FOR THE

**WIDOWED, SEPARATED AND DIVORCED** from 21 – 23 April 2023 at The Sion Community, Sawyers Hall Lane, Brentwood, Essex CM15 9BX. Beginning Experience is a ministry to the widowed, separated and divorced led by a team of trained volunteers. Their work is carried out at special weekend gatherings which encourage participants to deal with the natural process of grief and loneliness. For further details please contact Freda: 01322 838415, Maura: 07795 498455 or [besouthofengland@gmail.com](mailto:besouthofengland@gmail.com)

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS

18-19 February 2023

Loose: £1163.79 Envelopes: £191.50 **Total: £1,355.29**  
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