

# ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> November 2020

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year A, Volume 2: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17; Psalm 22; 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28;

Matthew 25:31-46

Readings Next Week Parish Mass Book Year B, Volume 1: First Sunday of Advent: Isaiah 63:16-17, 64:1,3-8; Psalm 79;

1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:33-37



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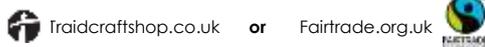
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## CHRIST THE KING – OUR HOPE

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Today, the Feast of Christ the King, is a reminder to all of us that Jesus' kingdom is centred around compassion, forgiveness and love. Jesus the shepherd king is our true hope, who will never abandon us.

The lockdown and restrictions have had an impact on the life of our parish. We long so much to be back in church with the support of our parish family. Even during these difficult times, behind the scenes, so much has been happening but in different ways. Our parish Sacramental programmes are very different this year:

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** There are over 110 children with their parents preparing for their First Holy Communion on Zoom each Saturday. Thanks to Folake and the team of catechists.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Sunday School is for children who are in Year 2 or above who are attending a non-Catholic school. We have 20 children who are receiving religious instructions by Zoom on Sundays accompanied by their parents. Thanks to Rose-Marie, Noni and the team of catechists.

**CONFIRMATION:** This week we begin Confirmation preparation by Zoom on Wednesdays accompanied by their parents. In this first group there are 30 young people. The second group will begin in January. Thanks to Fr. John Louis, Lloyd and the team of catechists.

**R.C.I.A.:** The programme for adults who wish to know more about the catholic faith is also on Zoom. Thanks to Fr. John Louis and Deacon Colin.

**BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS:** These are suspended during lockdown. We look forward to celebrating them again in the near future.

Thanks to Theresa for doing all the preparation and administration for the Zoom programmes.

**CARITAS WESTMINSTER** has offered food vouchers for anyone in need, please see the back page for the details.

**THE HUB:** St Lawrence's School together with the parish community are launching a new joint initiative called 'The Hub'. We aim to distribute food and other items for those in need – see details on the back page. You can also contact Fr. John on his mobile: 0787 905 8732.

The love we show in action, by our prayers, contacting the sick and housebound, delivering newsletters, distributing food and sharing our faith, is exactly what Jesus asks of us in today's Gospel. Jesus assures us in that every act of kindness done to one in need is done to Him and will be rewarded accordingly. Such love for others is love for Jesus "In so far as you did this to the least of these sisters and brothers of mine you did it to me".

This is a good Gospel to keep before our minds as we approach Advent and Christmas.

**FR. JOHN**

The Church is now closed for public Masses until at least December. However, the Church Porch will be open for individual prayer each day of the week:

**Mondays-Saturdays: 11.00am-11.30am**

**Sundays: 10.30am-11.30am**

Fr John and Fr John Louis will be celebrating Mass in private every day and the Mass Intentions will be prayed for. You can continue to offer a Mass Intention which will be said privately.

- **Face coverings are mandatory in Church and all those attending must wear a face covering which should be kept on during the whole service - mouth and nose covered.**
- If someone comes to church and is then tested positive for the virus, the church must be closed for 72 hours
- Confessions by appointment only with social distancing

#### UPDATE ON COVID RESTRICTIONS FROM BISHOP JOHN SHERRINGTON:

**Funerals:** Funerals can be attended by a maximum of 30 people, and it is advised that only close friends and family attend. Linked ceremonial events such as stone settings and ash scatterings can also continue with up to 15 people in attendance. Anyone working i.e. the priest, cantor, organist, pallbearers, stewards, etc. is not included in the 30.

**Weddings:** From Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November, no weddings can take place unless in exceptional circumstances.

**NHS COVID-19 Test and Trace App:** On 24<sup>th</sup> September the NHS launched its Covid-19 Test and Trace App. This app has been developed to assist the Government with its test and trace policy and uses a smartphone. The app works by using the 'Bluetooth' system, which all smartphones have. It registers any other phones within a certain distance, which also has the app installed. This takes place between the phones themselves and its entirely anonymous. Please try and use this if you can.

#### SACRAMENTS

##### SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION 2020/2021

If your child is in year 2 or above in September 2020 and is not attending a Catholic School please email [theresafernandes@aol.com](mailto:theresafernandes@aol.com) for a registration form. This year classes will be by zoom. We require your child to take part in classes for one year prior to being prepared to receive First Holy Communion. Further details will be on the application form.

##### RCIA COURSE 2020-21

If you or anyone you know is interested in learning more about the Catholic Church, either as an enquirer or a "returner", then the "RCIA" (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Course is for you!! It's an opportunity to ask all those questions you thought up, but never quite got round to asking!! There is no commitment at the early stage – you may have a taster and decide you want to continue, or perhaps come back later on. This year, as with other Sacramental Classes, the course will be delivered via Zoom, at a time to be agreed with the participants. For more information please contact me by email [johnntabor@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:johnntabor@rcdow.org.uk). Fr John Louis

#### REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the soul of **Ron Birch RIP** and **Pat Byrne RIP** and all those who have passed away recently.

