

This week at St Lawrence's



8th/9th March 2014

First Sunday of Lent
(Missal Page 151 – YEAR A)

Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Psalm 50; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11
Second Sunday of Lent (Missal Page 155): Genesis 12:1-4; Psalm 32; 2 Timothy 1:8-10; Matthew 17:1-9

Fast From-Feast On

Fast from judging others; Feast on Christ dwelling in them.
Fast from emphasis on differences; Feast on the unity of life.
Fast from apparent darkness; Feast on the reality of light.
Fast from thoughts of illness; Feast on the healing power of God.
Fast from words that pollute; Feast on phrases that purify.
Fast from discontent; Feast on gratitude.
Fast from anger; Feast on patience.
Fast from pessimism; Feast on optimism.
Fast from worry; Feast on divine order.
Fast from complaining; Feast on appreciation.
Fast from negatives; Feast on affirmatives.
Fast from unrelenting pressures; Feast on unceasing prayer.
Fast from hostility; Feast on non-violence.
Fast from bitterness; Feast on forgiveness.
Fast from self-concern; Feast on compassion for others.
Fast from personal anxiety; Feast on eternal truth.
Fast from discouragements; Feast on hope.
Fast from facts that depress; Feast on verities that uplift.
Fast from lethargy; Feast on enthusiasm.
Fast from thoughts that weaken; Feast on promises that inspire.
Fast from shadows of sorrow; Feast on the sunlight of serenity.
Fast from idle gossip; Feast on purposeful silence.
Fast from problems that overwhelm; Feast on prayer that undergirds.

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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Catechetical Co-ordinator: Bridget Brinkley

Parish Secretary: Florie Fernandes

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS

We extend a warm welcome to Grace Sophie Ndongang who will be baptised this weekend and offer our warmest congratulations to her family.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

If you are an adult who, for whatever reason, has not received the sacrament of Confirmation please contact Bridget regarding our Lenten preparation programme.

RITE OF CATHOLIC INITIATION IN ADULTS (RCIA)

Please keep in your prayers our catechumens and candidates preparing to be received into the Church at Easter. They were welcomed by the Cardinal at the Rite of Election service at the Cathedral this weekend.

PARISH NOTICES

A DAY WITH MARY

On **Saturday 15th March** St Lawrence's will be hosting "A Day with Mary" – a day of instruction, devotion and intercession based on the message given at Fatima in 1917. The day starts at 0 with a video presentation in the School Hall; 10.45am Procession of Our Lady, Angelus, Crowning, Sung Litany, Mass; 12.30 Lunch; 1.30pm Exposition & Procession of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Joyful and Luminous Mysteries, sermon, silent Adoration, meditations on the Passion; 3.35pm Tea break; 4.15pm sermon, recitation of the Glorious mysteries, Act of Consecration, Benediction and enrolments finishing at 5.30pm. There will be confessions and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament during the day. Please bring a packed lunch.

REMINDER

Please note that during Lent, there will be Eucharistic Adoration, Monday to Friday at 8.30am and an early bird Mass every Friday at 06.45am.

THANK YOU

The Social Committee would like to thank everyone who supported the Barn Dance last weekend. A sum of £353.65 was raised towards the Lourdes Pilgrimage..

PLANNED GIVING (from the Co-ordinator, Frank Macken)

Planned Giving Envelopes for the year 2014-105 will be available for collection this weekend. As in previous years the envelopes may be found on tables on the left hand side of the Church as you enter. Envelopes are in strict alphabetical order but it is possible that your number may have changed from last year. Over the years it has been found that Planned Giving – whereby Parishioners commit to donating a regular amount to our Church – is by far the best way to ensure a steady and reliable income and greatly assists in organising Parish finances. If you are not already on the scheme and would like to join, or if you are a new parishioner, please contact me.

NATIONAL MASS FOR ALTAR SERVERS IN WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL

This Mass for Altar Servers will take place at Westminster Cathedral on **Saturday 15th March 2013** at 2.00pm. We plan to take a group from here and will aim to leave at 11.00am and arrive back at approximately 5pm.

NURSERY ADMISSIONS 2014 - FORM SIGNING

Fr Chris will be available Nursery Form signing at the following times for St Lawrence's School:

Tuesdays 3.30-4.30pm: March 11th; April 1st, 22nd

Please come with your child and wait in Church.

OTHER

CAFOD LENT FAST DAY THIS FRIDAY 14 MARCH

CAFOD is working with poor communities around the world on our behalf, helping them to tackle poverty and injustice. Fast Days are our opportunity to support this vital work. Please collect a Fast Day envelope and prayer card after Mass, and consider fasting and praying in solidarity this Friday. Please return the Fast Day envelope with your donation for next weekend's CAFOD collection. Thank you. A retiring collection will be taken at all Masses the weekend of **15/16 March**.

ANNUAL NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH

10th – 18th March at St Joseph's Church, Maidenhead. Each year the Mill Hill Community prepares for the Feast of St Joseph, their patron, with a special Novena of Masses and prayers to ask for God's Blessings on their Society and the missionary work of the church, as well as, for the intentions of all those who support their work. You are invited to send in your petitions and/or request a Novena booklet to enable you to join in from home by praying the daily Novena prayers, please write to Fr Denis Treacy MHM, St Joseph's missionary Society, Communications House, 12 Crawford Rise, Maidenhead SL6 7LS or email novena@millhillmissionaries.com.

EXPLORING A VOCATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD?

Find out more about what it means to be a priest from recently ordained priests on **20th March** at the Centre for Youth Ministry in Somers Town. For further details please contact Fr Graham Stokes on grahamstokes@rcdow.org.uk 020 8747 5909 or see www.rcdow.org.uk/vocations.

