

ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM

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Sixth Sunday of Easter

8th/9th May 2021

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year B, Volume 1: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Psalm 97; 1 John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17
The Ascension of the Lord: Acts 1: 1-11; Psalm 46; Ephesians 1:17-23; Mark 16:15-20
Next Week: Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1: 15-17, 20-26; Psalm 102; John 4:11-16; John 17:11-19



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*This week Office Open: Monday and Wednesday
9.15am-1.15pm)*

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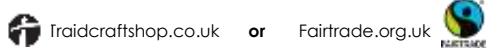
**Sr. Mary O'Malley, Sr. Nora
Gorman, Sr. Katherine O'Reilly**

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 Florie on a Monday or
Thursday 9.30am-12.30pm



Mass and other liturgies live streamed from
Westminster Cathedral and other parishes
are available at www.churchservices.tv

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EASING OF LOCKDOWN GETTING CLOSER

In the Gospel today Jesus says to us 'I have chosen you'. So, we are called by God, not to become a selective or exclusive group which is focused solely on its own survival. Instead we are called, chosen, invited and named by God to be a sign and presence of being a loving, compassionate parish to people in our world.

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.

Thanks to all of you who gave in your views. If you have not done so yet please let me have your feedback – it will be most helpful.

There are over 20 references to **love** in today's readings. The love that God showed by sending his Son for us, is the same generous, wholehearted love we are asked to show to others – all people - because God has no favourites.

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

Bidding Prayers for the week:

We celebrate our joy in the resurrection of the Lord and pray that we may express in our lives the love we commemorate.

-We pray for the Church: may we show in practical ways love, generosity and kindness to people in need in our own society and throughout the world.

--We pray that we may show care for the natural world and for those who depend upon it most directly – homeless people, refugees and poor communities.

- For our young people preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend: may the gift of the Holy Spirit strengthen them in their Christian faith, and renew in them their baptismal commitment

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.

God our Father, we make our prayers for ourselves and for all in need, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

We offer our warmest congratulations to the following young people who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend.

8th May 12.30pm

Jomima Adrineda, Ifechukwu Amobi, Alisha Baptiste, Shea Bundy, Victoria Ciekielecka, Swida Cruz, Swizel Cruz, Bryan Da Silva, Esha Dona, Tiffani Eluka, Bethany Fernandes, Cameron Fernandes, Rhea Fernandes, Vaman Fernandes and Leah Weekes.

8th May 2.30pm

Milly Bedell, Luke Fernandes, Adelene Galan, Varian Godinho, Kenisha Gracias, Philip Maharjan, Billy Moran, Yuna Pages, Aaron Rodrigues, Victorito Rodriguez, Kevin Rozario, Nicole Sobiechowska, Maddison~Rayne Tydir, Cevan Vaz and Goda Visockaite.

9th May 3.00pm

Afwevun Atumah, Angelika Buenafe, Sarah Cagdas, Denver Camelo, Nicole Sampson, Tamzin Lasam, Kiefer Morrison, Mia Mukasa, Justin Perez, Tatyana Rodriguez, Aaron Sabado-Garcia, Romelle Sano, Prince-Zakkai Small, Princess-Zatali Small, Elizandra Tavares, Irene Tojo, Bartlomiej Wesolowski and Natalia Wesolowski

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We offer our warmest congratulations to our young children who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion last Sunday. Apologies for not including your names in last week's newsletter.

Aleksander Slodkiewicz, Alex Santacroce, Alexander Jakubiak, Claudia Wilkolawska, Emmanuela-Mercy Asare, Filip Rutkowski, Gabriel Asare, Hoang Tran, Holly Hopper, Jaden Silveira, Jakub Sopko, Jayden Alamiyo, Jessica Kumar, Kai Zackary Kennedy, Mary Perera, Mason Jones, Sara Solinska, Shane O'Donnell and Wiktorja Kruczkowska

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

VIRTUAL MEETING WITH SEEMA MALHOTRA MP

The coronavirus pandemic has had a catastrophic impact on the world's poorest communities, with 150 million people set to fall into extreme poverty as a result. Meanwhile, the climate crisis is still a huge threat. Come and discuss with Seema Malhotra the role Britain can play in leading a just and green global recovery from the pandemic. As Britain will be hosting the G7 and Cop26 Climate talks this year, this is a unique opportunity for us all. **When: Thursday, 20th May 2021 at 19.00hrs.** This virtual event is being hosted on behalf of CAFOD by Miriam McEneaney as part of the Reclaim our Common Home Campaign. If you would like to take part, please email Miriam at miriam.mceaney@hotmail.com. Another option is to forward me any questions you would like to put to Seema.

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Joseph Steer, Halcyon Suzette Worrell, Laurence Kearns, Mary Delaney 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.

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

MASS INTENTIONS

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]
Mon 10	11am	Memorial Mass – Malcolm Preston RIP
Tues 11	11am	Constancio Fernandes RIP
Wed 12	11am	Edna Smith RIP
Thurs 13	11am 6pm	Jimmy O'Gorman (ill) Starina D'Souza RIP (6 th Anniversary)
Fri 14	11am	Manuel Rodrigues RIP
Sat 15	11am 5pm	Daphne D'Mello RIP (Month's Mind) Intentions of Frida & Family (C)
Sun 16	9am 9am 11am 11am	Santana D'Souza RIP [C] Sr Mildred Butler RIP [PC] Christine Cahalane RIP [C] Fernandes & Dias Families (Good Health) [PC]
Sanctuary Lamp: In Thanksgiving Noreen & Len Easterbrook 65 th Wedding Anniversary and Mark & Michelle Easterbrook 15 th Wedding Anniversary		

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