

ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

21st/22nd January 2023

Year A, Volume 1 (Page 127): Isaiah 8:23, 9:3; Psalm 26; 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17; Matthew 4:12-23

Sunday 29th January – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Page 130): Zephaniah 2:3, 3:12-13; Psalm 145; 1 Corinthians 1:26-31;

Matthew 5:1-12



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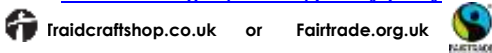
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Sr Nora Gorman, Sr Monica Killeen

Protecting your Privacy:

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



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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 2nd Sunday 2.30pm & 4th Saturday 7.00pm; Malayalam Mass 3rd Sunday 2.30pm; Mass in Tagalog 4th Saturday 3pm; Mass led by Nigerian Chaplaincy 4th Sunday 2.30pm.

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

Forming our Young People

Would you like to support them by sponsoring their Retreat?

Our Youth Formation courses for 2023 are underway again. We have about a hundred preparing for First Holy Communion (13, 20 & 27th May) and a hundred students preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation (3 & 17 June).

What a joy and privilege it is to have the opportunity to share our faith with the young, and to help form them. Formation includes growth in understanding, using the intellect, but also forming our attitudes towards God so that we can dispose ourselves towards the things of God – his Word and the Sacraments - so that we can readily and whole heartedly participate in the life of the Church. Participating in the Sacramental life is sharing in his Divine Life. We are all constantly being formed as we allow God near to shape us. Our young people have been told that just as to become a good athlete or a pianist, you have to train, you have to practise, so it is with faith: you have to practise our faith.

But it is not merely like learning a skill. Formation is relational. What are the elements that make up a relationship? Surely: openness to the other, listening, faithfulness, forming good habits, constancy, repetition, self-discipline and so on. To grow up into an adult means that you can't constantly be looking for entertainment or excitement and self-gratification. And so too with life in God's Spirit.

The Holy Spirit gives us the gifts we need to live a virtuous life and awe and reverence for God, with understanding and wisdom and sound knowledge of the things of God. (Isaiah 11.2). These gifts are conferred on each candidate at Confirmation like seeds sown in our hearts, but they require a response, practise, prayer to grow.

Would you like to support or sponsor our young people financially in their formation, particularly the Confirmation Candidates? They are undergoing a course of 9 sessions and then we plan to take them on retreat for a weekend at the Youth Centre in Pinner - <https://dowym.com>

This costs £105 for each candidate. There will be envelopes for a retiring collection next weekend (28/29 January) and a permanent collection wall box for our Youth programmes near our Lady's shrine in church. Any contributions would be gratefully received.

Why a retreat? Retreating from everyday life is invaluable for anyone. In a retreat one goes away from one's regular pattern of life, it takes time to arrive and unwind, to start to let go, quieten down, and then practise in a more intense way focussing on God and receive from him what he longs to give us. A retreat allows one's relationship with God to deepen. We can give thanks for our lives and all its many blessings, ask him for our needs and guidance in our lives, and also for forgiveness and healing for what makes relating to him difficult.

Please don't hesitate to ask us for more information.

Thank you for considering assisting.

God Bless

Fr David and Cathy Early (Catechetical Co-ordinator)

**CONFIRMATION PRAYER
FOR THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

*Spirit of God, grant me:
The gift of wisdom to see the world through your eyes,
The gift of counsel to make difficult decisions,
The gifts of knowledge and understanding to use my
mind to know you and to love you,
The gift of fortitude to have the courage to live in the
faith despite the difficulties and disappointments,
The gift of piety to be able to express my special love
And commitment to you, And the right kind of
awesome fear that makes me pause to wonder and
revere God's Love. Amen.*

CONFIRMATION 2023

Enrolment for Confirmation is now closed.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

We require additional volunteers for Children's Liturgy at the 11am Mass. Please speak to Cathy Early or email her (address on front page) if you are able to help.

NURSERY SCHOOL FORM SIGNING

Fr John will be available for School Form signing in the coming weeks. Please **put your name down** (on the church porch notice board) on the **relevant sheet for the date you can attend**. There are 15 slots for each date. Please wait in Church. Please bring your child with you and all the forms you need, including their Baptism Certificate.

