

This week at St Lawrence's



30th April/1st May 2016

Sixth Sunday of Easter
(Missal Page 273 – YEAR C Vol. 1)

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Psalm 66; Apocalypse 21:10-14, 22-23; John 14:23-29
Next week: The Ascension of the Lord (Missal Page 277): Acts:1:1-11; Psalm 46;
Ephesians 1:17-23; Luke 24:46-53



THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

A number of positions in the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) were coming to the end of their term and it was unanimously decided that all members step down and anyone wishing to continue could be nominated and seconded. We have eight vacancies that have arisen for the Parish Pastoral Council Committee and 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 **Sunday 29th May**.

If you are considering being part of the Parish Pastoral Council but are not sure what it entails, here are a few points that may be of help:

- To work with the Parish Priest on matters of general concern and importance to the parish
- Co-operation with the Parish Priest in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.
- To help shape and steer parish life.
- Members of the PPC should be willing to openly question and debate the issues on the Agenda and put forward constructive ideas/solutions.
- Members need to be an active participant in parish life and visible at Mass, social events and other gatherings/meetings so that parishioners know who they are and can approach them. At the same time members of the PPC can get a sense of how parishioners are feeling and whether there are any issues that need to be raised at a PPC meeting.
- The PPC needs to be reflective of how our parish looks in 2016 and going forward and should ideally include members from all our different countries of origin.
- The PPC should ensure that no section of our community is left out i.e. (but not limited to) the elderly, young children, teenagers/young adults, those with disabilities/special needs, separated/divorced, bereaved, ethnic minorities.

If you have any questions please speak to Fr Chris.

SACRAMENTS

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The next preparation class for parents and children will be on **Saturday 14th May** at 9.45am.

CONFIRMATION

The next Candidates preparation session is on **Wednesday, 4th May** at 7.15pm.

PARISH NOTICES

MISSION APPEAL

A warm welcome to Fr Tom Ryan and Fr Kevin O'Neill from the Missionary Society of St Columban who will be speaking at all Masses this weekend on the work of the society. There will be a retiring collection at the end of all Masses.

CAKE SALES

The Polish Community will be having a cake sale after the morning Masses **this Sunday**.

Denise will be having a cake sale **next Sunday 8th May** after the morning Masses.

FIRST FRIDAY AND CAFOD COFFEE MORNING

Our early bird Mass will take place at 6.45am on **Friday 6th May** and CAFOD's First Friday Coffee Morning will take place after the 9.30am Mass.

UCM

The UCM will meet on **Monday 2nd May** at 7.30pm at the Salvation Army in Bedford Lane. It is Bank Holiday, but members do come along, and I am sure we will enjoy an evening of games and chat. Any lady who is interested, do come along and you will be made very welcome.

MESSAGE FROM FR CHRIS

It is being announced in the Diocese that the Cardinal has appointed me to be the new Director of the Agency for Evangelisation, alongside my parish responsibilities. This is an exciting role, helping to bring "Proclaim" to everything we do as a Church here in our Diocese of Westminster. Please pray for me – and for all of us who Pope Francis calls to be joyful missionary disciples.

THANK YOU FROM ...

The Family of the late Margaret Carlton want to say a big "Thank you" to the parishioners of St Lawrence's Church, Feltham, for generous donations made to her chosen charity, RNLI Whitby, Yorkshire. The final total raised was £220. Once again thank you and may God Bless you all. Kind regards, Kathy & Liam Kavanagh.

ITALIAN EVENING

St Lawrence's Youth Club (SLYC) presents a night to remember on **Friday 20th May** in St Lawrence's School Hall, doors open at 7.00pm. A three course Italian meal served by our youth and an evening of fun, music and raffles. Bring your own drink. Tickets £12.00 per person - on sale this weekend. Proceeds from this event will go towards the World Youth Day Pilgrimage to Krakow in July.

NURSERY CLASS ADMISSIONS 2016

The last date for Fr Chris to sign the Certificate of Catholic Practice for Nursery Applications:

Tuesday, May 3rd Time: 3.45 – 5.00pm

- Please come along with your child and their Baptism Certificate.
- Sign up sheet on notice board in Church porch (as we did for Reception applications).

OTHER

HEALING MASS

You are all invited to a Healing Family Mass on **Wednesday 4th May** at 7.00pm at St Margaret's Parish, Twickenham. Fr Angelus will be coming to celebrate the Mass and he specialises in the healing of 'The Family Tree'.

MIGRANTS MASS WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL

On **Monday, May 2nd** at 10.30am. **The theme** is prayer for refugees and there will be 2 refugees from Citizens UK to give their testimony at 10.15am, then Mass at 10.30am prompt. All very welcome. See poster in porch.

SPIRIT IN THE CITY FESTIVAL (1-4 JUNE)

For a detailed programme pick up a leaflet from the back of Church or see flyer on the notice board. Also on **1st June** the UK Premier of "Full of Grace", the story of Mary, Mother of Jesus at 6.30pm Prince Charles Cinema. Tickets £15.00 – see flyer on notice board.

