ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH **FELTHAM**

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First Sunday of Lent



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Readings: Parish Mass Book Year C, Volume 1: (Page 153): Deuteronomy 26:4-10; Psalm 90; Romans 10:8-13; Luke 4:1-13

Next Week: Second Sunday of Lent (Page 156): Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18; Psalm 26; Philippians 3:17, 4:1; Luke 9:28-36





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MASS TIMES

Sunday Masses: 8.00am, 9.30am and 11.00am Monday to Friday: 10am Mass Saturday Morning: 11.00am Mass Saturday Morning: Confessions: 10.00am to 10.45am

with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Saturday Evening: 5.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday

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"But Jesus answered him (the devil), 'Scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone." (Lk. 4:8)

Who and What do you listen to?

The Gospel passage for this First Sunday of Lent is pertinent in many different ways – that temptation can come to anyone, even to Jesus, and the Evil one's persistent attempt to make us stumble into sin. This Gospel passage also focuses our minds on how to resist Satan and return back to God during this Lent.

In the preceding chapter, St Luke's gives account of the genealogy of Jesus, and finishes his account with "...Adam, the son of God." (Lk. 3:23-38) What we read in today's Gospel passage is part fulfilment of God's promise - "I will put enmity between you (serpent) and the woman, (Mary - the New Eve) and between your seed and her seed; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel." (Gen. 3:15). By giving us today, the account of the Son, who listens and obeys, the Evangelist draws a contrast between the person of Jesus and "...Adam, the son of God," who listened but chose to disobey. The consequence of Adam's sinful choice, being humanity's fall from grace.

It is with his unwavering obedience to God his Father that Jesus will, right through to the cross on Calvary, undo the consequences of Adam's and our own sinful choices. It is fitting therefore that as we begin this first week of Lent, St Luke, through Jesus' response to the devil, reminds us of what a good start to our penitential season should be – listening to God who calls us to come back to him in repentance.

Living in a world where there is so much noise, even in our private spaces, can make attentive listening to God difficult, but not impossible. True. However, a fruitful spiritual reawakening in this season requires a deepening in our practice of examination of conscience, prayer and Scripture reading. In these, we shall hear the God who speaks and what he will be asking of us during this Lent. In Lectio Divina and prayer, we are supplied with the appropriate arms to do this spiritual warfare. We believe this to be true because it was true for Jesus Christ, as we read in this Sunday's Gospel passage.

Would you devote time to listen to God in prayer and in the Scriptures during this Lent?

Fr Joseph

WELCOME BACK TO YOUR MINISTRIES.

Thank you to all who have responded by putting their names down for the Ministries to serve in our parish. If you have been on any ministry previously and have not yet put your name down, please do so on the lists at the back of the church.

We are still in need of

more Welcomers, Counters and Cleaners.

LENT 2022 AT ST LAWRENCE'S



This weekend we have a Pastoral Letter from the Cardinal for Lent. Please take a copy home as you leave church.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday to Friday at 9.00am



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays at 10.30am, Saturday at 11.30pm and Wednesdays at 7.30pm (Polish).



CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY

CAFOD Family Fast Day is **Friday 11th March**, a day when we eat simply and give generously to support families around the world. One small act of love this Lent will make a big difference to many communities affected by extreme hunger and children suffering from malnutrition in Sierra Leone and as we are seeing now in Ukraine, families affected by conflict. Your small act of love can make big things happen. You can donate in church using a CAFOD envelope or by visiting the CAFOD website (cafod.org.uk/lent). Also available in the porch are some CAFOD collection boxes which you can take home and fill with your loose change during Lent. Please return any filled boxes to the presbytery.

PASSION PLAY

There will be a play here in Church on The Passion organised by the Sports & Cultural Society of St Michael & St Martin's Church on **Friday 1**st **April at 7.30pm**. This is a free event and all are welcome/encouraged to attend.

POLISH COMMUNITY

Lenten Retreat on **Saturday 9th April** starting at 7pm then concluding with Mass at 8pm.

LENTEN ALMS – The Cardinal's Appeal

This year our Lenten Alms will go towards the Cardinal's Appeal and the next collection will be taken up on **Holy Thursday**. There will also be a Lenten Alms 'wall' box situated by the steps to Our Lady's shrine/candles. The money raised from the appeal will be shared between parishes and Caritas Westminster - working to restore hope, enable people to live a life of dignity and word.

