

ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM

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Seventh Sunday of Easter



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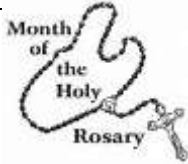
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20th/21st May 2023



Year A, Volume 1 (Page 275): Acts 1:12-14; Psalm 26; 1 Peter 4:13-16; John 17:1-11

Sunday 28th May – PENTECOST SUNDAY (Page 288): Acts 2:1-11; Psalm 103; 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13; Sequence; John 20:19-23



Dear Friends,

Last Thursday we celebrated The Ascension of The Lord. In 2019, before any of us had even heard of Covid or lockdown, I was fortunate enough to attend Mass on Ascension Day at the Chapel of the Ascension on the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem. Mass was celebrated in Italian but despite this it was in fact quite easy to follow the Mass. That said, I couldn't possibly understand the homily, however an English speaking Italian pilgrim was able to translate for me and the thirty or so other English speaking people who were present. If I recall correctly the priest spoke of a message of witness and it seems to me that this message of witness becomes even more relevant as each year passes.

Personally, I find the lives of the saints inspirational, but one I find particularly inspirational is St Maximilian Kolbe, a catholic priest who had been arrested by the Nazi's and imprisoned in Auschwitz. The SS authorities had chosen ten men to be starved to death and one called out "what about my wife and family?" Fr Maximilian was in earshot and volunteered to take the place of the condemned man. Along with the others he was locked in a cell and after no food or water for two weeks Fr Maximilian was the only one who was still alive. The guards then murdered Fr Maximilian and cremated his body. Fr Maximilian's Christian witness and love for Our Lord Jesus Christ was so intense that he quite literally did lay down his life for his flock.

I don't think that I would, and I certainly hope that none of us ever have to, make the sacrifice that Fr Maximilian made but we are each of us called (by virtue of our baptism) to witness our lives, our deeds and our words. Here at St Lawrence's we wouldn't be able to function as a parish if it wasn't for the actions of our volunteers, many of whom have worked quietly in the background for many years. We are currently looking for catechists to help prepare our children for their First Sacrament of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation, so if you feel you are able to help then please email Cathy for a chat.

Have a blessed week.

Deacon Colin

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Protecting your Privacy:

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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 2nd Sunday 2.30pm & 4th Saturday 7.00pm; Malayalam Mass 3rd Sunday 2.30pm; Mass in Tagalog 4th Saturday 3pm; Mass led by Nigerian Chaplaincy 4th Sunday 2.30pm.

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

SATURDAY MORNING CHANGES

There will be **no** Eucharistic Adoration on **Saturday 27th May**. Instead there will be special First Holy Communion Mass at 11am.

On Saturday June 3rd and 17th, we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation at Special Masses at 11am and 2pm when the Episcopal Vicar will preside. Again on these days there will be no Eucharistic Adoration.

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

REPOSITORY

The Repository has been stocked up with a variety of items including First Holy Communion and Confirmation gifts and cards. Please stop and have a look.

CONFIRMATION

Please keep in your prayers our Confirmation Candidates, some of whom are on retreat and the second group going next weekend in preparation for their Confirmation.

HOUSE BLESSING

If you would like your house blessed, please contact one of the clergy.

FELTHAM LOURDES PILGRIMAGE JULY

All those who have booked to go Lourdes are invited to a meeting in the Parish Centre on **Monday 22nd May at 6pm** to go through the itinerary, get dates for payment of balance, room shares, insurance, UK Global Health Insurance Card, etc. Mo from St Peter's Pilgrimages will be present to answer any questions.

BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

◆ **THREE OPPORTUNITIES TO LISTEN TO BLESSED CARLO'S ANTONIA SALZANO ACUTIS, SPEAK ABOUT HER SON**

1. WEDNESDAY 31 MAY, 7.30-9.30PM at Farm Street Church, London W1K 3AH. Details on front page.

2. THURSDAY 1 JUNE, Corpus Christi Church, Maiden Lane, London WC2E 7NB (nearest tube Covent Garden, Leicester Square or Charing Cross). There will be a sung **Mass at 6:30pm**, followed by the talk and an opportunity to venerate a relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis.

3. SATURDAY 3 JUNE, St Patrick's, 21a Soho Square, W1D 4NR (nearest tube Tottenham Court Road) from 12 noon – A Day with Blessed Carlo Acutis on the Eucharist
All are most welcome to this rare and exciting opportunity to hear from the parent of a soon-to-be saint!



