



# St Lawrence Catholic Church

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**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

**19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

**Readings:** (Page 167): 2 Samuel 5:1-3; Psalm 121; Colossians 1:12-20; Luke 23:35-43

**Next Week: Parish Mass Book Year A, Volume 1:** (Missal Page: 82): Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 121; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:37-44

Deacon Simon writes....

Recently I watched two TV series "Victoria" and then "The Crown", both portrayed young Queens and their internal struggle to do their duty, but also, to be themselves.

Queen Victoria showed great leadership by shaping a new role for the Royal Family, reconnecting it with the public through civic duties.

Our Queen Elizabeth in her coronation speech said "I have in sincerity pledged myself to your service, as so many of you are pledged to mine." I hope that we all agree that during her reign our Queen has held true to this pledge.

Both Queens had a similar concept of duty, to lead their people by serving the people. This is the true mark of a royal which is brought to perfection in Jesus, Christ the King. Jesus said "I have come to serve not to be served" and that is the watchword for all Deacons. Your parish is truly blessed since you have inspired one of your number to seek ordination as a Deacon. The word Deacon means servant and all Deacons seek to serve the Church – that is the people of God – as Jesus served.

On this feast of Christ the King let us all thank God for the example of service that Jesus gives us and let us pray that we are all inspired to serve the people we meet over the coming week.

Deacon Simon is a Permanent Deacon in the Hemel Hempstead Parishes and is visiting our parish this weekend.

We pray for Colin from our Parish who is training for the Permanent Diaconate.

## PARISH NOTICES

### \*\*\* ST LAWRENCE'S CHURCH BAZAAR \*\*\*

**Date: Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December in the School Hall.**

Time: 10.00am to 3.00pm

How can you help:

- Set up on Saturday morning or afternoon, clear up on the Sunday afternoon, help on one of the many stalls, be an elf at Santa's grotto, help with arts and crafts, face painting, sell raffle tickets
- Put your name on the list in the Church porch if you can help with any of the above.
- Put this date in your diary and spread the word!

- We would like donations of toiletries, perfume and beauty products, unwanted gifts, good, new or nearly new bric-a-brac, good quality handbags, unused Christmas decorations, homemade jams and preserves, bottles (alcoholic or soft), jewellery, tombola prizes, gift 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 by the Baptismal Font.
- 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).

**Sunday Mass: Saturday 6 pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 9 am, 11 am, 1pm (Polish) & 6 pm**

**Weekday Mass: Monday - Friday 9.30am, Saturday 12 noon**

**Morning Prayer: Monday – Friday - 9.15am, Novena to Our Lady: Tuesdays: 10am**

**Exposition and Benediction: Saturdays: 11am**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) - Saturday 11am & 5pm**

## SATURDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

There will be no evening Confessions next Saturday.

### UCM

The UCM will meet on **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November** at 7.30pm. David Lawrie will give a talk on "The Market Gardens of the early years of Feltham". It promises to be interesting and any lady from the parish who may be interested will be very welcome.

### FLOWER ARRANGERS

On **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December** at 7pm in the Parish Centre, Janet Errington will be demonstrating "Flower arranging in Churches". Anyone wishing to attend would be most welcome.

### RECEPTION CLASS ADMISSIONS 2017

The dates and times that Fr John 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 the Certificate of Catholic Practice.

### PARISH MASS BOOKS – YEAR A VOLUME 1

The Parish Mass Book for Year A will commence next weekend, the First Sunday of Advent.

### MASS INTENTIONS

We will be taking Mass Intentions for next year from **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2016, from 10am-11am**. Each **family** 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.

## PILGRIMAGES 2017

### ST LAWRENCE PILGRIMAGE

Our 2017 pilgrimage will be to the Holy Land from the **11<sup>th</sup> May to the 18<sup>th</sup> May 2017**. It will be led by Fr Chris Vipers and the cost of the 8 day pilgrimage is £929. This price is guaranteed for all bookings received up until the **19<sup>th</sup> December 2016**. A full itinerary is available at the back of the church. There is also a list that you should enter your name on to reserve a seat if you are planning to go. Booking forms are available from the parish office.

### PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA

The Diocese of Westminster will be going on pilgrimage to Fatima from **24<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> April 2017** for the Centenary Year of the Apparitions, led by Cardinal Vincent Nichols. Price: £530 per person. Very limited single room availability. Insurance £26 per person. Please see poster on notice board. If interested please pick up a form from the Parish Office. The Pilgrimage Office in Westminster is taking bookings on a first come first serve basis.

### ADVENT CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP

**SUNDAY 27<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER - 2-30pm – 4.00pm PARISH CENTRE, 4.30pm IN CHURCH FOR A SHORT CHRISTINGLE SERVICE FOLLOWED BY TEA AND MINCE PIES 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.



## SACRAMENTS

### BAPTISMS

We extend a warm welcome to Ethan Cardoso-Kaminski, Janelle Etornam Afua Sogbey and Austyn Mensah Agyemang who were baptised this weekend and offer our warmest congratulations to their families.

### FIRST CONFESSIONS

First Confessions for our First Holy Communion will take place on **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December** from 9.30am-10.30am and 10.45am-11.45am. There will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament or Adult Confessions on these two days. Please keep our children in your prayers.

### OTHER

### FEAST OF ST FRANCIS XAVIER

The West London Goans Sports & Social Club will be celebrating the feast on **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November** at St Michael & Martin's Parish Centre from 1pm-7pm. Live Band and disco. Tickets include food. Please see notice board for flyer and more details.

### Thank you for your generosity in last week's

#### Collections:

12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup>: Envelopes £1,030.56 Loose £922.51

Standing Orders: £785.80 **Total: £2,738.87**

Sick and Retired Priests: £838.10

#### PARISH CENTRE UPDATE:

**Money banked as at 8/11/2016 – £91,979.67**

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 19 <sup>th</sup>	12.00 12.45  18.00	Ildinha & Bernardo Pereira RIP <i>Baptisms of Ethan Cardoso-Kaminski, Janelle Etornam Afua Sogbey and Austyn Mensah Agyemang</i> People of the Parish
Sun 20 <sup>th</sup>	09.00 11.00  13.00 18.00	Alec Papworth RIP (Anniversary) Deceased members & friends of the 11am Choir RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) Alfred & Aida Simoes RIP
Mon 21 <sup>st</sup>	09.30 13.00	Ray Palmer RIP <i>Baptism of Billy-Anthony Crowley</i>
Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup>	09.30	Fredrico Britto RIP
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup>	09.30	Harry Haldane RIP (First Anniversary)
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup>	09.30	Celebrants Intention
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup>	09.30	Lucy Aladics RIP
Sat 26 <sup>th</sup>	12.00 12.45  15.00 16.00  18.00	Allen McNeill RIP <i>Baptisms of Amari-Jade Claris Teresa Harris-Baptiste, Calista Asante, Leo Jaycob Balitaan and Mason Mayuran Thevalingam</i> Mass in Tagalog for the Filipino Community <i>Wedding of Katarzyna Zimna and Edgar Umryan</i> <b>NO CONFESSION</b> Manuel Abalada RIP
Sun 27 <sup>th</sup>	09.00  11.00  13.00 14.30 16.30 18.00	Baby Adam Jacob Tojo RIP (Third Anniversary)  Michael Omoniyodo (Birthday Thanksgiving) Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) Mass led by the African Community <i>Christingle Service</i> People of the Parish
Sanctuary Lamp: Patrick McGough RIP		