

ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM

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Fourth Sunday of the Year

30th/31st January 2021

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year B, Volume 1: Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Psalm 94; 1 Corinthians 7:32-35; Mark 1:21-28

Next Week: Fifth Sunday of the Year: Job 7:1-4, 6-7; Psalm 146; 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23; Mark 1:29-39



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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



Mass and other liturgies live streamed from Westminster Cathedral and other parishes are available at www.churchservices.tv

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

JESUS MAKES A DEEP IMPRESSION

One day a young student was walking in the school ground, when he met his favourite teacher, and asked 'how are you?'. The teacher paused for a long moment, thinking about it before replying 'I'm fine thanks for asking'.

At that moment, the student wasn't sure what to make of it. The meeting stayed in his mind for years afterwards. He appreciated that the teacher had thought about his question, and to this day it has made him stop and think every time he asks someone or is asked 'how are you?'

The teacher had taken an everyday question, and everyday language and infused it with new meaning. It made an impression on the young student.

The people who listened to Jesus' teaching in today's Gospel were used to hearing scribes and teachers in the synagogue. But with Jesus they were hearing something new.

We don't know what Jesus was teaching that day, or what kind of language he was using, but what struck the people was that he taught with authority.

Jesus had drawn them in, but they could not quite put their finger on it. 'What does it all mean?' they asked each other. He made them think and they recognised that Jesus was offering something new, something different. Jesus had made a deep impression on them.

'Here is a teaching that is new' they said and with authority behind it. He gives orders even to unclean spirits and they obey him' And his reputation rapidly spread everywhere, through all the surrounding Galilean countryside' (Mk 1:21-28)

FR. JOHN

REDUCTION OF MASSES

This coming week there will be **no** public Masses on Thursday 4th February and Friday 5th February.

Saturday 6th February - there will be **no** 5.00pm Mass.

On Sunday 7th February there will be **no** 9.00am and 11.00am Mass in the Parish Centre

All the intentions for the above cancelled Masses will be said in private.

Bidding Prayers for the week:

We turn with confidence to God our Father, knowing that when we come to him in our need, he will help us:

We pray for the Church, especially in those areas of the world where Christ's followers face opposition and even open persecution.

We remember all our brothers and sisters around the world who face racial discrimination. We ask you Lord to open the minds and hearts of those who show prejudice against them and we pray that we will not show prejudice against others

We pray for those who suffer from the effects of drink, drugs or other addictions: that the Lord will deliver them from the things that imperil their life and happiness.

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.

God our Father, we ask you to transform us in your image and help us to become the people you have called us to be. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SACRAMENTS

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 theresafernandes@aol.com for a registration form. This year classes will be by zoom. We require your child to take part in classes for one year prior to being prepared to receive First Holy Communion. Further details will be on the application form.

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!! It's an opportunity to ask all those questions you thought up, but never quite got round to asking!! There is no commitment at the early stage – you may have a taster and decide you want to continue, or perhaps come back later on. This year, as with other Sacramental Classes, the course will be delivered via Zoom, at a time to be agreed with the participants. For more information please contact me by email johnntabor@rcdow.org.uk. Fr John Louis

MASS TIMES- See Front page for changes

- Sunday 9am and 11am Church
- On Saturdays there will be Confessions at 10.30am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Mass at 11am.
- Weekday Masses Monday to Saturday will be celebrated in church at 11.00am with limited numbers

ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC SCHOOL - 'THE HUB'

As a school we have successfully launched 'The Hub' this week. This is a resource for our community to access support during these difficult times. We currently are able to offer food parcels including toiletries and cleaning products. If you require any of the above or know someone who does please contact us on Thehub@st-lawrence.hounslow.sch.uk. Your request will be handled confidentially and we will organise collection at a time which suits. You can also contact Fr John on his mobile 0787 905 8732.

NEED HELP OR EXPERIENCING DIFFICULTY?

Once again as we enter lockdown Caritas Westminster are able to offer some help with food vouchers. If you or anyone you know is experiencing financial difficulty at this time please contact Bridget Brinkley on 07805 299 941 or e-mail mbridgetb@yahoo.co.uk. I will help you complete a short application form so you can get the necessary help you need. Please text, WhatsApp or leave a voice mail and I will return any call I miss ASAP. Please continue to pray for each other at this difficult time for so many and please keep in contact with others, no one should be alone during this time. *Bridget*

DAILY WALK? SOMETHING POSITIVE THIS LENT.

Could you walk 10000 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.

Racial Justice Sunday 2021 is on 31st January

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/events/racial-justice-sunday-2021/>

We have received a few Church Art calendars which are on sale in the repository at £1.00 each. Please see Roly.

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of Peter Fashoda Ageng, Bishop Patrick O'Donohue, Monsignor Mark Langham, Francis Buchanan Hoffland, Neville George Gill, Keith Alan Boorsma, John Curley and Pamela Holland and all those who have passed away recently.

- Francis Hoffland RIP – His Requiem Mass will take place here on Monday, 1st February at 11.00am.

- Neville Gill RIP – His Requiem Mass will take place here on Tuesday, 2nd February at 11.00am.

- Keith Boorsma RIP – His funeral will take place at Hanworth Crematorium on Wednesday 3rd February.

At both Requiems taking place in church please note that under the Covid-19 regulations only 30 people are allowed and family will take precedence so please stay away.

John Curley's funeral arrangements will be published shortly. 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.

UPDATE ON COVID RESTRICTIONS

FROM BISHOP JOHN SHERRINGTON/LOCAL AUTHORITY:

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

Places of worship: Open for communal worship or private prayer but people cannot interact with anyone outside household or support bubble.

Please stay at home unless you have to go out. No household mixing aside from support bubbles. If you have had your vaccination, don't think you are safe to go out please stay home for at least the next three weeks or your next dose.

Please remember: Hands, Face, Space:

- Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds

- 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, Wakes up to 6 people. Anyone working i.e. the priest, cantor, organist, pallbearers, stewards, etc. is not included in the 30.

Baptisms: Maximum of 6 including the child to be baptised. Currently suspended until further notice.

Weddings: From 20th December weddings are not allowed except in exceptional circumstances.

NHS COVID-19 Test and Trace App: Please try and use this if you can.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 30	11am 5pm	Noreen McHale RIP People of the Parish
Sun 31	9am 9am 11am 11am	Liam Bunce RIP [C] Ann Bagnall (Intentions) [PC] Rosa Braganza RIP [C] People of the Parish [PC]
Mon 1	11am	REQUIEM MASS – FRANCIS HOFFLAND RIP
Tues 2	11am	REQUIEM MASS – NEVILLE GILL RIP
Wed 3	11am	Eamon O'Brien RIP
Thurs 4	Private	Francis Treharne RIP
Fri 5	Private	Jill and Tony Smith RIP
Sat 6	11am Private	Noreen McHale RIP Maria Filomena Dominica Fernandes – Birthday Remembrance RIP
Sun 7	9am Private 11am Private	Zaniel Marques – 1 st Birthday Thanksgiving [C] Hannah & David Pealing (Intentions) Sr Maureen Murphy and Family [C] Neville Gill RIP
Sanctuary Lamp: For all those suffering from Covid		

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