

ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

1st/2nd May 2021

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year B, Volume 1: Acts 9:26-31; Psalm 21; 1 John 3: 18-24; John 15:1-8

Next Week: Sixth Sunday of Easter: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Psalm 97; 1 John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17



PARISH ROADMAP FOR POST LOCKDOWN

Notice when Jesus is speaking to us today, he is not speaking to us as individuals but as a group. He says 'I am the vine, you are the branches'. He is speaking to us as a community – our parish community.

In the next few weeks there will be an easing of restrictions to the lockdown. How do we prepare for gradual re-opening up of our parish? Lockdown has been so difficult for many of us. If you live alone, how did you find lockdown? Not being able to come to church. How do you feel about coming back? Are you fearful?

If you are parents, how did the children cope with lockdown? Did they miss coming to Mass? How was the First Communion preparation on Zoom and the Sunday School on Zoom? For our young people how was the Confirmation Programme on Zoom?

If you have been involved in any of our parish ministries, are you willing to continue. If you are not involved in any parish activity would you like to join? Eucharistic ministers, readers, altar servers, choirs helping with Confirmation and First Holy Communion Programmes or any other activities?

Was lockdown for you a time for more prayer and spiritual reading? Have you experienced difficulties during lockdown – bereavement here or abroad? Unemployment? Stress? Financial problems?

How should we begin to open up? Should it be a slow process, perhaps 40 hours devotion, prayer before the Blessed Sacrament or an International Mass bringing all our different communities together and involving the school children.

It would be good to hear your views. You can email me johnbyrne@rcdow.org.uk or phone me or text me on the mobile: 0787 905 8732.

We are a community, we grow together, bound together by the love of Jesus the true vine. We bring to mind the many gifts he has given us, and the ways in which his love bears fruit in our lives.

FR. JOHN

REMINDER: Please remember to leave the Church promptly at the end of Mass. You should not mix outside church and you are encouraged to go straight home after Mass

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Protecting your Privacy:

In compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) which became effective in May 2018, the Parish requires your permission to hold your data for Parish/Diocesan use. You can read our full privacy policy on www.rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy

MASS INTENTIONS

If you wish to offer a Mass intention, please call Fr John on 0787 905 8732



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This Parish is part of Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust (WRCDT) Registered Charity No: 233699

Bidding Prayers for the week:

With faith we ask our loving Father for all that we need for ourselves, for our Church and for our world.

-We pray for our Holy Father, the Pope, for our bishops and all those who help us to hear God's word.

--For peace in the world: that the rights and needs of every person may be respected

-For our children preparing to receive their First Holy Communion this weekend: may the gift of the Holy Eucharist draw them into an unending friendship with the Lord.

For the people in India, Brazil and other countries where the pandemic is out of control: we pause to remember the many families that are left alone, abandoned with deeply unwell family members, unable to reach or receive medical care. We keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

- For people who are sick and feel they are a burden, for all who are in hospital and residential care, for those suffering with Covid-19, and for all those who love and care for them.

-For all the faithful departed: that they may find rest for their souls and be led rejoicing through the gates of paradise.

Heavenly Father, you know the needs of our world. Open our minds and hearts to share your compassion for those in need, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONTACTLESS GIVING

We are now able to offer a contactless way of making donations and offertory at our parish. The devices can be found on the way out of church and is a quick and safe way to donate money to the church using contactless debit cards. It's secure and goes directly into the parish bank account. If you have any questions regarding how it works, please contact Ade Marques on [07785758453](tel:07785758453).

PLANNED GIVING 2021-22

The 2021-22 Planned Giving Boxes are available for collection. If your box is not there, please fill in an order form or consider giving by Standing Order.

Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony, via live-stream from Westminster Cathedral, on Saturday 15th May 2021 at 3.00pm

The Cardinal will be celebrating a live-streamed Mass for all couples in the Diocese who are celebrating their 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2021. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give Florie a call on a Monday or Tuesday between 9.15am and 1.15pm or email her at feltham@rcdow.org.uk with your full names, date of marriage, your address, contact number and/or email address.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We offer our warmest congratulations to the following children who will be receiving their First Holy Communion this weekend.

