



# St Lawrence Catholic Church

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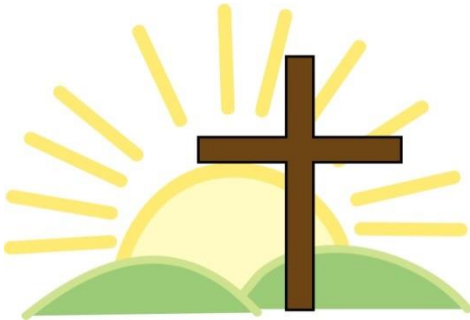
**Third Sunday of the Year**

**21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> January 2017**

**Readings: Parish Mass Book Year A, Volume 1:** (Missal Page: 127): Isaiah 8:23, 9:3; Psalm 26; 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17;

Matthew 4:12-23

**Next Week: – Fourth Sunday of the Year** Page 130: Zephaniah 2:3, 3:12-13; Psalm 145; 1 Corinthians 1:26-31; Matthew 5:1-12



## Christ Our Light

Dear Friends

A young man was returning by sea from Italy to England, while the boat was detained in Sicily he fell ill and nearly died. During his convalescence he wrote these words; 'Lead kindly light amid the encircling gloom!' The young man was John Henry Newman who later became a Cardinal and is now beatified. His picture is here in our Church.

He believed that the prophecy of Isaiah had come true. "People who walked in darkness have seen a great light". (Today's first reading and Gospel).

We too can have our moments of darkness. The death of a loved one, an unexpected rejection, a smashed dream, the loss of good health can throw us into temporary darkness. In these moments we believe the light of Christ can illuminate the shadows of our hearts and guide us through rough times, until we reach the haven of peace and calm.

Jesus calls some of his Apostles to follow him and he calls each one of us too, to bring his light to those in darkness, to bring faith to those who doubt, hope to the fearful, strength to the weak and comfort to the sorrowful.

In today's Gospel this mission is entrusted to all of us, altar servers, readers, Eucharistic ministers, choirs, welcomers, teachers, catechists, parents – in fact all who are baptised are called to share in this mission of Jesus. We are all called to become apostles of light here in St. Lawrence's parish.

**FR. JOHN**

**Sunday Mass: Saturday 6 pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 9 am, 11 am, 1pm (Polish) & 6 pm**

**Weekday Mass: Monday - Friday 9.30am, Saturday 12 noon**

**Morning Prayer: Monday – Friday - 9.15am, Novena to Our Lady: Tuesdays: 10am**

**Exposition and Benediction: Saturdays: 11am**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) - Saturday 11am & 5pm**

## PARISH NOTICES

### BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS

We extend a warm welcome to Kenisi Lizzy Woods, Alexander George Matias Mann, Tobias Chezuthanikal and Eden Olisaemeka Egbeni who were baptised this weekend and offer our warmest congratulations to their families.

### COFFEE MORNING FOR ZIMBABWEAN ORPHANS

Thank you for your support. A sum of £325.00 was raised and will be delivered personally by Helen Hurley to the Missions who look after the Orphans.

### UCM

The UCM will meet on **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January** at 7.30pm. We will enjoy the evening with a "Bring and Buy" sale for charity and a Quiz for Fun. All ladies of the parish are invited.

### PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND

There will be a meeting for all those going to the Holy Land on **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February** at 12.45am in the Parish Centre.

We will be hiring a coach to transport us from Feltham to Luton Airport and back. The cost per person for the return journey is £15.00. Please could you pay this money to Florie in the Parish Office as soon as possible.

### COFFEE MORNING

There will be a Cake and Coffee Morning on **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February** after the 9am and 11am Masses – proceeds for the Parish Centre. Donations of cakes would be appreciated.

### CHOIR LOFT TIDY UP

There is to be a 'tidy-up' of the Choir Loft including the store room within the next few weeks. If anyone has items stored in the Loft and would like to keep it, please stick a sign to that effect. All items that are unmarked will be recycled.

## OTHER

### CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BEDFONT, FELTHAM AND HANWORTH

There will be an Ecumenical Service to celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity **this Sunday** at 4.00pm at Hanworth Methodist Church, Churchfields Avenue, Hanworth TW13 5NT. All are welcome to attend.

### MARY'S MEALS Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February



Mary's Meals will be coming to our Church in a couple of week's time to take away your unwanted clothing and bedding (**no duvets or pillows or books please**).