FLAME 2023

The biggest Catholic youth event in the UK is returning to London, as CYMFED organise Flame 2023. Saturday 4 March at Wembley Arena, Arena Square, Engineers Way, London, HA9 0AA. Discounted ticket price until 31st January £24.00: Tickets/passes on sale at cymfed.org.uk/flame. Age range: 14 years to university. Doors open at 11am for 12noon start and finishes at 5.40pm. Take a packed lunch and drinks in plastic bottles **no** glass or tin cans allowed. The theme of Flame 2023 takes the World Youth Day Scripture "Mary arose and went in haste" and crystallises it into the theme "Rise Up!". Rise up after the pandemic, Rise up as young Catholics, Rise up – as Mary did – for the surprising and beautiful adventure that is our Catholic faith.

31ST WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

Saturday 11th February 2023 is the 31st World Day of the Sick, the Memoria of Our Lady of Lourdes. There will be a Mass for the Sick at the Cathedral at 2.30pm, celebrated by the Cardinal, during which Anointing of the Sick will be offered. Arrangements are different this year. If anyone would like to attend please see Florie in the Parish Office as attendance is by ticket system and in categories as below. The tickets will be posted to us.

Tickets are in three categories:

- Wheelchair users who require anointing
- Walking sick who require anointing
- Those assisting the sick, who do not require anointing.

MASS INTENTION BOOKINGS

If you would like to book a Mass Intention, please use the yellow request sheets available in the porch and return with your stipend.

ST LAWRENCE SCHOOL APPEAL

There will be a talk by some of the Governors at all Masses the weekend of 10/11 February regarding raising funds for the new classrooms that were built. A collection will be taken up at all Masses on 18/19 February.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 21	11.00am 5.00pm	Matiza Family Intentions Marita Bote (Special Intentions)
* Sun 22	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 1.00pm 2.30pm	John Igboanugo Junior RIP Sr Maura Halpin & Sr Maureen Murphy (Intentions) Jonas Gjeka (Special Intention) Mass in Polish (Msza sw) Mass led by the Nigerian Chaplaincy
Mon 23	8.15am 9.30am	Martin Kehoe RIP Deceased members of the Keaveney Family RIP
Tues 24	9.30am 7.00pm	Joan O'Gorman and Family (Intentions) Zane Cabral – Good Health
Wed 25	9.30am	Sr Geraldine Lawlor & Team (Intention)
Thurs 26	9.30am	Andrea McManus RIP
Fri 27	9.30am	Tolentina D'Souza RIP (1 st Anniversary)
Sat 28	11.00am 5.00pm	Michael McManus RIP Helen Abiegbe in Thanksgiving
* Sun 29	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 1.00pm	Lawrence D'Souza RIP (4 th Anniversary) Tolentina D'Souza RIP Ronald Henry RIP (Anniversary) Mass in Polish (Msza sw)
Sanctuary Lamp: Kurt Kosin RIP		

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of Khang Duc Nguyen RIP, Patrick Ellis RIP, John Hanlon RIP, John Tomkins RIP and Agnes Windsor (nee Nicol) RIP who have passed away recently.

Patrick Ellis RIP – His Requiem Mass will take place at St Edmunds, Whitton on **Friday 27th January** at 12noon.

John Hanlon RIP – His Requiem Mass will take place here on **Wednesday 15th February** at 12 noon.

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

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

WANTED NOW!!

Play worker need for TEDDS afterschool club at St Lawrence's Parish Centre, Feltham, Monday to Friday 3-6pm when required. Training will be given. Need to like children, be enthusiastic, patient and have a good sense of humour. Ring 07971 994669 Sarah or Julie.

EARLY RISERS BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club at St Lawrence's Parish Centre Monday to Friday term time. Run by qualified DBS checked staff, providing a safe and caring environment. A healthy breakfast is provided. Open at 7.30am until school starts. For further information, please contact Kate Prasad, Play Leader on 07539 498952 between 7.30am-8.30am.

FIRE WARDEN TRAINING AND RECRUITMENT

For those who have volunteered to be Fire Wardens, Deacon Rolly will be conducting a Training Session on **Saturday 28th January** from 1pm-2pm.

There is still a need for more people to volunteer as a Fire Warden at Mass. Please speak to Deacon Rolly. There are sheets at the back of Church to put your details.

!!NO PARKING AT ST LAWRENCE'S 24th JANUARY!!

On **Tuesday 24th January**, Affinity Water will be doing some necessary work on The Green and there will be no road access to the Church that day. Please use other car parks or travel by public transport that day.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS

14-15 January 2023

Loose: £1461.60 Envelopes: £223.97

Christmas Envelopes: £30.00 **Total: £1,715.57**

December:

Standing Orders: £3963.50 Online Donations r: £100

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