



St Lawrence Catholic Church

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16th Sunday of the Year

22nd/23rd July 2017

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year A, Volume 2: (Missal Page 105): Wisdom 12:13, 16-19; Psalm 85; Romans 8:26-27; Matthew 13:24-43

Next Week: Seventeenth Sunday of the Year: Page 108: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12; Psalm 118; Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 13:44-52

Dear members of the parish community,

I would like to thank Fr John for giving me this opportunity to write to you all. I am retiring this week after 22 years and 4 months as the Headteacher of St Lawrence's Primary School. During this time many of you will have had a direct connection with the school as pupils, parents, relations or as supporters of the school in some way. It has always been a school that is totally centred in the parish community and I hope I have maintained it that way during my tenure. It has always been my intention. Whichever way the parish community has changed in that time, so too has the school and it is my fond hope that the school has been a thing of pride to the wider parish.

I have been very grateful for all the cooperation I have personally received and that the school has received from the parish. We are very grateful for the use of the church for our Christmas production each year. Nothing has ever been too much trouble. Also to both Sr Mary and now Bridget Brinkley, thank you for your cooperation and encouragement. It has been a pleasure working with both of you and I hope facilitating the various parish catechetical programmes especially First Confession and Communion. Also to the various parish secretaries in particular Florie my grateful thanks. To the many of you who have come forward as Foundation Governors over the years, it has been a pleasure working with you. This is valuable and important work that is vital to the Catholic life of the school. Finally I have been lucky to work with only 4 Parish Priests in all of my time. Each of them different, but each of them totally committed spiritually and materially to the well-being of everyone in the parish. To them all my grateful thanks.

This is a wonderful community and it has been my good fortune and pleasure to serve in it for so long. May God bless you and His Holy Spirit continue to animate you all as you continue to love and serve here in Feltham. I am sure you will support my immediate successor, Leo Duggan in the same way as you have me and welcome him into the heart of the parish.

Best wishes,

Rory McCormack



We welcome Fr Francis Raji MSP, from the Missionary Society of St Paul who will be making an appeal at all Masses this weekend. The Missionary Society of St Paul was founded by the Catholic Bishops Conference of Nigeria in 1977 and have ordained over 260 priests who minister in more than 16 countries and have over 100 seminarians in formation. See notice board for more details.

SACRAMENTS

CONFIRMATION

The Guidelines for those wishing to enrol for the Confirmation Programme for 2017/18 are available from Bridget.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2018

If you would like your child to be prepared for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in 2018, application forms will be available from Fr John or Bridget

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION

If your child is in year 2 or above in September 2017 and not attending a Catholic School, we invite you to register for our Sunday School programme. The Sunday School programme takes place every Sunday during school term time from 10am - 10.45am.

Official registration will take place on 9th September at 10am in St. Lawrence's School. We require your child to attend Sunday School for one year prior to being prepared to receive First Holy Communion. Please see Bridget if you require more details

PARISH NOTICES

The winning tickets for the Hampers are: Green ticket 203 serial no. AB227933 and Pink ticket 743 serial no. AB994191. These hampers have yet to be claimed. Please check your wallets, purses and pockets as you may have the lucky ticket!

PLANT TABLE TOP SALE

Marinha Bragança will be having a plant sale on **Sunday 23rd July** after the 9am and 11am Masses, proceeds for the Parish Centre.

PARISH ART COMPETITION

Congratulations to all our talented artists who entered the art competition.

Junior Section: 1st place shared by Malaika Chittilapilly, Sophie Lipka, Aurelia Zubikowska and Daresz Zubikowski.

Young Adult Section: 1st place -Trini-Kristine Cubos; 2nd place - Rheanne Holloway

Senior Section: 1st place -Terrence Barry; 2nd place - Darryl Holloway

Please collect your prizes from the parish office. (Prizes generously donated by Cass Art and Pullingers in Kinsgton.)

Special thanks to all our flower ladies for the beautiful floral displays around the Church, commemorating the saints.