PARISH PILGRIMAGES

YEAR OF MERCY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

You are invited to join Cardinal Vincent Nichols on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham, England's Nazareth, in this Year of Mercy on **Saturday 9th July**. The cost is £20.00 per person. The coach is now **FULL** but there is a waiting list in case anyone drops out. All those who have put your names on the list but haven't yet paid, please do so as soon as possible to secure your seat. Please post your money in an envelope, clearly marked with your name and "WALSINGHAM", to the Parish Office.

WORLD YOUTH DAY – KRAKOW JULY 2016

SLYC is inviting you to join us on a pilgrimage to Poland for World Youth Day (WYD) with Pope Francis. WYD dates are from **18 July 2016 to Sunday 31 July 2016**, the cost will be £750 including travel and accommodation. To come on this trip you just need to be 16-35 years old and open to have a fun and life changing experience. If interested please see Fr Chris for more details.

LOURDES 2016

Once again we will be travelling by coach to join the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, **23rd-31st July**. On the way to Lourdes we will be visiting the shrine of the Sacred Heart in Paray le Monial and on the return journey we will be stopping in Poitiers and Lisieux – the shrine of St Therese. Price £699 per person based on two sharing plus insurance £35.00, single room supplement £199 per person. Price includes full board whilst in Lourdes and half board at stops on route. Forms available from the Parish Office, complete and return as soon as possible. **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.**

ST LAWRENCE 2016 PILGRIMAGE TO ROME - YEAR OF MERCY

There are still a few seats left on this pilgrimage. The pilgrimage will be from **Monday 10th October 2016 to Sunday 16th October 2016**. The cost is £884.00 per person on a half board basis, insurance £32.00 per person. If anyone would like to join please get a booking form from the Parish Office, complete and return with your deposit as soon as possible.

****STOP PRESS**** please note that there is 1 twin and 2 triple rooms left.

REST IN PEACE

MARIA CERRULLO RIP

We pray for the soul of Maria Cerrullo RIP who died recently. Her funeral will take place here on **Friday 6th May** at 11am. Please also keep in your prayers her family and all those who mourn her.

MARY DERMODY RIP

We pray for the soul of Mary Dermody RIP who died recently. She taught at St Lawrence's for many years (over 40 years ago) and was a member of this parish. Her funeral will take place at St Joseph's Catholic Church, Basingstoke on **Thursday 5th May** at 10.30am. We also keep in our prayers her husband and all her family.

BRIAN MURPHY RIP

We pray for the soul of Brian Murphy who died during the week. His funeral will take place at Ogden Chapel, Hanworth Crematorium on **Friday 13th May** at 2.40pm. Please keep in your prayers his children and all who mourn him.

Mass intentions and other services this week:

Saturday 30th Easter Feria	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation
	11.45	Benediction
	12.00	In Thanksgiving – The Wilson Family
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	18.00	Timothy Bray RIP (Anniversary)
+ Sunday 1st Sixth Sunday of Easter	09.00	Eamon O'Brien RIP
	11.00	People of the Parish
	13.00	Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)
	18.00	Irene Fernando RIP
Monday 2nd St Athanasius	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	Virginia Masulit & Nina Amore (Birthday Intentions)
Tuesday 3rd STS PHILIP AND JAMES	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	Patrick Galligan RIP (Anniversary)
	10.00	Novena to Our Lady
Wednesday 4th THE ENGLISH MARTYRS	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	John Rea RIP
Thursday 5th Easter Feria	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	Camillo & Guilhermina Rodrigues in Thanksgiving – 25th Wedding Anniversary
Friday 6th Easter Feria	06.45	Celebrant's Intention
	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	Martin Hoban RIP
	11.00	FUNERAL MASS - MARIA CERRULLO RIP
Saturday 7th Easter Feria	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation
	11.45	Benediction
	12.00	Sean Kehoe and Brenda & Doug Rich RIP
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	18.00	For the intentions of Mick, Amanda, Dan, Pauline and the McCarthy Family
+ Sunday 8th The Ascension of the Lord	09.00	Caetano D'Souza in thanksgiving – 50th birthday
	11.00	Christine Cahalane RIP (Anniversary)
	13.00	Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)
	18.00	People of the Parish

Sanctuary Lamp: Raphael Danladi (Intentions)

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

23rd/24th: Envelopes: £1,088.57 Loose: £1,070.51 Standing Orders: £530.10 **Total: £2,689.18**

PARISH CENTRE UPDATE: MONEY BANKED AS AT 26/04/2016 – £70,221.62

UKRAINE APPEAL - £481.50

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Sunday Mass Times: Saturday 6 pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 9 am, 11 am,

1 pm (Polish) & 6 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) - Saturday 11am & 5pm