



St Lawrence Catholic Church

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33rd Sunday of the Year

18th/19th November 2017

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year A, Volume 2: (Missal Page 155): Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Psalm 127; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30

Next Week: Feast of Christ the King: Page 158: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17; Psalm 22; 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46

USING OUR TALENTS

The parable in today's Gospel is often seen as an encouragement to use our God-given talents and to take risks for the sake of the kingdom of God. This will involve putting our trust in God.

The prayer of Thomas Merton captures this very well:

"My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. Nor do I really know myself. And the fact that I think I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so.

But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. And I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that if I do this, you will lead me by the right road though I may know nothing about it.

Therefore, I will trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me. And you will never leave me to face my struggles alone".

FR. JOHN

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 and 5pm

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS

A warm welcome to Tadhg Gary Cooper who will be baptised this weekend and we offer our warmest congratulations to his family.

FIRST CONFESSIONS

First Confessions for our First Holy Communion will take place on **Saturday 2nd December** from 9.30am-10.30am and 10.45am-11.45am. There will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament or Adult Confessions on this day. Please keep our children in your prayers.

CONFIRMATION

The next Session for Group 1 will be on **Tuesday 21st November** at 7.15pm in the Parish Centre.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The next session is on **Wednesday 29th November** at 7.00pm in the Parish Centre.

PARISH NOTICES

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.

TABLE TOP SALE

There will be a Table Top sale on **Sunday 19th November** after the 9am and 11am Masses. Tea, coffee and savoury snacks available.

MASS INTENTIONS

We will be taking Mass Intentions for next year from **Monday 20th November, from 10am-11am. Each family (household) can offer 3 Masses only** to be said in St Lawrence's for the year. Any intentions over that will be sent to the Missions. This will enable every parishioner to have a Mass said in Church. The Mass Stipend remains at £10.00 per Mass as recommended by the Diocese, this also applies to Masses being sent to the Missions.

UCM

The UCM meet on **Monday 20th November** at 7.30pm. We will be holding a 'Bring and Buy' sale for charity. A Quiz just for fun will also be included. This programme has been changed from the printed copy.

RECEPTION CLASS ADMISSIONS 2018

The dates and times that Fr John will be available to see families are:

Tuesday 21st November from 3.45am to 5.30pm

Saturday 16th December from 9.30am to 10.30am

Saturday 6th January from 9.30am to 10.30am

Tuesday 9th January from 3.45pm to 5.30pm

To make an appointment to see him please put your name on one of the lists on the noticeboard in the Church porch. Make sure you bring your child with you for the appointment, along with their Baptism Certificate and the Certificate of Catholic Practice.

LINE DANCING

Following positive and enthusiastic feedback from the Line Dancing Evening a few weeks ago, Terri will be holding a Line Dancing Class on **Monday 27th November** and **Monday 11th December** at 7.30pm. All welcome. Cost: £4.00 per person per session.

ADVENT – CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP

On Sunday, 3rd December - 3-30pm – 5.30pm in the Parish Centre.

The workshop is for children from 4 – 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. All children must be signed in when attending this workshop. Please put your name on the list at the back of Church if you would like to help.

PRE-CHRISTMAS GET TOGETHER

Groups using the Parish Centre on a regular basis (i.e. Early Risers, Mother & Toddlers, over 50's, etc.) are having a pre-Christmas get together on **Thursday 7th December** in the Parish Centre from 7pm onwards. Everyone is invited to come along to a "bring and share" Christmas supper.

OTHER

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR – SUNDAY 19TH NOVEMBER

In his message for the first *World Day of the Poor* to be celebrated on 19th November, Pope Francis asks all of us, whatever our means or background, to unite in love, in acts of service to one another and in genuine encounter. There are some prayer cards on the table at the back of Church. Further details can be found at www.caritaswestminster.org.uk/wdotp.

SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS COLLECTION 2017

Thanks to everyone who donated to the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund Collection last weekend. It is not too late to make a donation if you wish. Donation leaflets are available at the back of the church, or by contacting the Parish Office. You can also donate online at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations. This important collection helps cover the financial expenses of priests who are sick or retired. In the Diocese of Westminster. Thank you for your prayers for all our Catholic priests, and especially for those concluding a lifetime of service to the Church. An amazing sum of £1,494.75 plus £141.25 in Gift Aid was collected last weekend.

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY

LIFE is a national charity with a 46 year track record of successfully offering positive alternatives to those affected by a crisis pregnancy. Life is looking for new volunteers to help at their busy Pregnancy Matters Centre in Hounslow where they offer practical and emotional support to women at a particularly challenging period in their life. All volunteers will be offered training in counselling skills – the next Accredited Level 2 Listening Skills course will begin in January 2018. For more information please contact Joanna.James@lifecharity.org.uk or phone 020 8570 7717.

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the souls of **Colleen Hendly RIP, Dorothy Louise Rita Wilby RIP and Leonora Fernandes RIP** who died recently. Please also keep in your prayers their families and all who mourn them.

The funeral of **Dorothy Louise Rita Wilby RIP** will take place on **Friday 24th November at 10.20am** at Hanworth Crematorium.

Funeral arrangements for **Colleen Hendly RIP** will be announced shortly.

The funeral of **Leonora Fernandes RIP** took place in Goa this weekend. She was the mother of George Fernandes.

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

11-12 November: Envelopes £886.89; Loose: £1,053.80
Standing Orders: £667.00 **Total: £2,607.69**

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 18 th	11.00 11.00 12.00 12.45 17.00 18.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sacrament of Reconciliation Mrs Delaney RIP Baptism of Tadhg Gary Cooper Sacrament of Reconciliation People of the Parish (First Holy Communion Children's Mass)
Sun 19 th	09.00 11.00 13.00 18.00	For the intentions of the Fogarty Family John Igboanugo Jnr RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) Deceased members of the Canha Family
Mon 20 th	09.30	Antonio Pereira in Thanksgiving
Tues 21 st	9.30	Ray Palmer RIP
Wed 22 nd	09.30	Vineetha & Joseph Perera RIP
Thurs 23 rd	09.30	Harry Haldane RIP (Anniversary)
Fri 24 th	09.30	David Brattesani RIP
Sat 25 th	11.00 11.00 12.00 15.00 17.00 18.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sacrament of Reconciliation For the intentions of the Rosario Family Mass in Tagalog for the Filipino Community Sacrament of Reconciliation Theresa Molloy RIP
Sun 26 th	09.00 11.00 13.00 14.30 18.00	Samuel Pereira – Birthday Thanksgiving Deceased members of the 11o'clock Choir Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) Mass led by the African Community People of the Parish
Sanctuary Lamp: Gabriel Danladi, Felicia Araba Forson and Patrick Yakowa RIP		