The funeral service for **Pat Byrne** will take place at Hanworth Crematorium on **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020**.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine on them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

#### ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC SCHOOL - 'THE HUB'

As a school we have successfully launched 'The Hub' this week. This is a resource for our community to access support during these difficult times. We currently are able to offer food parcels including toiletries and cleaning products. If you require any of the above or know someone who does please contact us on [Thehub@st-lawrence.hounslow.sch.uk](mailto:Thehub@st-lawrence.hounslow.sch.uk). Your request will be handled confidentially and we will organise collection at a time which suits. You can also contact Fr John on his mobile 0787 905 8732.

#### NEED HELP OR EXPERIENCING DIFFICULTY?

Once again as we enter lockdown Caritas Westminster are able to offer some help with food vouchers. If you or anyone you know is experiencing financial difficulty at this time please contact Bridget Brinkley on 07805 299 941 or e-mail [mbridgetb@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:mbridgetb@yahoo.co.uk). I will help you complete a short application form so you can get the necessary help you need. Please text, WhatsApp or leave a voice mail and I will return any call I miss ASAP. Please continue to pray for each other at this difficult time for so many and please keep in contact with others, no one should be alone during this time. *Bridget* Please see Advent giving poster from Caritas on the website.

**SUNDAY 22ND NOVEMBER, THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING**, the Church in England and Wales celebrates National Youth Sunday. On this day follow @NationalYouthSunday and for more information, please go to [www.nationalyouthsunday.com](http://www.nationalyouthsunday.com). See the poster on the website.

#### SCHOOLS

**Reception Form signing** - Please phone Fr John on 0787 905 8732

#### BLESSING OF GRAVES

##### NOVEMBER LISTS

We will not be providing blank sheets this year. Please bring in a sheet, with the names of those you wish to be remembered and place them in the basket on the table in the porch.

#### THE GOD WHO SPEAKS – SUNDAY MEDITATION

##### Meditate

How do we reign with Christ? St John of the Cross, the Spanish mystic, gives an answer when he said "In the evening of life, we will be judged on love alone." That love expresses itself by the way we treated the weakest members of society: the hungry, the thirsty, the foreigner, the naked, the housebound, the imprisoned or those who are frail around. This is so because Jesus is present in them. We reign by serving the others.

##### Act

The gospel suggests some physical works of mercy. Perhaps pick up one and try to put it into practice.

Dear Friends

Our parishioner's response to our appeal to help with our parish funds by paying through standing order, cash or cheque has been tremendous – **THANK YOU!** For those who would like to take advantage of the standing order facility we have in place, our parish bank details are:

**HSBC Bank: WRC DT Feltham**

Sort code: **40-05-20** – Account No: **71095528**

**Thank you for your continued generosity.**

**FR. JOHN AND FR. JOHN LOUIS**

#### Bidding Prayers for the week:

**Brothers and sisters, as we celebrate the solemnity of Christ the King, we seek His guidance and draw closer to him in our lives. We pray too that young people will accept the invitation He offers to work more closely together:**

For the Pope. May he continue to be an advocate for young people and for the Church in Her time of growth.

For young people, especially those in our parish, in our schools and within our neighbourhoods. That they may be encouraged to recognise and develop the skills and talents they have and invite Christ into their homes, into their lives and into their hearts.

For ourselves. That we may be proud to be counted as a follower of Christ and willing to show an example to others.

For people who are sick and feel they are a burden, for all who are in hospital and residential care, for those suffering with Covid-19, and for all those who love and care for them.

For all the faithful departed: that they may find rest for their souls and be led rejoicing through the gates of paradise.

**Christ our King, we thank you for your power and love. Listen to our prayers and may you fill each one of us with joy and hope as we journey towards the joyful Incarnation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen**

#### MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 21	Ray Palmer RIP Davina Pereira in Birthday Thanksgiving
Sun 22	Graham Johnston RIP For the intentions of Lily Jones Deceased members of the 11am Choir Holy Souls
Mon 23	Harry Haldane RIP (Anniversary)
Tues 24	Rosa Joseph RIP
Wed 25	Kathleen Soares RIP
Thurs 26	William & Vera Chappells RIP (Anniversary)
Fri 27	Adam Jacob Tojo RIP (Anniversary)
Sat 28	Michael Omoniyodo & Matthias Williams in Birthday Thanksgiving For the intentions of the Crawley Family
Sun 29	Lourdino Soares RIP (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary) In Thanksgiving Tino Godinho Sebastian Joseph Koilparampil RIP For the intention of the Surenthiran Family
Sanctuary Lamp: Derrick Juriansz RIP	