

ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM

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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10th/11th July 2021

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year B, Volume 2: Amos 7:12-15; Psalm 84; Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:7-1
Next Week: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Jeremiah 23:1-6; Psalm 22; Ephesians 2:13-18; Mark 6:30-34



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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 Florie or visit the office on a Monday or Thursday 9.30am-12.30pm

 traidcraftshop.co.uk or Fairtrade.org.uk 

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

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Dear Friends

There is an old saying "Familiarity breeds contempt" which I guess to a greater or lesser extent we are all guilty of. It could be contempt towards our employer, a club or society to which we are members or even towards members of our own families.

In today's first reading Amoziah quite literally tells Amos to "Go back to his own country and to earn his living there." Well that certainly tells us that racism is nothing new and that even in biblical times there were people who could not see foreigners as anything more than a threat. It is ironic that in a week when the England football team has done so well, that the fact that eight of the starting eleven in the first team are descended from immigrants, somehow seems to be overlooked by the media. The same reasoning can be applied to health care workers and many other trades and professions.

It is far too easy for us to be blind to the nature of things or people and, as a result, not take full advantage of those blessings that others bring to us.

Exactly the same applies to our membership of Christ's Catholic Church. We are of course still living with the pandemic and I realise that it is not always possible to admit everyone to church. But even if we are unable to admit you to the building you will always be members of God's family with Jesus our Lord as both its living head and its treasure. All too often we take our membership of it for granted and as a result not make full use of the blessings which we enjoy from God. And it is in today's second reading that St Paul tells us that in Christ every heavenly blessing is to be found in His Body, The Church. Were it not for the loving providence of God any one of us could have been born outside of our church or possibly not even born at all. Surely this should inspire us to appreciate what the church really is and to go out, as the apostles went out, to do God's work in our communities and in our workplaces.

Have a blessed week,

Deacon Colin

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, even though some restrictions have been lifted. The Indian Variant is very high in the Hounslow borough and we have to take extra care. Please have the vaccine if you have not yet done so and avail yourselves to the tests.

MASSES TIMES

- Saturday 5pm Vigil Mass for Sunday in Church only.
- Sunday 9am and 11am Church and the Parish Centre (Mass outdoors in nice weather)
- On Saturdays there will be Confession at 10.30am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and on request.
- Weekday Masses Monday to Saturday will be celebrated in church at 11.00am with limited numbers

Please note that this week, the Parish Office will be open on Monday and Friday, not Thursday.

Motivation for Mark 6:7-13

"This reading provides a stark reminder about the attitude that we as followers of Christ should adopt if we are to be true disciples. He asks us, like the first disciples to lay down any fears we may have, and to wholeheartedly trust in His providence and His goodness. It requires us to delicately trust in His generosity whilst also courageously stand in defiance of our own fallacious plans for happiness and fulfilment.

We can ask ourselves what we are attached to in this world? Whether it be material things, reputations, vain hopes or disabling fears. What could you let go of that would make you freer to follow Christ? We should desire freedom from our worldly attachments; however, it can be so difficult to loosen our tight grip. I encourage you humbly bring them to the Lord today!"

Bidding Prayers for the week:

God our Father, enlighten the eyes of our mind. Help us to seek Your call. We bring our prayers before You.:

We pray for Pope Francis as he continues his recovery following his surgery. May the Holy Father feel comforted by the world's love and prayers.

Let us pray for all those who labour unseen, especially for those seafarers whose toil on far-off oceans is vital and yet so rarely noticed, as they work hard to transport the world's good and to provide income for their own families.

We pray for the welfare of seafarers and fishers, whose rights and dignity are too often overlooked and ask God to comfort those who feel lonely and far from loved ones.

We pray for all those who have been injured in accidents, those who are ill-treated and frightened and for all those lost at sea.

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.

