

# This week at St Lawrence's



14th/15th June 2014

The Most Holy Trinity  
(Missal Page 81 – YEAR A Vol. 2)



Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9; Psalm: Daniel 3:52-562 Corinthians 13:11-13; John 3: 16-18  
The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Missal Page 83); Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16;  
Psalm 147; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; John 6:51-58

*Dear Friends,*

Years ago an American Archbishop went on pilgrimage to Rome and he took his elderly mother with him. The high point of their visit was a private audience with the Pope. During the audience, the Pope lavished praise on the smiling Archbishop, telling his mother how very fortunate she was to have such a wonderful son, so very gifted, so learned, so holy, etc. etc. “Just listen to that, Mom”, said the Archbishop, “and don't forget that the Pope is infallible, you know!” “Well,” said his old Mom, “I never had a crisis of faith before, but I sure have got one now!”

For some people, of course, the “**crisis of faith**” is very real; not about the infallibility of the Pope, but about the very existence of God, and the meaning of suffering and pain, of doubt and fear, of life and death. Some become atheists. Some agnostics. Others live with uneasy compromise. Many of us know what it is to dip our big toe into the pool of the crisis of faith, even if we have never completely plunged in, or gone right under.

Today's Feast of the **Most Holy Trinity** comes to help us. It assures us that our God is not some impersonal force, or some uncaused cause, or some unmoved mover! But our God has revealed himself as a PERSON, because he is LOVE. To say that God is love is to say that God cannot be just “one”. Why? Because love means the possibility to give and receive, to share and communicate, the possibility to have “intercourse”. Saint Augustine explains it like this: ‘every love implies a LOVER, a BELOVED, and a LOVE that unites them.’ There is no such thing as love in a vacuum. There is no love without an object. If God is love, then God must be a “threesome”, a Trinity. There is a LOVER - the Father. There is a Beloved - the Son, and there is the Love that unites them - the Holy Spirit. God has revealed his own inner life as a community of persons, a family; and this is why loneliness is the thing most opposed to God. God is never alone. He is always in relationship. Always in communion. And we have been created in his own “image and likeness”. Created for communion with God - to share in his own life of love. And created for communion with each other, to love and share our lives, in friendship, in community, in marriage, in family, in the Church.

Today, therefore let us close our book of complaints and listen to the prayers of the Liturgy. Hear the Church praying what she believes. Profess the same faith. And be full of hope and peace. May God pour upon you and your family his love and blessing.

*Fr. Fortunato*

Happy  
Father's Day!

## SACRAMENTS

### CONFIRMATION

The Confirmation Thanksgiving Mass and party will take place on **Sunday 22 June** at 6pm. The Confirmation Certificates will be presented at this Mass so it is important that all those Confirmed attend.

### FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2015

If you would like your child to be prepared for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in May 2015, registration dates are as follows:

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June – 3.00pm to 5.30pm

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup>, Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – 3.00pm to 5.30pm

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June, Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July – 9.00am-11.00am

Please wait in Church with your child to complete an application form with Bridget. If your child was not baptised at St Lawrence's, you will need to provide a copy of their Baptismal Certificate.

## PARISH NOTICES

### UCM

The UCM will meet on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm**. A talk on the “Mulberry Centre” at West Middlesex Hospital will be given. A charge of £1.00 will be made.

### FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

There will be an outdoor Eucharistic Procession of Witness after the 11am Mass next Sunday.

All Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are invited to renew their commitment at any of the Masses next weekend. There will be a sign up list in the sacristy.

### PARISH COUNCIL

Four vacancies have arisen for the Parish Council Committee and we are looking for nominations of candidates. There are forms at the back of Church if you would like to complete and return to the Parish Office. Closing date for nominations is this **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> June**. The Parish Annual General Meeting takes place on **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June** at 7.30pm.

### CHARITY EVENT IN MEMORY OF NIGEL OWEN

The Seventh Feltham Sea Scouts will be holding a Barbecue on **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June from 4.00pm to 9.00pm** in memory of the late Nigel Owen in St Lawrence's School Hall. *Tickets on sale after weekend Mass: Adults and children over 11 - £7.00, Children 3-11 years £3.00 and children under 3 - Free.*

### PARISH MASS BOOKS – YEAR A VOLUME 2

The Parish Mass Book for Cycle A commences this weekend. If you would like to purchase your own copy, these are available from the repository at £2.50 each. The Large print is £5.95.

### LIFE PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE

Coffee morning with cake sale and bric-a-brac will be held this Sunday in the Parish Centre after the 9am and 11am Masses.

Joanna James, Manager of the Hounslow Life Pregnancy Care Centre will be speaking at all the Masses this weekend about the work of the local Life Pregnancy Care Centre.

### ST LAWRENCE'S PRAYER GROUP

The Prayer Group meets every Thursday from 7.30pm to 9pm in the Presbytery. A time of prayer and thanksgiving. Reflecting on scriptures. Intercessory prayers for the parish and wider community. New members welcome

### IN CASE YOU ARE ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL.....

In light of data protection please indicate on entering hospital that your details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain. Also state that you would like the RC Chaplain to visit you.

## GROWING IN FAITH NEWSLETTER

A newsletter with an update on the progress of the Growing in Faith campaign will be distributed at all Masses this weekend. Thank you to all those who have committed to this project.

### PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

#### Lourdes Raffle

This year is the Silver Jubilee of the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes and a special Silver Jubilee Raffle has been organised. The draw will take place on 6<sup>th</sup> September. Tickets are priced at £1.00 each and come in books of 5 tickets. The 1<sup>st</sup> prize is £500; 2<sup>nd</sup> - £250; 3<sup>rd</sup> - £100, 4<sup>th</sup> - £75 & 5<sup>th</sup> - £50. Tanya and her team of helpers will be selling raffle tickets after Mass.

