

# This week at St Lawrence's



16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> May 2015



**THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**  
(Missal Page 272– YEAR B Vol. 1)

Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 46; Ephesians 1:17-23; Mark 16:15-20  
PENTECOST SUNDAY (Missal Page 286): Acts 2:1-11; Psalm 103; 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13;  
John 20:19-23

## A SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

I have something really important to share with you all this weekend. After two years here at St Lawrence's as Assistant Priest, Fr Fortunato will be moving on at the end of August to pastures new. The Cardinal has appointed him Assistant Priest at St Joseph and the English Martyrs, Bishop's Stortford, along with two smaller communities in Hertfordshire, Holy Cross in Much Hadham and Most Holy Redeemer in Sawbridgeworth. They are very lucky to have him and he will bring with him a wealth of experience learnt here in our parish family. We will miss him immensely, not just for his personality and his untiring work in visiting, in the school, with our young people, in the prison and in the hospital, but for his sense of fun and his faithfulness. Still, he is going nowhere fast and will be with us from now until the first few days in September – and then he will be coming back for a proper farewell Mass and party. Details to follow.

As we say “goodbye” to Fr Fortunato I am delighted to announce that we will also be saying “welcome” to a new Assistant Priest, Fr Jeffrey Downie. Fr Jeffrey will be moving here in early September from his present parish of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St George in Enfield. I know him well, and I know that he will be “at home” really quickly.

Please pray for Fr Fortunato as he prepares for his new assignment and mission, and for Fr Jeffrey too – and thank God for our priests as we daily thank God for you.

**Fr Chris**

## SACRAMENTS

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

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

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May at 12.00noon**

*Aaron Lourdes Rodrigues Alan Pietka, Anatasia Georges Manoleris, Benjamin Francis Cooper, Billy Moran, Djenicy Gouveia Rodrigues, Joshua Kenchington, Karolina Gutmanska, Leah Monique Weekes, Mia Rosemary Mukasa, Natalia Wesolowska, Nikodem Ksiazek, Oliwer Marcin Chlopek, Victoria Ciekielecka, Wiktoria Anna Chlopek, Zuzanna Gutmanska*

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May at 6.00pm**

*Jason Louis Da Silva Policarpo, Mary Jessica Ramos Aquino, Julian Annan, Lewis Arthur Haigh, Rhiana Margaret D'Souza, Thomas Callum Lock, Aaron Jeremiah Sabado-Garcia Katie McTernan*

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 9.00am**

*Dominika Anna Chojnacka, Emily Jalo Ferrage, Emmanuel Salvatore Talarico, Eryk Ubusz, Yuna Monteiro Pages*

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 11.00am**

*Afwevun Emmanuella Atumah, Andrew Olivier Woszczeck, Jessica Micholowicz-Smith, Lilly May Thompson, Megan Alice Glenys Holland, Nicole Sarah Sampson, Nicole Skora, Victoria Strus*

*We pray that they will continue to grow in the love of the Lord.*

### CONFIRMATION

Please also keep our 41 young people in your prayers as they approach their Confirmation day. Candidates please remember your meeting with Fr. Chris on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>. If you have missed your meeting please contact Bridget immediately.

### PPC MEETING

The Parish Pastoral Council meet on **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May** at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. If anyone has any issues they would like raised, please put them in writing to the Chair, Michelle Moore-Saxton and hand them into the presbytery by 12noon on the day.

### SATURDAY MORNING CHANGES

There will be **No** 11am Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions on **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**. Instead there will be special First Holy Communion Masses at 12 noon, to which everyone is invited.

### PARISH BARBECUE

The Parish Barbecue will take place on **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June** in the Parish Centre, more details to follow shortly. Please mark this date in your diary. **The Social group** will meet this Tuesday at 6.30pm in the presbytery. All those interested in the social life of the parish are welcome to attend.

### THE LIFE OF CHRIST

On **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June** we are hoping to travel to Guildford for the amazing five-hour open air version of the Life of Christ. The performance starts at 10.00am and finishes at 4.00pm, and adult tickets are £18.00. If you would like to go please give your name, contact details and full payment to the Parish Office and we will let you know the travel plans. The closing date for bookings is Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May.

## REST IN PEACE

### HUBERT DE'SOUZA RIP

We pray for the repose of the soul of **Hubert De'Souza RIP** whose funeral will take place here on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May** at 11.00am. Please also keep in your prayers his wife Carmella, his children Charmaine and Robert, grandchildren and all the family who mourn him.

### OTHER

#### WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY

World Communications Day is celebrated this weekend, Ascension Sunday. We are encouraged to pray for communications professionals, especially those who work in the media. Please support the second collection after Mass which provides the funding for the Catholic Communications Network.

#### THE CATENIAN ROSARY GROUP AND ROSARIES ABROAD

The Catenian Association are appealing for unused or surplus rosaries we may have in our cupboards and drawers that they could send to third world countries. See poster on noticeboard for further details.