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The next meeting will be on **Monday 5th June** at 12noon.

THE LONDON EUCHARISTIC OCTAVE & ANNUAL CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

The Diocesan Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament, Corpus Christi, Maiden Lane in Covent Garden will be hosting a Eucharistic Octave from 3rd to 11th June. This has been organised by several London parishes to celebrate our Eucharistic Lord in the lead up to the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. Full details can be found at catholiclondon.org or on the attached poster and on our website. The Octave concludes with the Annual Corpus Christi Procession through central London, departing from Warwick Street at 3pm on Sunday 11th June.

EXHIBITION OF ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

The National Gallery is holding an exhibition from **6th May to 30th July 2023** exploring the life and legacy of St Francis of Assisi. Curated by the National Gallery's Director, Dr Gabriele Finaldi, and Dr Joost Joustra, the Gallery's Curator in Art and Religion, the exhibition will include paintings by Botticelli, Sassetta, Caravaggio, Murillo, El Greco, and Antony Gormley as well as a new commission from Richard Long. Admission to the exhibition is free and so is likely to be attractive to many people and very popular. For further information see the exhibition's website at <https://www.nationalgallery.org.uk/exhibitions/saint-francis-of-assisi>

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 20	11.00am 2.00pm 5.00pm	FIRST HOLY COMMUNION FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Rosy D'Costa RIP
✱ Sun 21	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 1.00pm 2.30pm	Sue Clark (Get well) David Crawley RIP (Anniversary) Christine Cahalane RIP (Anniversary) Mass in Polish (Msza sw) Mass in Malayalam
Mon 22	08.15am 09.30am	Sr Katherine O'Reilly (Intention) Clement Martins RIP (Anniversary)
Tues 23	9.30am 7.00pm	Pauline Folake Badejo RIP (Anniversary) Jonas Gjeka (Special Intention)
Wed 24	9.30am	Raymond Nwasike RIP (Anniversary)
Thurs 25	9.30am	Sr Katherine O'Reilly (Intention)
Fri 26	9.30am 1.30pm	Sr Nora O'Gorman (Intention) REQUIEM MASS MAUREEN FENLON RIP
Sat 27	11.00am 3.00pm 5.00pm 7.00pm	FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Mass in Tagalog Kathleen O'Donnell RIP (Anniversary) Mass in Ukrainian
✱ Sun 28	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 1.00pm 2.30pm	Pedrina & Manuel Fernandes RIP Mackey & Anceicao Fernandes in Thanksgiving – 25 th Wedding Anniversary) Barbara May Light RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw) Mass led by the Nigerian Chaplaincy
Sanctuary Lamp: Raymond Nwasike RIP		

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of Maureen Fenlon RIP, Ethan Joseph RIP and Roy Watson, who passed away recently.

Maureen Fenlon RIP - Her Requiem Mass will take place here on **Friday 26th May at 1.30pm** followed by cremation at Hanworth Crematorium.

Ethan Joseph RIP – His Funeral Service will take place at Hanworth Crematorium on **Thursday 25th May at 1.20pm**.

Please also keep in your prayers their families and friends

FILIPINO COMMUNITY

The next Mass in Tagalog will be on Saturday 27th May at 3pm.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES 2023-24

A few boxes awaiting collection, please collect as soon as possible

DID YOU KNOW that Church teaching says that we should not only support those in poverty but also tackle the root causes of poverty? Pope Benedict XVI said that "Love — caritas — is an extraordinary force which leads people to opt for courageous and generous engagement in the field of justice and peace."

To find out more, please go to cafod.org.uk/latestcampaigns

FOLLOWING THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE SAINTS CALLED TO ACTION BY OUR FAITH

You are invited to CAFOD's International Office on **Saturday 10th June** for a short time exploring our faith, why we Campaign & how you can help. The morning will include guest speakers & a chance for discussion in workshops to explore activities such as [Live Simply](#), Our unfair Food System and Liturgy resources.

The morning will run from 10.30-1pm at CAFOD's Office in Lambeth North SE1. For further information contact Tony tsheen@cafod.org.uk or booking please see <https://cafod.org.uk/news/events> or Eventbrite [here](#).

JOB VACANCIES

Please see notice board for vacancies around the Diocese and also at Mary's Meals and St Paul's School

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

13-14 May: Loose £1,249.45 Envelopes £270.36

Easter: £5.00 **Total £1,524.81**

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