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32nd Sunday of the Year

9th/10th November 2019

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year C, Volume 2: Page 160: 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14; Psalm 16;
2 Thessalonians 2:16, 3:5; Luke 20:27-38
Next Week: 33rd Sunday of the Year: Page: 164: Malachi 3:19-20; Psalm 97; 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12; Luk3 21:5-19



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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

Sunday Mass: 6pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 9am, 11am, 1pm (Polish) & 6pm; Weekday Mass: Monday-Friday 9.30am; Saturday 12noon; Morning Prayer: Monday-Friday 9.15am, Novena to Our Lady: Tuesdays 10am; Exposition and Benediction: Saturdays 11am; Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): Saturday 11am & 5pm

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

NOVEMBER LISTS

Available at the back of Church, please fill in and place in the basket at the foot of the altar.

What does it mean for us to believe in a God who sees all of us as alive?

Today's Gospel raises the question for us of what it means to know and worship God who is '*God, not of the dead, but of the living.*' In this month of November, we remember and pray for our dead, all those friends and family members who have gone before us. By faith we acknowledge that they are now with God in heaven, and our hope is that we may one day, by the grace of God, be re-united.

We feel their absence keenly, and wish to see them again. We reassure ourselves of their nearness. For example, a well-known poem describes the dead as '*in the next room*'. This is a lovely image of being near, but it also stresses their absence: we may go into that room, but our dearly departed will slip away unseen, into the next one.

In Matthew's Gospel, when Jesus died on the cross we are told that '*at that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom.*' That curtain divided people from the presence of God in the Holy of Holies, that is, the space behind the curtain.

In this place, the ark of the covenant rested in dark and silence, until, on only one day each year, the high priest came with blood from the atoning sacrifice offered for the people, and sprinkled it on the ark. Then he would withdraw, and the ark symbolising God's presence existing in the covenants made with the Jewish people, would return to its dark isolation.

In being one of us, a human being, Jesus broke the division between God and us. But he went even further. By entering into death, he, the Living One, destroyed it. Now neither death nor life can separate us from the love of God – Jesus Christ. The reality of this is perfected in the Holy Eucharist, where we share in the Love which conquers death.

Therefore, at every Mass, let us remind ourselves to live each moment of each day with this life. Then we will be more intimately united with all our loved ones who are also united with Christ. Even though we cannot see them: they are closer to us now than ever before: the veil has been torn down.

Dr Jordan

SACRAMENTS

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION **TUESDAY** GROUP

We meet on **Tuesday 12th November** at 4.30pm in the Parish Centre.

CONFIRMATION 2020

The next Confirmation Class for Candidates is on **Thursday 14th November** at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The next session will be on **Saturday 16th November at 10am** in the Presbytery.

PARISH NOTICES

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

The Pastoral Council Meeting takes place on **Tuesday 19th November** at 7.00pm in the presbytery. We invite people from every ethnic group in the parish to come along and see how we can help each other to work together towards making this an amazing parish.

At this meeting we will also discuss plans for the Advent Fayre, so if you are able to help at the Fayre please come along to the meeting.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

The parade will set off at 2.40pm from St Lawrence's School Car Park onto Victoria Road and along the High Street to the War Memorial for the service. There will be refreshments in the Parish Centre after the service. **THE SCHOOL CAR PARK WILL BE CLOSED AFTER THE 11AM MASS AND REOPENED FOR THE 6PM MASS.**

SPECIAL MASS FOR THE RECENTLY BEREAVED

On **Sunday 10th November** at 6pm we shall be celebrating a special Mass to pray for the peaceful repose of parishioners, who have died over the past year and to pray for the comforting of their families. There will be refreshments in the Parish Centre after Mass.

CHILDREN'S SPIRITUALITY AND PRAYING WITH CHILDREN.

For catechists and all those who are interested. A two-evening course **Monday 25th November and Monday 9th December**, at 7.30 – 9pm in the Parish Centre by Anna Dupelycz from the Diocese. Its free, refreshments will be available.

FOUNDATION/PARENT SCHOOL GOVERNORS NEEDED

St Lawrence Catholic School is looking for dedicated individuals who want to make a difference in the lives of the children in our Parish. Governors play an important role as members of the school's governing body. If you would like more details, please contact either the school office or Mr Michael Fatyga our Chair for more details. Please see noticeboard for a full brief.

SERVICE FOR THE UNBORN

Friday November 29th, 7pm. Service for the Unborn. A short service remembering our unborn children, all those, who, for whatever reason, died before birth.