Group 1

Adrian Sobiechowski, Amanda Kukaj, Amber Rodrigues, Ashken Fernandes, Blanka Abucka, Brenzillo Viegas, Chantelle Abucka, Daniel Afonso, Daniel Moore, Erika Au, Ethan Uwechue, Faye Rodrigues, Gabriella Sarota, Isabel Hinds, Patrick Sobiechowski and Patryk Slomka.

Group 2

Alvin Kalanda-Musanje, Carmen Andrzejak, John Ryan Ordone, Jordan Djan, Jordan Weekes, Kaya Januszewska, Luiza Biavati, Margarete Mencionor, Marie Nalwanda, Mateusz Kruk, Matthew Jangma, Noel Rozario, Olivia Udeh, Pavel Palanytsya, Pristin Maryathash, Zac Williams and Zara McCabe.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND

Thank you for your generosity last weekend. If you were not able to donate last week you can do so this weekend or you can donate online anytime at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations

FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND

Our 2021 Pentecost Challenge is launched, with a focus on helping Christian families keep their children in Christian schools. Please support our Appeal by visiting our website www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk/pentecost or sending a donation to FHL, Farmer Ward Road, Kenilworth CV8 2DH. You can register to join an 84-mile virtual pilgrimage between Bethlehem and Nazareth, using just 2 miles/day of your exercise. You can obtain sponsorship from friends or family or simply sponsor the parishioners you might know who are already walking, cycling or swimming! For those with children/grandchildren at local schools, why not encourage them to set up a team! For more information, telephone 01926 512980 or email office at office@friendsoftheholylan.org.uk

May Devotion to Our Lady will take place on **Sunday 9th May** at 3.30pm at the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden. It will include Holy Rosary and Benediction, with music from the Shrine Singers. Due to Covid Restrictions only a limited number of seats will be available for reservation. The Devotion will be livestreamed. For a link to the livestream and booking of available seats, please visit parish.rcdow.org.uk/Willesden

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Mary Delaney, Joseph Steer, Halcyon Suzette Worrell, Laurence Kearns and Joanna Serafina Rodrigues** and all those who have passed away recently. Please also keep in your prayers their families and friends who mourn them.

Mary Delaney – her funeral will take place at Hanworth Crematorium on Tuesday 4th May at 10am

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine on them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Please note Mass on Tuesday is at 11.30am

Sat 1	11am 5pm	Mario Pereira RIP Clema Pereira RIP (2 nd Anniversary) [C]
Sun 2	9am 9am 11am 11am	Sr Aine Kirwan RIP [C] Benji's Thanksgiving to Our Lady [PC] Lourdes Fernandes & Family (Good Health) [C] Manuel D'Costa RIP [PC]
Mon 3	11am	Philomena Mendes RIP
Tues 4	11.30am	Joseph Steer RIP
Wed 5	11am	In Thanksgiving
Thurs 6	11am	Elias Dias RIP
Fri 7	11am	Sebastiao & Cruzita Pires in Thanksgiving (26 th Wedding Anniversary)
Sat 8	11am 5pm	Inacio D'Costa RIP David Hayes and Bernard Keaveney RIP (Anniversary) [C]
Sun 9	9am 9am 11am 11am	Sr Mary O'Malley's Intention [C] People of the Parish [PC] Mario Pereira RIP [C] Deceased members of the Fernandes & Dias Families RIP [PC]
Sanctuary Lamp: Hubert D'Souza RIP		

Dear Friends

Our parishioner's response to our appeal to help with our parish funds by paying through standing order, cash or cheque has been tremendous – **THANK YOU!** For those who would like to take advantage of the standing order facility we have in place, our parish bank details are:

HSBC Bank: WRCDT Feltham

Sort code: **40-05-20** – Account No: **71095528**

Thank you for your continued generosity.

FR. JOHN AND FR. JOHN LOUIS

MASS TIMES

- Saturday 5pm Vigil Mass for Sunday in Church only
- Sunday 9am and 11am Church and the Parish Centre (Mass outdoors in nice weather)
- On Saturdays there will be Confessions at 10.30am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and on request.
- Weekday Masses Monday to Saturday will be celebrated in Church at 11.00am with limited numbers