#### SPIRIT IN THE CITY FESTIVAL – Celebrating 10 years

The biggest Catholic Faith Celebration in West End Churches in the heart of London **10-13 June 2015**. Come and join us for the four-day celebration of our Catholic faith, including; a Theatre Drama, uplifting presentations, workshops, Eucharistic street processions, prayer, reflections of the theme of Rejoice in Hope. On **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June**, outdoor celebration in Leicester Square with live music on stage, workshops, prayer, reconciliation services and Mass. For detailed programme pick up a leaflet from the back of church or visit [www.spiritinthecity.org](http://www.spiritinthecity.org).

#### CELEBRATE TWICKENHAM

On **Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>** at St Mary's University, Waldegrave Road, Twickenham, Greater London TW1 4SX. Celebrate Twickenham is a lively, Catholic, faith filled weekend for the whole family organised by a team from Catholic Charismatic Renewal – with inspiring talks and workshops, streams for children & young adults aged 3 to 21 and Mass on both days. It's a perfect way for everyone to share and join together in a vibrant atmosphere to celebrate the love of God. Saturday Registration starts at 9am and the evening ends around 9.30pm. Sunday registration starts at 9am and the afternoon ends at 3.30pm. Booking required. Costs: Adults 22 and over - £38, Creche (0-4 years) – Free, Reception to School Year 6 - £10, School Year 7 to 11 - £15 and Year 12 to Age 21 - £20. For more details visit the website at: [www.celebrateconference.org/weekends/twickenham](http://www.celebrateconference.org/weekends/twickenham). The theme this year is "Your word is a lamp to guide my feet (Psalm 119:105). **Highly Recommended!**

#### WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016

Pope Francis has invited young people from all over the world to join him in Poland next year. Our own diocese are arranging a pilgrimage for this event from 19<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> July. The cost is £750.00, including travel by coach and accommodation, and is open to young people who will be aged 18 or over by 19<sup>th</sup> July 2016. To indicate your interest in this pilgrimage please print your name and contact number on the list in the Church porch. Get your name in early before the list closes!

### PARISH CENTRE

## BUILDING FUND UPDATE AS AT 12/05/15

**Our Target     £250,000.00**

No. of pledges:	139	Bucket Appeal:	£1,429.61
Total amount pledged:	£56,238.31	Total amount banked:	£28,174.19

### Mass intentions and other services this week:

<b>Saturday 16<sup>th</sup></b> Easter Feria	<b>12.00</b> 17.00 <b>18.00</b>	<b>First Holy Communion</b> Sacrament of Reconciliation <b>First Holy Communion</b>
<b>+ Sunday 17<sup>th</sup></b> THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD	<b>09.00</b> <b>11.00</b> <b>13.00</b> <b>18.00</b>	<b>First Holy Communion</b> <b>First Holy Communion</b> <b>Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)</b> <b>People of the Parish</b>
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup></b> Easter Feria	09.15 <b>09.30</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Fr Peter Rapaso RIP</b>
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup></b> Easter Feria	09.15 <b>09.30</b> 10.00	Morning Prayer <b>Brooke Staley (Intentions)</b> Novena to Our Lady
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup></b> Easter Feria	09.15 <b>09.30</b> <b>11.00</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Sr Monica Killeen (Intentions)</b> <b>FUNERAL MASS – HUBERT DE SOUZA RIP</b>
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup></b> Easter Feria	09.15 <b>09.30</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Celebrant's Intention</b>
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup></b> Easter Feria	09.15 <b>09.30</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Daniel Fogarty &amp; Anne Hayes RIP</b>
<b>Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup></b> Easter Feria	<b>12.00</b> <b>15.00</b> 17.00 <b>18.00</b>	<b>First Holy Communion</b> <b>First Holy Communion – Polish Community</b> Sacrament of Reconciliation <b>First Holy Communion</b>
<b>+ Sunday 24<sup>th</sup></b> PENTECOST SUNDAY	<b>09.00</b> <b>11.00</b> <b>13.00</b> <b>14.30</b> <b>18.00</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b> <b>Christine Cahalane RIP (Anniversary)</b> <b>Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)</b> <b>Mass led by the African Community</b> <b>Marveline Toussaint RIP (Anniversary)</b>

#### Sanctuary Lamp: Raphael Danladi (Intentions)

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

**9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> May:** Envelopes: £1164.03 Loose: £849.00 Standing Orders: £548.42  
Total: £2561.45

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**Sunday Mass Times: Saturday 6 pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 9 am, 11 am, 1pm (Polish) & 6 pm**  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) - Saturday 11am & 5pm**

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**Assistant Priest:** Fr Fortunato Pantisano

**Parish Sisters:** Sr. Katherine O'Reilly, Sr. Monica Killeen, Sr. Nora Gorman

**Pastoral Assistant:** Bridget Brinkley

**Parish Secretary:** Florie Fernandes

May is the month of Our Lady, an inspiration to discover the Rosary afresh and to use it more in our own personal and parish prayer life. Our Church Repository has Rosaries, prayer books and prayer cards to help us on that path.

