# This week at **St Lawrence's**



14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> November 2015

33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Year (Missal Page 157 – YEAR B Vol. 2)

Daniel 12:1-13; Psalm 15; Hebrews 10:11-14, 18; Mark 13:24-32
Next week: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Missal Page160): Daniel 7:13-14; Psalm 92;
Apocalypse 1:5-8; John 18:33-37



Christmas Bazaar – Sunday 6th December - 10am-3pm



## **Dear Friends**

Today's Gospel reminds us of the "coming" of God which we tend to forget, namely, God's daily coming to us in the ordinary events of our lives. We must learn to recognize and welcome Him in these everyday occurrences – happy, encouraging, painful or disappointing – always remembering that He comes without warning. Let us remember that the Lord is present wherever people treat each other with gentleness, generosity, thoughtfulness and above all without bigotry. Hence, let us try to bring Jesus to earth, as Blessed Mother Teresa puts it: "by doing little things to others around us with great love."

A Sunday school teacher asked his class, "If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale and gave all my money to the Church, would that get me into Heaven? "NO!" the children all answered. "If I cleaned the Church every day, mowed the yard, and kept everything neat and tidy, would that get me into Heaven?" Again, the answer was, "NO!" Again the teacher asked, "Well, then, if I were kind to animals and gave candy to all the children, and loved my wife, would that get me into Heaven?" Again, they all answered, "NO!" "Well then how can I get into Heaven?" A five-year-old boy shouted out, "YOU GOTTA BE DEAD!"

With thanks and prayers

Fr John

## **NOVEMBER – THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS**

### **NOVEMBER LISTS**

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

## SPECIAL MASS FOR THE RECENTLY BEREAVED

On **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> 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. Please come along to offer the support of your prayers to those who are grieving. The Bereavement Support Group will be providing refreshments and a listening ear after Mass.

## **PARISH NOTICES**

### **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

Part of the Action Plan following our recent Health and Safety Inspection is to recruit a team of Evacuation Marshalls for each of our weekend Masses. We need at least three people per Mass to be trained in what to do in the event of an incident or emergency. We are holding a meeting for anyone who would like to be involved with this on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November**, 6.30-7.15pm in the Presbytery.

## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Parish Pastoral Council meet on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November** at 7.30pm in the Presbytery. 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 Parish Office by 12noon on the day.

### UCM

The UCM will meet on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm** at the Salvation Army Hall in Bedfont Lane, to enjoy an interesting talk by Sr Nora.

#### **RACE NIGHT**

The Social Committee invite you to a Race Night in the School Hall on **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November** from 7pm. Tickets on sale after all Masses this weekend (Adults £5.00, Children under 11 free). Bring your own drink. Ploughman's supper included.

## **THANK YOU**

Thank you very much for your support

**REMEMBRANCE DAY** - Thanks to all those who helped with hosting the reception after the Remembrance Sunday Service last weekend. You did us proud.

**IRIS ELDRIDGE SPONSORSHIP MONEY** – Total in to date - £1,507.20. If you haven't paid up, please do so as soon as possible.

**SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS FUND** – £1,256.71 including Gift Aid was collected last weekend, the collection will remain open for a couple of weeks.

### SATURDAY NIGHT HELPERS

We would like to recruit some understudies for John Lock to help with opening the Church, setting up for Mass and organising the collection. It would be good to get a few names to help out.

## **RECEPTION CLASS ADMISSIONS 2016**

The dates and times that Fr Chris will be available to see families are on the notice board in the Church porch. To make an appointment to see him please put your name on one of the lists. Make sure you bring your child with you for the appointment, along with their Baptism Certificate and your Certificate of Catholic Practice.

## **ADVENT CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP**

SUNDAY 29th NOVEMBER - 2-30pm – 4.30pm SCHOOL HALL AND 4.30pm IN CHURCH FOR A SHORT CHRISTINGLE SERVICE



The workshop is for children from 2-12 years old. All children under 5 must be accompanied by an adult who will need to stay with them throughout the event. There is a small charge of £1.00 for each child. This pays for items used during the workshop and any profit made will go to "Home-Start's Snowflake Appeal". All children must be signed in when attending this workshop.

The workshop will enable the children to make Advent and Christmas crafts and sing songs. Some of the items that are made from this event will be displayed in the Church, other items can be taken home.

#### COME AND SEE – A ONE DAY MEDITATION PROGRAMME FOR THE YOUTH

Meditation has been identified as a practice that makes you stronger, better and more efficient at work. It helps you become more focused and less confused. It disciplines your mind and encourages a culture of mindfulness or living in the present. The programme is aimed at 17-35 year olds and will take place in Church on Saturday 19th December from 9.30am-3.30pm. Please see poster on the notice board for the programme. There are a maximum of 35 spaces therefore it is important to reserve a place as soon as possible. Please contact Fr John on 020 8890 2367 or email feltham@rcdow.org.uk to reserve a place.