YOUNG ADULTS IN THE WEST

This event for young people (16-35) in west London will take place on **Saturday 22 March**, 6pm-9pm, at St James's Parish, Twickenham. Fr Chris Vipers (Episcopal Vicar) and Fr David Reilly (Diocesan Youth Chaplain) invite all our young people to participate. The event will begin with the celebration of Mass at 6pm, followed by food, refreshments and social time in the parish hall. There will be opportunities for faith-sharing, hearing testimonies and Q&A with the Episcopal Vicar. Please speak to your priest for more details or email Fr David on davidreilly@rcdow.org.uk

MARY'S MEALS

Mary's Meals is an international charity movement that sets up school feeding programmes in communities where hunger and poverty prevent children from gaining an education. Mary's Meals will be coming to our Church in a couple of weeks' time to take away your unwanted textiles i.e. clothes, bags, blankets, towels, curtains, shoes and books. Over the next few weeks please collect all unwanted clothes etc. and put them in sacks. Then on the morning of **Sunday 23rd March** bring them with you when you come to Mass. Not only will you be getting rid of un-needed clothes and giving yourself a little more space but you will also be benefitting a really worthwhile charity. Mary's Meals feeds children one good meal every day at school in over 16 countries. Because of their low costs they can do this for as little as £10.60 per child per year! For more information, visit www.marysmeals.org.uk.

PILGRIMAGES 2014

LOURDES 2014

Fr Chris will be leading a pilgrimage to France by coach for the parishes of Feltham, Heston and Cranford from **19th July to 27th July**. The price is £699 per person based on two people sharing and includes overnight stays in Paray Le Monial (Shrine of the Sacred Heart), Poitiers and Lisieux (Shrine of St Therese) including half board accommodation and visits to local Shrines/Cathedrals. 5 Nights stay in Lourdes on a full board basis, joining the Westminster Lourdes Pilgrimage. *Supplementary charges: Single supplement £230.00 per person, Travel Insurance: £34.00 per person.* Booking forms available from the Parish Office. Completed booking forms with deposit should be returned as soon as possible to the Parish Office. Early booking essential. **We especially need young people (16+) to help care for our sick, disabled and elderly pilgrims, and a nurse to accompany us on the pilgrimage.** **PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED BOOKING FORMS TO THE PARISH OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. A FEW SEATS STILL LEFT FOR THIS TRIP.**

Two parishioners from Cranford are seeking sponsorship to raise funds for Sick Pilgrims and Redcaps going on the coach. Ellen James (Redcap) is doing a Parachute Jump/Skydive on 5th April and Luigi Cornini (Knight of St Columba) is doing a walk from Cranford to Osterley Park and back on 26th March. They will both be at St Lawrence's in the next few weeks and would appreciate any sponsorship.

DIOCESAN HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE 2014

Cardinal Vincent invites us to join him on the 4th Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land. **17th-25th November 2014**. Price £1495 per person sharing. £275 single room supplement. For further details and a booking form contact Gerald Daly at the Diocesan Pilgrimage Office on 020 7798 9173 email: geralddaly@rcdow.org.uk or Gill Didino at Tangney Tours on 01732 886666.

Westminster Youth Ministry will lead a 10 day Young Adults Pilgrimage (18-35) in parallel with the Main Diocesan Pilgrimage visiting the region's principal holy sites. The cost is £1,100 on a full board basis and Fr David Reilly the Youth Chaplain will be leading the group. Limited to 50 places only. Further information can be obtained from the Youth Team on youth@rcdow.org.uk or 0207 387 1971

Mass intentions and other services this week:

Saturday 8th Lent Feria	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	11.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	11.45	Benediction
	12.00	Patrick Gallighan RIP (Baptism of Grace Sophie Ndongang during Mass)
	12.30	Stations of the Cross
+ First Mass of Sunday	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
18.00	Intentions of the Lock Family	
+ Sunday 9th 1st Sunday of Lent	09.00	People of the Parish
	11.00	Betty Smith RIP
	13.00	Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)
	18.00	Olivia Dolland (Intention)
Monday 10th Lent Feria	08.30	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	Kathleen Flanagan RIP
Tuesday 11th Lent Feria	08.30	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	Margaret Deere RIP
	10.00	Novena to Our Lady
Wednesday 12th Lent Feria	08.30	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	Patrick Badejo and Family (Intentions)
Thursday 13th Lent Feria	08.30	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	Margaret (Rita) Weston RIP (Anniversary)
Friday 14th Lent Feria	06.45	World Peace
	08.30	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	Estevan & Clara Monteiro RIP
	10.00	Stations of the Cross
Saturday 15th Lent Feria	09.30	DAY WITH MARY (9.30am-5.30pm)
	10.45	Video Presentation on "The Message of Fatima" (School Hall) Procession of Our Lady. Angelus. Crowning. Sung Litany.
	13.30	Mass in honour of Our Lady Exposition and Procession of the Blessed Sacrament The Five Joyful Mysteries, Sermon on Our Lady by Fr Fortunato The Five Luminous Mysteries. Silent Adoration. Meditations on the Passion.
	16.15	Sermon on Our Lady by Fr Chris The Five Glorious Mysteries. Act of Consecration. Benediction. Enrolments in the Brown Scapular and Miraculous Medal
		During the Day: Confession and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
+ First Mass of Sunday	18.00	Gladys & Anthony Gellineau RIP
+ Sunday 16th 2nd Sunday of Lent	09.00	Margaret Harries RIP (Anniversary)
	11.00	May & Bernard Early RIP
	13.00	Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)
	18.00	People of the Parish

Sanctuary Lamp: Paul Oghenetega Omoniyodo in Thanksgiving

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

1-2 March: Envelopes £1087.48, Loose £798.93, Standing Orders £420.00 Total: £2306.41

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