Loving Father, guide us on life's journey. Enable us to experience stillness in Your name as we give thanks for your never-ending love. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

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!** You can also use the contactless machine in Church. 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

OPEN EVENTS – ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE, SUNBURY

For admission to Year 7 in 2022 – **Thursday 23rd September 2021**

For admission to St Paul's Sixth Form (Year 12) in 2022 – **Wednesday 29th September 2021.** Further information to follow.

DAY BY DAY BOOKLETS

We have received copies of Day by Day for July. These are available at the back of Church at £1.00 per copy.

ST LAWRENCE'S SCHOOL FOOD BANK

An appeal from the school food bank co-ordinators for donations of tinned food (tomatoes, chickpeas, kidney beans), toiletries (including nappies), cleaning products, washing detergent, breakfast bars, crisps, cereal, etc. NO PASTA OR RICE please. Kindly put your donations in the food collection box in the porch and these will be handed to the school. Thank you.

SEA SUNDAY

Today is Sea Sunday, when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Stella Maris is the Catholic Church's official maritime welfare agency. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. Please visit www.sellamaris.org.uk/SeaSunday for more information. If you would like to donate please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate or text SEA to 7046 to donate £5.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021/22

Parents of Year 3 children and above who wish to enrol them for the First Holy Communion Programme can do so by emailing theresafernandes@aol.com requesting an enrolment form.

This year the First Holy Communion programme will be prepared at St. Lawrence's but please be aware that if COVID guidelines are in place then classes will be via ZOOM meetings.

VIRTUAL TOUR OF THE SACTUARY OF LOURDES

Whilst we cannot travel to Lourdes, Lisa and Lina from Tangney Tours have prepared a virtual tour of the Sanctuary of Lourdes. Over the coming weeks we will be able releasing a number of short videos giving you virtual access to the Sanctuary of Lourdes. This will be published every Tuesday and Friday at 13.45hrs following by the live Rosary from the Grotto. Join us on Facebook facebook.com/tangneytours

MARRIAGE CARE

<https://www.marriagecare.org.uk/> founded in the Diocese of Westminster, Marriage Care provides a donation only counselling service for couples.

WALK WITH AMAL

'LITTLE AMAL' a 3.5 metre-tall puppet of a young refugee girl, created by the acclaimed Handspring Puppet Company, will be travelling through the UK between 18th July and 3rd November. Representing all displaced children, Little Amal will travel over 8,000km embodying the urgent message "Don't forget about us." Experience the journey of Amal as she travels from the Syria-Turkey border to safety in the UK.

<https://www.walkwithamal.org> Follow on Twitter: @walkwithamal

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Mark Gilmore, William Joseph Gray and Sheila Grimshaw** and all those who have passed away recently. Please also keep in your prayers their families and friends who mourn them.

Please note that the family and friends of the deceased take precedence for seats in Church.

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 10	11am 5pm	Maura Miles RIP Baby Silas Dias RIP (Anniversary)
Sun 11	9am 9am 11am 11am	Arantxa Fernandes in Thanksgiving [C] People of the Parish [PC] Joan Keighley RIP [C] People of the Parish [PC]
Mon 12	11am	Annie Burke (Intention)
Tues 13	11am	Mary D'Souza RIP (4 th Anniversary)
Wed 14	11am	Isabella & Whitfield Andrew RIP
Thurs 15	11am	Daphne D'Mello RIP
Fri 16	11am	Lawrence & Carmina Fernandes RIP
Sat 17	11am 5pm	Joazinho & Alexa Cardozo RIP Victoria D'Souza – Good Health
Sun 18	9am 9am 11am 11am	Fr Rufus Pereira RIP [C] People of the Parish [PC] Deceased members of the Michalak and Kalinowski families RIP [C] People of the Parish [PC]
Sanctuary Lamp: Stuart Spicer RIP		

Prayer for the Year of St Joseph



*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To You God entrusted his only Son;
in You Mary placed her trust;
with You Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph to us too, show yourself as Father
and guide us on the path of life.*

*Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*