# **OTHER**

### CAFOD - WORLD GIFTS

Please take a copy of the CAFOD World Gifts brochure from the table in the porch.

#### **FUN IN THE PARK**

Churches Together in Feltham, Hanworth and Bedfont are planning a Sport and Fun Day next May and are holding a meeting for anyone interested in helping out. The meeting is at All Saints Church Hall (behind All Saints Church on Uxbridge Road, Hanworth) on Thursday 26th November at 7.30pm. It would be great if St Lawrence's could be involved.

#### INTERFAITH EVENT

The Centre for Spirituality and Cultural Advancement (CSCA) and St Lawrence's presents "Reflecting on the place of Mary in our faith traditions" on Saturday 28th November at 1pm at the CSCA Centre, Manor Lane, Feltham TW13 4JQ. All those interested in attending please meet Fr Chris after the 12noon Mass and walk to the Centre.

## IMPORTANT - CAR PARKING

#### **URGENT REMINDER**

There is to be absolutely no double parking in the school car park. This blocks emergency access to the school and Church for ambulances and fire engines. We will be re-enforcing our policy of lowering the bar in the school car park once the designated 20 spaces are full.

Please note that there is NO PARKING on the Church premises except for two marked spaces - one for Fr Chris the other for disabled parking. ALL CAR USERS are asked to find alternative parking from this time forward for the next twelve months. This applies to weekday and weekend parking

There are service vehicles coming in and out of the parish so please DO NOT TRY AND PARK IN THE CHURCH GROUNDS.

PLEASE DO NOT PARK ANYWHERE ON THE GREEN AS IT IS FOR RESIDENTS' PRIVATE USE ONLY



# GRAND CHRISTMAS BAZAAR - SUNDAY 6TH DECEMBER 10.00AM-3.00PM



## How you can help:

- Publicity posters are available for display in your front window and in local shops, and if you would like an Estate Agent's sign outside your house to advertise the Bazaar it's not too late to fill in a pink slip from the Church porch and put it through the Presbytery letter box. Not suitable for flats.
- Tickets for the Grand Christmas Raffle are available to sell and buy. Please sell as many books as you can (in books of 5, £1.00 per ticket).
- Santa has asked us to recruit a team of elves to help him out this year please ask Fr Chris for details.
- We are receiving donations of toiletries, perfume and beauty products, unwanted gifts, good new or nearly new bric-a-brac, good Christmas decorations, homemade jams and preserves (please date them), bottles (alcoholic or soft), jewellery, tombola prizes, aift vouchers, boxes of chocolates, homemade cakes and Christmas cakes (but no toys or jumble please). These can be brought to the presbytery or the Church over the next few weeks and left in the big box by the Baptismal Font.
- Put your name on the list in the Church porch to help set up the Bazaar, help on one of the many stalls and help in the grand clear-up at the end of the day.
- Above all, put this date in your diary and spread the word!

## Mass intentions and other services this week:

Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup>	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and
Feria		Sacrament of Reconciliation
	11.45	Benediction
	12.00	Bridget & Martin Moore RIP
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	18.00	Peter & Cynthia Everett RIP (Anniversary)
+ Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	09.00	Deceased members of the Bragança & Pereira Families
33rd Sunday of the Year	11.00	People of the Parish
	13.00	Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)
	18.00	Mass for the Bereaved
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup>	09.15	Morning Prayer
St Edmund of Abingdon	09.30	Trevor Mackrodt (Birthday Thanksgiving)
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	09.15	Morning Prayer
Feria	09.30	In Thanksgiving – Tavares Family
	10.00	Novena to Our Lady
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	09.15	Morning Prayer
Feria	09.30	Agnelo Romano Rato RIP
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	09.15	Morning Prayer
Feria	09.30	Celebrant's Intention
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	09.15	Morning Prayer
Feria	09.30	Joseph Monteiro RIP
Saturday 21st	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and
The Presentation of the Blessed		Sacrament of Reconciliation
Virgin Mary	11.45	Benediction
	12.00	Ray Palmer RIP
	12.45	Baptisms of Aoife Rose Beanson and Ava Julia Vallis
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	18.00	Annette Lynch RIP (Anniversary)
+ Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	09.00	People of the Parish
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,	11.00	Deceased members and friends of the 11am Choir
KING OF THE UNIVERSE	13.00	Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)
	14.30	Mass led by the African Community
	18.00	For World Peace

Sanctuary Lamp: Gabriel Danladi and Patrick Ibrahim Yahowa RIP

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

7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Nov: Envelopes: £1,047.35 Loose: £814.707 Standing Orders: £451.00 Total: £2,313.05

PARISH CENTRE UPDATE: MONEY BANKED AS AT 03/11/2015 - £43,841.53

Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trustees: Reaistered Charity No. 233699

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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