### ST LAWRENCE'S SCHOOL FAYRE

#### Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July

Come and join in the School Summer Fete on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July. There will be all the usual stalls, and refreshments throughout the day. Please note that the car park will be closed on that day, also there will be no pedestrian access to the Church from Victoria Road that day.

## OTHER

### CELEBRATE TWICKENHAM

On **Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 29<sup>th</sup>** at Gumley House Convent School, St John's Road, Isleworth TW7 6XF. Celebrate Twickenham is a lively, Catholic, faith filled weekend for the whole family organised by a team from Catholic Charismatic Renewal – with inspiring talks and workshops, streams for children & young adults aged 3 to 21 and Mass on both days. It's a perfect way for everyone to share and join together in a vibrant atmosphere to celebrate the love of God. Saturday Registration starts at 9am and the evening ends around 9.30pm. Sunday registration starts at 9am and the afternoon ends at 3.30pm. Booking forms available from the Parish Office. Costs: Adults 22 and over - £40, Creche (0-3 years) – Free, Reception to School Year 6 - £10, School Year 7 to 11 - £15 and Sixth Form & Young Adults - £20. For more details visit the website at: [www.celebrateconference.org](http://www.celebrateconference.org). The theme this year is "Jesus – the hope of all the world (Matt 12:21)". **Highly Recommended!**

### VOCATIONS PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

On **Saturday 21 June**. A day of pilgrimage by coach to/from London to pray for vocations to the Priesthood, Consecrated Life and Marriage. For more info and to register please contact Fr Richard asap at [richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk)

### CATECHETICAL CO-ORDINATOR - ST MARGARET ON THAMES PARISH, TW1 1RL

We are currently seeking to appoint a Catechetical Co-ordinator to work with the parish priest and pastoral team in developing, supporting and co-ordinating programmes and courses to facilitate spiritual and catechetical growth at St Margaret on Thames parish. The successful candidate will be a practising Roman Catholic, experienced in catechetical and pastoral ministry and must be a strong team player with excellent communication and administration skills. **Hours of work:** 17 hours per week **Salary:** £10-12 per hour **Closing date:** 30 June 2014

### EVENT FOR YOUNG ADULTS - THE CLIMATE IS CHANGING...

If you are aged 18-30 you are invited to this special campaign evening for Young Adults on **Wednesday 2 July**. Come find out what CAFOD is doing to tackle climate change from guest speaker Antony Mbandi, Director of Caritas Kitui (Kenya), and learn how you can help! Held at CAFOD's offices in Lambeth, SE1 7JB. Doors open at 6pm, drinks and food provided. Book online at <http://www.cafod.org.uk/Events/youngadultclimateevent> or call 0207 095 5324

## REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of Baby Denver Peters RIP, Charles Vincent Maguire RIP and Sheila Craft RIP. Please also keep in your prayers their families and all who mourn them. Their funerals will take place:

**BABY DENVER PETERS RIP** – Funeral Service here on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June at 11.00am**.

**CHARLES VINCENT MAGUIRE RIP** – Cremation Service at Hanworth Crematorium on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June at 11am**.

**JULIA MARY CRAFT RIP (known as Sheila)** – Funeral Mass here on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June at 12.30pm**.

## Mass intentions and other services this week:

<b>Saturday 14<sup>th</sup></b> Feria	11.00 11.00 11.30 12.00 17.00 18.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sacrament of Reconciliation Benediction <b>First Holy Communion Thanksgiving Mass</b> Sacrament of Reconciliation <b>Deceased members of the Hanlon Family</b>
<b>+ Sunday 15<sup>th</sup></b> THE MOST HOLY TRINITY	09.00 11.00 13.00 18.00	<b>People of the Parish</b> <b>David Hurley RIP (Anniversary)</b> <b>Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)</b> <b>For the intentions of the Bigg-Wither Family</b>
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup></b> Feria	09.15 09.30	Morning Prayer <b>Thank you to all Parishioners for helping Zimbabwean Orphans</b>
<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup></b> Feria	09.15 09.30 10.00 11.00	Morning Prayer <b>Chris Keating (Intention)</b> Novena to Our Lady <b>FUNERAL SERVICE – BABY DENVER PETERS RIP</b>
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup></b> Feria	09.15 09.30	Morning Prayer <b>Celebrant's Intention</b>
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup></b> Feria	09.15 09.30	Morning Prayer <b>Joe Blanchfield (Intention)</b>
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup></b> St Alban	09.15 09.30	Morning Prayer <b>David Hayes RIP</b>
<b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup></b> St Aloysius Gonzaga	11.00 11.00 11.45 12.00 12.45	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sacrament of Reconciliation Benediction <b>Veronica Charlton RIP</b> Baptisms of Kendrick Michael Nkrumak, Mason Jack Williams Jones, Michelle Naa Momo Raymond and Siobhan Richardson Sacrament of Reconciliation
<b>+ First Mass of Sunday</b>	17.00 18.00	<b>People of the Parish</b>
<b>+ Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup></b> THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)	09.00 11.00 13.00 14.30 18.00	<b>Olga Pereira RIP (Anniversary)</b> <b>Michael &amp; Christine Bigley RIP</b> (followed by Eucharistic Procession of Witness) <b>Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)</b> <b>Mass led by the African Community</b> <b>Bridget Monica D'Souza RIP</b> (Confirmation Thanksgiving Mass)

### Sanctuary Lamp: Pereira Family Intentions

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

7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> June: Envelopes £971.00, Loose £700.00, Standing Orders £420.00 Total: £2091.49  
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**Sunday Mass Times: Saturday 6 pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 9 am, 11 am & 6 pm**  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) - Saturday 11am & 5pm**

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