

This week at St Lawrence's



5th/6th October 2013

Twenty Seventh Sunday of the Year
(Missal Page 146 – YEAR C)

Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4; Psalm 94 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14; Luke 17:5-10

Twenty Eighth Sunday of the Year (Missal Page 149); 2 Kings 5:14-17; Psalm 97; 2 Timothy 2:8-13

Luke 17:11-19



Dear Friends

“Lord, teach us to pray”



This request was made to Jesus by His first disciples, and in answer to their prayer He taught them the Our Father, Our Lord's own prayer to His Father and ours. It is a universal prayer, prayed throughout the world, the family prayer of all Christians. It is probably one of the first prayers we were ever taught, and once taught, never forgotten. It says it all.

This October we are focussing especially on prayer, on our own personal prayer life which springs from our relationship with our loving God, and on our prayer life as a community, gathering day by day and week by week in our own House of Prayer, our beautiful church. It has been said that true prayer is not about learning more prayers but learning to pray more – and it begins with the desire not to do more but to be more. This month can help us in three ways:

1. The Parish Day of Prayer next Saturday, 12th October (advertised over the page)
2. Our six week faith sharing groups on the theme of prayer, starting on Monday 13th October – why not join, host or even lead a group of your family, friends and neighbours?
3. October is the month of the Holy Rosary, an opportunity to discover or re-discover meditating on the Mysteries of the Lord's love.

With my love and prayers for each of you and a very Happy Birthday to Fr Fortunato this Sunday!

Fr Chris

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DAY OF PRAYER – SATURDAY 12th OCTOBER



10.30am-11.45am: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and
Sacrament of Reconciliation
12.00 noon: Holy Mass
12.30pm-2.30pm: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and
Sacrament of Reconciliation
2.30pm: Benediction



(There will be a Soup Lunch available in the Parish Centre, proceeds in aid of CAFOD)

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS

We extend a warm welcome to Aaron Jay Singh, Stanley Thomas Montague and Hayden James Hazlehurst who will be baptised this weekend and offer our warmest congratulations to their families.

BAPTISM REQUESTS

If you have recently completed a Baptism Request Form, Bridget Brinkley will be in touch shortly to arrange a time to meet with you. Please note we currently have a large number of requests for baptism and will be in touch with you as soon as possible.

PARISH NOTICES

UCM

The UCM will meet on **Monday 7th October** at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre for the term Mass for the Foundation. It is hoped that all members will be able to attend along with those friends who have been invited.

PARISH AUTUMN FAITH SHARING COURSE

The diocesan faith sharing resource this autumn will be on the theme of prayer over a six week period starting from **13 October to 23 November**. The sessions explore the nature of prayer through life using the 'seven ages of man' as a scaffold: 1. *The little ones*; 2. *Childhood*; 3. *Adolescence*; 4. *Maturing in our faith*; 5. *Full of Wisdom and 6. Close to the Father*.

We encourage parents, children, individuals or group to take part. There is a sign up sheet at the back of Church if you would like to join a group or head a group.

REST IN PEACE

JOSEPH SANDO RIP

We pray for the repose of the soul of Joseph Sando RIP who passed away recently. He was 93 and lived in Saxon Avenue. His funeral will take place on **Monday 7th October** at 1pm at Hanworth Crematorium. Please also keep in your prayers his family and all who mourn him.

ESTHER KUSI-APPIAH RIP

We pray for the repose of the soul of Esther Kusi-Appiah RIP who passed away recently. Please also remember in your prayers her mother Veronica Quainoo, her children, her sisters and all who mourn her. Her funeral will take place here on **Friday 11th October** at 11am. Her body will be received into the Church on **Thursday 10th October** at 6pm followed by Holy Mass.

JANET WALKER RIP

We pray for the repose of the soul of Janet Walker RIP who passed away recently. Please remember in your prayers her husband Ray. Funeral arrangements to be announced shortly.

THANK YOU

Fr Fortunato would like to thank everyone for the warm welcome and wonderful party last weekend. Thank you to all those who prepared the lovely food and to those who helped with setting up and clearing up and a special thanks to the Filipino choir, Father was moved to tears by the warmth and love of your message and your wonderful voices.

CONSECRATION OF THE WORLD TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

This Sunday, 13th October, Pope Francis is consecrating the whole world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The Holy Father has asked that the statue of Our Lady of Fatima be brought to Rome for this most significant occasion. The Consecration expresses our desire to share Mary's complete openness to God and neighbour. To be consecrated to Mary's Heart is to set out on a pilgrimage to her heart, so that with her we may love God more fully and our neighbour in ways that are real. Pope Francis reminds us that devotion to Mary is at the heart of our Catholic faith. He has expressed his own devotion in practical ways. For example, by praying before the image of the Blessed Virgin in St. Mary Major's Basilica on the morning after his election. His Holiness tell us: "This is how it is with Mary: if you want to know who she is, you ask theologians; if you want to know how to love her, you have to ask the people." As Pope Francis makes this new consecration of the whole world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, he will surely be praying especially for those people most in need in our world – for those longing for peace, for the poor and the marginalised, for the sick and bereaved, for those who feel alienated from God. To her Immaculate and Sorrowful Heart he will commend these and all of us. As the Holy Father makes this consecration, let us ask Mary to show us how we might more faithfully follow her Son, Jesus, and so love God and our neighbour wholeheartedly.