RECEPTION SCHOOL FORM SIGNING

Fr John will be available to see families applying for admission to Reception Class on the following dates and times. To book an appointment please put your name on the list in the Church porch before your preferred date. There are a maximum of 20 appointment slots for each date. On the day of your appointment please come with your child and wait in Church. Make sure you bring your child's Baptism Certificate and your Certificate of Catholic Practice

November – Tuesday 19th 3.45pm-5.30pm
December – Saturday 14th 9.30am-10.30am
January – Saturday 11th 9.30am-10.30am



ADVENT FAYRE



On **Sunday 24th Nov** we are planning to hold an Advent Fayre 10am - 3pm. We need your help please. If you would like to run a stall, bake some cakes, help make breakfast, supply lunch food, donate raffle prizes or items for sale or a bottle for the bottle stall we would be very grateful. Please contact one of the parish team or Bridget Brinkley on 07805 299 941 or email mbridgetb@yahoo.co.uk if you can help. This is part of our fundraising to pay our Parish Centre debt. We look forward hearing from you.

There is a box by the Baptistry to put your donations of gifts for the Fayre. Thank you. **Help needed to set up from 4pm on Saturday 23rd November.**

THE SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS' COLLECTION

The second collection **next week** will be for the sick and retired priests of our Diocese. At present, 80 priests are receiving support from the fund after years of dedicated service to God and their parishioners. By supporting the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund, you can help cover essential costs such as ensuring they have a suitable place to live, and regular visits from carers when they are sick. This is our chance to say thank you to our sick and retired priests who have given so much. You will find a donation envelope at the back of the church today. Please take one home, and bring it back next weekend with your donation. Please continue to pray for the wellbeing of all of our clergy: active, retired and ill. You can donate online at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations

WEST LONDON GOANS SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB

are celebrating the Feast of Saint Francis Xavier on the **1st December 2019** in the St Lawrence Parish Hall. Live band and a three course meal will be served. Time: 1 pm to 7 pm. Tickets: £14 for adults and children 6 - 11 years £5. Book early as tickets are limited. Contact Mary D'Souza.

ALLIANCE OF THE 2 HEARTS – PARISH CONSECRATION

Following the visit of the Centennial Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima at our church on 18th September, representatives of the Alliance will be visiting the Church on **Sunday 17th November** for consecration of the parish to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary and Home Enthronement of the 60 parishioners who had signed up. This will take place during the 11am Mass.

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of **John Flynn RIP, John James O'Reilly RIP** (Sr Katherine's brother), **Michael Kilcoyne RIP** and **Daniel Dickinson RIP** who have died recently. Please also keep in your prayers their families and all who mourn them. May they rest in peace.

DANIEL DICKINSON RIP – His Funeral will take place at Hanworth Crematorium on **Monday 11th November** at 11am.

MICHAEL KILCOYNE RIP – His Requiem Mass will take place here on **Wednesday 13th November** at 10.15am. This will be the only Mass that day. **THE CAR PARK WILL BE CLOSED** that morning.

JOHN FLYNN RIP – He will be cremated on Friday 15th November and a Requiem Memorial will be held on **Wednesday 20th November** at 9.30am. **THE CAR PARK WILL BE CLOSED** that morning.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 9	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	11.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	12.00	In Thanksgiving – Crasta Family
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	18.00	Camilo Barreto RIP (Anniversary)
Sun 10	09.00	Augustine Field RIP
	11.00	The War Dead
	13.00	Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)
	14.30	Mass in Ukrainian
	15.00	Remembrance Service at Cenotaph
	18.00	Mass for Bereaved Families
Mon 11	09.30	Philip Wenceslaus, Jokaran Vasikaran & Vasikaran Junushan RIP
Tues 12	09.30	Novena Cota Cruz RIP
Wed 13	10.15	REQUIEM MASS – MICHAEL KILCOYNE RIP
Thurs 14	09.30	Martin & Bridget Moore RIP
Fri 15	09.30	Althea & Anthony Adams in Thanksgiving
Sat 16	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	11.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	12.00	Sabina Alvares RIP (Anniversary)
	12.45	Baptisms of Rose Pabroquez, Jed Almeida, Oliver Maszczyk, Isaac & Isabelle Osborne
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	18.00	Deceased members of the Wijeyakumar Family RIP
Sun 17	09.00	Mary Fogarty RIP
	11.00	Deceased members of the 11am Choir
	13.00	Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)
	14.30	Mass in Malayalam
	18.00	Rafael Sabino RIP
Sanctuary Lamp:		Gabriel Danladi, Felicia Araba Forson and Patrick Yahowa RIP

Thank you for your generosity in last week's collection:

2-3 November: Envelopes £776.67 Loose £1,213.12
 Standing Orders £769.00 **Total £2,758.79**