THE ST LAWRENCE ICON

The Icon is installed and in place on the wall near the door to the sacristy. **PLEASE**, please do not touch the image as constant rubbing will damage the icon.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

Cardinal Vincent will be leading a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham on **Saturday 7th October**. The theme of the pilgrimage this year is **LIFT UP THE LOWLY** based on the words from the Magnificat. The day will include an outdoor Mass, procession, prayers, Benediction and free time to visit the Basilica and the Slipper Chapel. A coach will leave here at 7.00am to arrive in time for the celebrations. Please come prepared for all types of weather and bring a packed lunch and drinks. We will return home about 8.30pm. The cost of the day will be £20.00 per person. Please sign up on the list in the porch. **To secure your seat please post your money in an envelope, clearly marked with your name and "WALSINGHAM", to the Parish Office.**

MESSAGE FROM PRECIOUS GASHU

Thank you to all who sponsored me for the pilgrimage to Lourdes. Those who have not yet paid, I will collect the money on my return. I leave this Sunday and will pray for you all. Please can you also keep me and all the pilgrims in your prayers too.

ST LAWRENCE PRAYER GROUP

The Prayer Group will break up for the summer on Thursday 27th July and reconvene on Thursday 14th September.

OTHER

POWER TO BE CAMPAIGN: EMAIL THE WORLD BANK

Join CAFOD's Power to be campaign and email the World Bank to call for local, renewable energy that reaches the poorest communities worldwide <https://goo.gl/1RbtoF>

GUMLEY HOUSE SCHOOL FCJ

Paid work on an ad hoc basis from July to August 2017 for anyone able to help move furniture while deep cleaning takes place. If interested please contact Mrs Lonergan (Headteacher's PA) on 0208 568 8692 or by email: lonergan@gumley.hounslow.sch.uk

YOUTH 2000'S SUMMER FESTIVAL: INHERITANCE

A festival for Young Adults 16-35 and families will take place in Walsingham from **24th-28th August** based on the theme INHERITANCE (*We have a promise of an inheritance that can never be spoilt or fade away, kept for you in the heavens 1 Peter 1:3-4*). The Festival will comprise of dynamic talks, creative workshops, adoration & workshop, Reconciliation & Healing. For details and to register please visit www.youth2000.org or email info@youth2000.org or telephone 01328 821153.

ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Open Day and Evening for Admission to Year 7 in 2018 will be held on **Thursday, 28th September 2017**, 8.45 am – 10.15 am, 11.00 am – 12.20 pm and 6.00 pm – 8.30 pm (1 hour tours). Address by the Headteacher, James Mc Nulty at 6.45 pm and 7.30 pm. We look forward to welcoming you.

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of God's little angels, **baby Silas Dias RIP** and **baby Aloysius Caldeira RIP** who died recently. Please keep their parents and family in your prayers at this very difficult and sad time.

The funeral for **baby Silas Dias RIP** will take place here on **Tuesday, 1st August** at 9.30am.

Thank you for your generosity in last week's collection:

15-16 July: Envelopes £908.88; Loose: £880.93

Standing Orders: £750.00 **Total: £2,539.81**

Parish Centre Building Fund: £263.98

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 22 nd	11.00 11.00 12.00 15.00 17.00 18.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sacrament of Reconciliation Royle van Sanden RIP Mass in Tagalog for the Filipino Community Sacrament of Reconciliation Intentions of the Windsor Family
Sun 23 rd	09.00 11.00 13.00 14.30 18.00	Margaret Harries RIP John Igboanugo Junior RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) Mass led by the African Community People of the Parish
Mon 24 th	09.30	Celebrant's Intention
Tues 25 th	09.30	Gery Ward RIP
Wed 26 th	09.30	Jim Wates RIP
Thurs 27 th	09.30	Maria Filomena Fernandes RIP
Fri 28 th	09.30	John Igboanugo RIP Justin Ibarra RIP (3 rd Anniversary)
Sat 29 th	11.00 11.00 12.00 13.00 17.00 18.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sacrament of Reconciliation Lisa Young RIP (Baptism) Marriage of Matthew Newman and Claire Butcher Sacrament of Reconciliation Gery Ward RIP
Sun 30 th	09.00 11.00 13.00 18.00	Estella Rodrigues RIP (Anniversary) Joe Cahill RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) People of the Parish
Sanctuary Lamp: Kurt Kosin RIP		

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

**Weekday Mass: Monday-Friday 9.30am; Saturday 12noon
Morning Prayer: Monday-Friday 9.15am, Novena to Our Lady:
Tuesdays 10am, Exposition and Benediction: Saturdays 11am,
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) – Saturday 11am and 5pm**