CAFOD'S WALK AGAINST HUNGER LENT CHALLENGE

There are 200 million children in the world whose lives are at risk from malnutrition. This Lent, challenge yourself to walk 200km, and help give hunger its marching orders. Do 5k a day, your way, for 40 days, get sponsored and you'll conquer your 200km target in time for Easter – and help people around the world to live free from hunger. To find out more or take part, go to cafod.org.uk/walk.

ZIMBABWEAN COFFEE MORNING

Helen Hurley is holding a Coffee Morning on **Sunday 13th March** after the 9.30am and 11am Masses. Helen can be contacted on 07950 681325 for more information and offers of help. The proceeds of the Coffee Morning will go to the Zimbabwean Orphans.

ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Our warm congratulations to St Paul's Catholic College who have been awarded an Outstanding in the recent Section 48 Ofsted Inspection of Religious Education and Catholic Life.

JOB VACANCIES

Please see noticeboard for new job vacancies at St Paul's and St Richard Reynolds.

UCM

The UCM will meet on **Monday 7th March** at 7.30pm in the Parish Control

DIVINE MERCY APOSTOLATE – EALING

Invite you to join in their Lenten Programme Monday to Friday from 1.30pm to 4pm at their centre in Ealing. See poster in porch or visit their website www.divinemercyapostolate.co.uk

NEW ARRANGEMENT FOR THE RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

This weekend we start with the new arrangement for the reception of Holy Communion during Mass. Those sitting on the Baptismal Font side of the church and by the side aisle on Our Lady side of the church will be ushered first to come through the back and down the central aisle and go back through the side aisles. Next will be those sitting on both sides of the main nave of the church coming through the central aisle and going back to their seats through the side aisles. **PLEASE** wait for the stewards to call you up. For those in the porch and choir loft the arrangement remains the same but please remain in your places and a Minister will come to you.

UKRAINIAN COMMUNITY AT ST LAWRENCE

The Ukrainian Community are appealing for help either by prayer, monetary gifts or donations of clothes, medicine and other items. They will be putting up a list of items required on the notice board. It is a very distressing time for them with so many having loved ones in Ukraine who are in constant danger.

PARKING ON CHURCH PREMISES

The Parking Bays on the Church Premises are for Disabled Badge Holders only. The access way is for drop off only and not parking. This is applicable on Sundays, Holy Days of Obligation, Funerals, Weddings and other such special occasions. Parking is available at Tesco, Feltham Leisure West and on Sundays limited parking in the school.

ST LAWRENCE SCHOOL SPONSORSHIP APPEAL

To donate to Mr Duggan and Mrs Thompson fundraising appeal go to https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/leo-duggan

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of Jean Reed, Charles David Annan, Robert Clarke, Sally-Anne Gutcher, John Murray, Joan Shaza, and Maria Simon who passed away recently.

- -John Murray RIP His Requiem will take place here on Monday 7th March at 11.30am.
- -Sally-Anne Gutcher RIP Her Requiem will take place here on Thursday 10th March at 12noon
- -Charles David Annan RIP His funeral will take place on Monday 14th March at 3.50pm at Hanworth Crematorium.
- -Robert Clarke RIP His Requiem will take place here on Monday 21st March 2022 at 11.30am

Funeral arrangements for **Jean Reed** will be announced as soon as we have details.

We also keep in our prayers their families and all who mourn them.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 5	11am	Andrew Jesuś in Thanksgiving
	5.00pm	Barbara Walsh (Intention)
Sun 6	8am	Rose McKenna RIP
	9.30am	Aquino Pereira – Good health
	11am	Ophelia Bertha Dias RIP (Month's Mind)
Mon 7	10am	Edward Stokes RIP
	11.30	REQUIEM MASS – JOHN MURRAY RIP
Tues 8	10am	Joanita Rodrigues RIP
Wed 9	10am	Daire O'Gallachior RIP
Thurs 10	10am	Holy Souls Pham Family
	12noon	REQUIEM MASS — SALLY-ANNE
		GUTCHER RIP
Fri 11	10am	Reena O'Connor RIP
Sat 12	11am	John Lavelle RIP
	5.00pm	In Thanksgiving and wellbeing of
	·	Marlon Dias
Sun 13	8am	Sujatha Surenthiran in Thanksgiving
	9.30am	Adebowale Badejo in Thanksgiving
	11am	David, May & Bernard Early RIP
Sanctuary Lamp: Luis Nicholas and family (Intentions)		

Thank you for your generous contributions during these times. The contactless machine is available in the Church or you can use the link below https://portal.mydona.com/assets/webPay/index.php?cid=262

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