

# ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM

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Sixth Sunday of Easter



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4th/5th May 2024

Year B Vol 1:- (Page 266): Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Psalm 97; 1 John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17

9th May – Ascension of the Lord (Page 270): Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 46; Ephesians 1:17-23; Mark 16:15-20

11th May – Seventh Sunday of Easter (Page 273): Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Psalm 102; John 4:11-16; John 17:11-19



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### Protecting your Privacy:

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[www.rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy)

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## MASS TIMES

Sunday Mass: 8.00am, 9.30am and 11.00am

Monday to Friday Mass: 9.30am; Saturday Morning: 11.00am

Saturday Morning: Confessions: 9.30am to 10.45am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,

Saturday Evening: 5.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday

*Ethnic Chaplaincies:* Polish Mass every Sunday 1.00pm, Ukrainian

Mass 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 2.30pm & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday 7.00pm; Malayalam Mass 3<sup>rd</sup>

Sunday 2.30pm; Mass in Tagalog 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday 3pm; Mass led by

Nigerian Chaplaincy 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday 2.30pm.

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## A CALL TO LOVE.

The word 'LOVE' has been one of the strongest and commonest words we frequently hear everywhere and every day in the world. In our society today, people continually express their love towards one thing or the other that can interest them. Unfortunately, lack of understanding of love has caused many disasters in our world today. The world is facing many crises like; wars, terrorism, injustice, hatred, racism because the meaning of love is never rooted in our souls. Our expression of love can be true if it is selfless and pointing towards God.

Our Lord Jesus is calling us today to love one another as he has loved us and sacrificed himself for us. Love is a natural gift we inherited from the point of creation, because God is love himself, and he created us in his own image and likeness. So, we are created in the loving nature of God.

However, due to numerous teachings, concepts and understanding of the word 'LOVE' in our religious, social, worldly or secular ambiances today, the Spirit of God has come to redirect our attention towards meaning and concept of true love in accordance with God's ordinances. This, St. John explains in his letter, when he says, "My children, let our love not in word or speech, but in truth and action (1Jn.3:18).

Many of us have gone astray in the ocean of loving but this might be rooted on utility, erotic or sexual, beauty, wealth instead of loving unconditionally. This manner of loving has made impossible for some of the children of God to be true Christians in our families, churches and society in general. Our love for one another must be sincere, unconditional, sacrificial and truthful. Love is not optional but a commandment of God. Therefore, let us always pray for the grace of God, that will enable us to love and be ready to sacrifice for the sake of love.

Have a blessed new week.

**FR PETER**

## HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord will be celebrated on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May**. Masses will be at 9.30am (with the School), 12noon and 6pm.

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to our first group of Children who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this weekend.

## ROSARY DURING THE MONTH OF MAY IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY

The Rosary will be recited Monday to Friday after the 9.30am Mass during May. At the weekends please say the Rosary at home as a family.

## SATURDAY MORNING CHANGES

There will be **no** Eucharistic Adoration on **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> May**. Instead, there will be special First Holy Communion Masses at 11am and 2pm.

On Saturday **June 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>**, we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation at Special Masses at 11am and 2pm when the Episcopal Vicar will preside. On these days, there will be no Eucharistic Adoration.

Parishioners are welcome but please note it will be a busy time. Confessions will take place from 9.30am-10.30am.

## SPECIAL MASS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

The next Mass will be on **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May at 2.30pm** in the Parish Centre followed by a tea party. If you require a lift please speak to Fr John.

## MONDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> MAY

...is a Bank Holiday **Mass will be at 10am, Morning Prayer 9.45am.**

## OUR PARISH - OUR RESPONSIBILITY

Please read through this leaflet, which can be found in the porch, on the status of the Parish finances, what we have done, what we hope to do and how you can help.

## WALK WITH JESUS (SUNDAY SCHOOL)

The next sessions will be on **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> May** after the 9.30am Mass.

## ANNUAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE EASTERN CHRISTIANS

On **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May** we have been asked to join in prayer the Eastern Christians on their annual Day of Prayer. For more information please go to [www.facecharity.org/day-of-prayer-for-eastern-christians-5-may-2024/](http://www.facecharity.org/day-of-prayer-for-eastern-christians-5-may-2024/)

## ANNUAL MASS FOR LONDON MIGRANT WORKERS

**Date:** Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at 12.30pm **Where:** St George's Cathedral, Southwark, SE1 6HT. Please be seated by 12noon. Come in national dress. All welcome. See poster on notice board.

## REPOSITORY

The Repository has gifts for First Holy Communion or Confirmation and loads of general items. Come and have a look.