Over the next few weeks please collect your unwanted clothes and put them in tied sacks. Then **before 12 noon on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February** bring them with you when you come to Mass. Not only will you be getting rid of unwanted clothes/bedding and giving yourself a little more space but you will also benefit a really worthwhile charity.

Mary's Meals feeds children one good meal every day at school in over 12 countries. Because of our low costs we can do this for as little as £12.20 per child per year!

### CAN A DIVORCED PERSON MARRY IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

To talk about this and answer any questions you may have such as: 'Do non-Catholics who have married before in a Register Office need an annulment to marry a Catholic?' 'Will it cost a lot of money?' 'If a marriage has been consummated can annulment still be sought?' Mgr. John Conneely, Judicial Vicar of the Westminster Tribunal, will be speaking about the subject of 'ANNULMENTS' on **Tuesday 24 January at 19:00** at SS Michael and Martin's, Hounslow., and on **Tuesday 28 February at 19:00** at Our Lady of Grace and St Edwards's, Chiswick.

### WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL MASS IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

This year's Mass will take place at **2pm on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February**. Archbishop Vincent Nichols will preside, and as in previous years, the Mass will include the Sacrament of the Sick. All are welcome, no seat reservations or tickets. If you are bringing a wheelchair please let your parish office know by **3<sup>rd</sup> February** so that a space can be reserved for wheelchair and carer. The Sacrament of the

Sick will be administered during the Mass by the bishops and priests. If attending the Mass, please encourage those who do not need a wheelchair to sit in the main body of the Cathedral, and not in a side chapel.

### Join our team of school volunteers

CAFOD is looking for volunteers to raise awareness of our work in Catholic primary and secondary schools in this area. You will help to inspire children and young people in how they can act in making the world a fairer place in conjunction with their faith. You can find out more at our Understanding CAFOD day on **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> January** at St Francis of Assisi Parish, Stratford E15 or **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February** at Amigo Hall, Lambeth SE1. To book please call 0208-449-6970, or email [jjarvis@cafod.org.uk](mailto:jjarvis@cafod.org.uk). Volunteers will be accepted on successful completion of interview, training days and a DBS (Disclosure and barring service) check.

## REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of Francisca Do Rosario and Janet Dhliwayo who died recently. Their funerals will take place as follows:

**Francisca Do Rosario RIP – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January at 10.30am** at St Lawrence's. Please note that this is the only Mass in Church that day.

**Janet Dhliwayo RIP – Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January at 10.20am** at Hanworth Crematorium.

Please keep in your prayers all the family and friends who mourn them.

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

14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup>: Envelopes £834.05 Loose: £822.48  
Standing Orders: £785.80 **Total: £2,441.53**

### PARISH CENTRE UPDATE:

**Money banked as at 17/1/2017 – £95,339.24**

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 21 <sup>st</sup>	11.00-11.30 11.45 12.00 12.45  17.00 18.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation Benediction Ray Palmer RIP Baptisms of Kenisi Lizzy Woods, Alexander George Matias Mann, Tobias Chezuthanikal and Eden Olisaemeka Egbeni Sacrament of Reconciliation Kay Day RIP
Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup>	09.00 11.00 13.00 14.30 18.00	People of the Parish John & Kathleen Hamill RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) Mass led by the African Community John Edwards RIP (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary)
Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup>	09.30	Deceased members of the Keaveney Family RIP
Tues 24 <sup>th</sup>	09.30	Lina Field RIP
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup>	09.30	Sr Mellitus Lawlor RIP (Anniversary)
Thurs 26 <sup>th</sup>	09.30	Francisca Do Rosario RIP
Fri 27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>10.30</b>	<b>FUNERAL MASS – FRANCISCA DO ROSARIO RIP</b>
Sat 28 <sup>th</sup>	11.00-11.30 11.45 12.00 15.00  18.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation Benediction Helen Abiegbe in Birthday Thanksgiving Mass in Tagalog for the Filipino Community No Sacrament of Reconciliation Luxman Goonewardena RIP
Sun 29 <sup>th</sup>	09.00 11.00  13.00 18.00	Desmond Reghelini RIP Fran Ballantyne (Intention) Baptism of Serenah Mary Kell Lloyd Smeath Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) People of the Parish
Sanctuary Lamp: Constancio Fernandes & Custodio Rodrigues RIP		