SCHOOLS

NEW DATES FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL TRANSFER FORM SIGNING

Fr Chris will be available to sign forms for Secondary School transfer at the following times:
October: Tuesday 8th, 15th, Monday 21st, Friday 25th – 3.30pm to 5.30pm
 Please come in with your child and wait in the Church.

PLEASE SEE NOTICE BOARD FOR INFORMATION ON OPEN DAYS AT GUNNERSBURY CATHOLIC SCHOOL FOR BOYS, GUMLEY HOUSE CONVENT AND ST PAUL'S COLLEGE.

OTHER

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY COLLECTION

It is a stark fact that one in eight of us will go to bed hungry tonight. CAFOD is asking you to make a place at your table to help our sisters and brothers in the world's poorest countries to get enough nutritious food to eat. The Collection will be taken up after all Masses this weekend.

STREET CHILD AFRICA

Next weekend there will be a display at the back of Church on the works of "Street Child Africa" and a talk given at the 11am Mass.

OCTOBER TORCHLIT PROCESSION - OUR LADY OF WILLEDEN.

Sunday 13th October 7pm. Come and join us at the Shrine as we celebrate Pope Francis' Act of Consecration of the World to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Preacher, Fr Kevin Jordan. The Shrine is located at the junction of Acton Lane and Nicoll Road NW109AX. Willesden Junction on the Bakerloo & Overground. Buses 18,187,206,220,226,228,260,266,487.

ICON PAINTING COURSE AT THE HOUSE OF PRAYER, EAST MOLESEY, SURREY

14 – 19 October. A unique opportunity to learn and explore this ancient form of Sacred art. All material provided. For more information please contact the House of Prayer at houseofprayer@hotmail.co.uk or ring us on 020 8941 2313

FORTY DAYS FOR LIFE

From September 25 through November 3, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. Please join us at the *HALF-WAY EVENT* on **Tuesday 15th October**, 7pm in the Parish Hall, St James' Church, 61 Popes Grove, Twickenham TW1 4JZ. For more information, see www.40daysforlife/twickenham

ST FRANCIS XAVIER FEAST

On **1st December 2013**, West London Goans will be celebrating the Feast of St Francis Xavier, the patron saint of Goa at St Lawrence's School Hall from 1pm - 7pm. Full details on notice board.

Mass intentions and other services this week:

Saturday 5th Feria	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
	11.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	11.45	Benediction	
	12.00	Rosemary Edwards in Thanksgiving	
	12.45	Baptisms of Aaron Jay Singh, Stanley Thomas Montague and Hayden James Hazlehurst	
+ First Mass of Sunday	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	18.00	Myra Hayes RIP (Anniversary)	
+ Sunday 6th 27 th Sunday of the Year	09.00	Maureen Ross RIP	
	11.00	Augustin Gomez RIP	
	13.00	Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)	
	18.00	People of the Parish	
Monday 7th Our Lady of the Rosary	09.15	Morning Prayer	
	09.30	Derrick Juriansz RIP	
Tuesday 8th Feria	09.15	Morning Prayer	
	09.30	Edwarda Peneyro RIP	
	10.00	Novena to Our Lady	
Wednesday 9th Blessed John Henry Newman	09.15	Morning Prayer	
	09.30	Mr & Mrs M Obu in Thanksgiving Wedding Anniversary	
Thursday 10th St Paulinus of York	09.15	Morning Prayer	
	09.30	Kenneth & Joan D'Souza (Intentions)	
	18.00	Reception and Mass – Esther Kusi-Appiah RIP	
Friday 11th Feria	09.15	Morning Prayer	
	09.30	Edlith Maple in Thanksgiving	
	11.00	FUNERAL MASS – Esther Kusi-Appiah RIP	
Saturday 12th St Wilfrid	10.30	DAY OF PRAYER 10.30am-2.30pm	
		Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	12.00	Timothy Hurley in Thanksgiving	
	12.30	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation	
		Benediction	
		Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	+ First Mass of Sunday	17.00	
		18.00	People of the Parish
+ Sunday 13th 28 th Sunday of the Year	09.00	Alfred Deacon RIP	
	11.00	Barbara May Light RIP	
	13.00	Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)	
	18.00	Raymond Beirne RIP (4th Anniversary)	

Sanctuary Lamp: Esther Kusi-Appiah RIP

Sunday Mass Times

Saturday 6 pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 9 am, 11 am & 6 pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) - Saturday 11am & 5pm

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

28th/29th Sept: Envelopes £1026.41, Loose £721.02, Standing Orders £420.00 Total: £2167.43

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