## COLLECTING ITEMS FOR CHARITY

If you have surplus old bibles, holy books (in good condition), rosaries, statues, icons please bring them to Church and give to Cathy Early. Her aunt helps at a charity that sends these items to countries all over the world that has a need for them.

## THANK YOU

Kieran Baker would like to thank everyone who supported him at the recent Marathon in aid of The Passage, a Homeless charity. He has reached 81% of his target – you can still donate using the QR code on poster at back of Church. He completed the race in just over 4hrs.

## ST LAWRENCE'S SCHOOL AND CHURCH PARKING AND ACCESS

The school car park will be closed until September. During this time please park at Feltham Leisure West or nearby side streets and walk round.

Please remember:

**The Church car park is for Disabled Parishioners who have a valid Blue Badge clearly displayed. Access for drop off and collections only for everyone else.**

**Do not attempt to open the barrier, you are not authorised to open it.**

**The Green is a private road. No parking along there and PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN FRONT OF THE BARRIER – IT IS A HEALTH & SAFETY HAZARD. Anyone caught parking incorrectly will be named and shamed.**

## CCTV IN OPERATION

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

**27-28 April:** Loose: £1,295.35 Envelopes £205.80

**Total: £1,501.15 Priest Training Fund: £190.00**



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**HSBC Bank: WRCDT Feltham Sort code: 40-05-20 – Acc. No: 71095528**

*Please add your Surname and First Name as a reference, to help our bookkeeper, also indicate if it is for a Donation, Baptism, etc.*

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 4	9.30am-10.30am 11.00am 5.00pm	Confession  FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Josefina & Herminigildo Snr Pavia RIP Maria Filomena Gurjao RIP (30 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)
✠ Sun 5	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 1.00pm 2.30pm	Margaret Harris RIP Manuel Goncalves Pita RIP Gerard Rooney RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw) Senior Citizens Mass in the Parish Centre
Mon 6	<b>10.00am</b>	Deceased members of the Silveira & Fernandes Families RIP
Tues 7	9.30am	David Hayes & Bernard Keaveney RIP (Anniversaries)
Wed 8	9.30am	Caetano Vicente De Souza RIP
Thurs 9	9.30am 12noon 6.00pm	Antoneta & Refugio Gomes RIP (3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary) - with School Sr Mary O'Malley RIP Patrick Galligan RIP
Fri 10	9.30am	Valen Carvalho – Birthday Thanksgiving
Sat 11	9.30am-10.30am 11.00am 2.00pm 5.00pm	Confession  FIRST HOLY COMMUNION FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Gashu Family in Thanksgiving
✠ Sun 12	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 1.00pm 2.30pm	For the intentions of the Parish Team Deceased members of the Fernandes & Dias Families RIP Verline Reynolds RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw) Mass in Ukrainian
Sanctuary Lamp: Easterbrooke Family in Thanksgiving – 18 <sup>th</sup> & 68 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversaries)		

## REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Sr Katherine O'Reilly RIP, Brian Terry Murphy RIP**

**Sr Katherine O'Reilly RIP** – Her Requiem Mass will take place at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Botwell Lane, Hayes UB3 2AB on **Wednesday 15 May 2024 at 12noon**. [Bus No. 90 from the High Street stops very close to the Church -the stop to alight is Hayes Town Centre]. Please let Sister Monica know if you plan to attend. Please keep in your prayers their families and all who mourn them.

## HOUSEKEEPING ISSUES

### NOTICE BOARDS

If you wish to display something on the notice board please hand it in to the Parish Office. Any unauthorised notices put up on the porch glass or elsewhere will be removed. Recently leaflets have been stuck with sellotape on the glass – a big problem for the volunteers who clean the glass.

### CHOIR LOFT AND STAIRS

The Choir Loft is out of bounds to parishioners unless they are part of the Choir. In recent weeks at the 5pm and 8am Masses some families are using the Choir Loft especially those with young children. This is a safe guarding issue as the choir loft has music stands and other items that could be dangerous to your child. Some parishioners have taken to sitting on the stairs and encouraging their children to do so. This again is a safe guarding issue as access to choir members is blocked.

### CHURCH AND TOILETS

We have a team of dedicated volunteers who clean the Church and toilet areas. In the last week, the toilets have been left in a very bad state and unfair to our volunteers to have to deal with. Please clean up after yourselves.

If you have to feed your child biscuits or crisps or a drink and there is spillage or crumbs, please take away your rubbish including tissues – our volunteers are not here to clean up after you.