



St Lawrence Catholic Church

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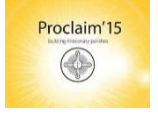


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29th Sunday of the Year

15th/16th October 2016

Readings: Page 152: Exodus 17:8-13; Psalm 120; 2 Timothy 3:14, 4:2; Luke 18:1-8

Next Week: 30th Sunday of the Year: (Missal Page: 155): Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14, 16-19; Psalm 33; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18, Luke 18:9-14

Dear Friends,

I have noticed that St. Lawrence's parish is a praying parish. It's wonderful to see so many people at the daily Masses and on Sundays. Jesus says today 'pray continually and never lose heart'. He is telling us to persevere in prayer. Jesus drives home the message by telling the parable of the widow and the unjust judge. All the odds were stacked against the widow, she had no help and the judge was both ruthless and unjust. Against all these odds the judge granted her request.

Jesus is telling us that, no matter how difficult it is to understand our faith, no matter how often we feel we have to ask God for help, we need to be secure in the knowledge that God is listening to us and that He loves us.

Jesus is asking us to persist in our prayer and not to give up. Sometimes it is much easier to give up than to keep on going. Anyone who is an athlete knows this. Anyone who has given up a habit that is not good, understands how difficult it is to persist when trying to be the best we can be.

God's love is there for each one of us and we can deepen our relationship with Him in prayer and good works, as long as we never give up on our faith.

FR. JOHN

PARISH NOTICES

TABLE TOP SALE

There will be a coffee morning and table top sale in the Parish Centre on **Sunday 23rd October** after the 9am and 11am Masses. Do come along, browse and grab a bargain whilst enjoying a lovely cup of tea or coffee. Proceeds to the Parish Centre Building Fund.

CAFOD

Thank you for your generous support last weekend. A total of £814.57 was raised plus the Gift Aid from those who had signed up.

BAZAAR PLANNING MEETING

There will be a meeting on Tuesday 1st November at 6pm (before the 7.30pm Mass) to plan the Bazaar. The meeting will take place in the Presbytery Prayer Room.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS

There will be a training morning for new Altar Servers on **Saturday 15th and 22nd October, starting at 10am** in Church. All children who have made their First Holy Communion this year are very welcome to join St Lawrence's serving team.

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

FLOWER ARRANGERS

There will be a House Mass for all Flower Arrangers on **Monday 17th October** at 6.30pm at 96 Hounslow Road. Your attendance would be most welcome.

FR CHRIS' FAREWELL MASS AND PARTY

Fr Chris' farewell Mass will take place on **Saturday 29th October** at 12.00noon followed by a party. We will be looking for two or three hymns in different languages. Food lists will be available at the back of Church in the next week. Please contact the Parish Office for information.

If you would like to contribute towards a leaving gift for Fr Chris, please hand in your envelope to Fr John, Bridget Brinkley or to the Parish Office. There will be a "Book of Memories" on the table in the porch for you to sign.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

The next Baptism Preparation course will take place on **Saturday 5th November** and **Saturday 19th November** at 3.30pm in the Parish Centre. If you have requested to have your first child baptised and have completed an application form with Bridget you are invited to attend this course.

If you live and worship in St Lawrence's parish and expecting a baby soon please contact Bridget by phone at the parish office or by email if you would like to join this course.

CONFIRMATION 2017

The Bishop has confirmed us that he will come to St Lawrence's on **Saturday 3rd June 2017** at 3pm for Confirmation. All Confirmation candidates and parents please make a note of this date in your diaries.

REST IN PEACE

SIDNEY BROWN RIP

We pray for the soul of Sidney Brown RIP who died recently. Please also keep in your prayers his family, friends and all those who mourn him. His funeral will take place at Hanworth Crematorium on **Monday 17th October at 9am**. All his friends and those who knew him are welcome to attend. There will be a wake at the Bell on the Green in Bedfont from 10am (opposite St Mary's Church, Bedfont).

A Memorial Requiem will be held here for Sid, date to be confirmed shortly.

MARY CATHERINE (MAUREEN) SEWELL RIP

We pray for the repose of Mary Catherine (Maureen) Sewell RIP who died recently. Her funeral will take place here on **Wednesday 19th October at 10.30am**. Please also keep in your prayers all family and friends who mourn her.

Please note this will be the only Mass in Church that day.

OTHER

HOUNSLOW FOSTERING TEAM

The Hounslow Fostering Team will be visiting St. Lawrence's Church on **Sunday 16th October** to speak to prospective carers about fostering. If you are interested and would like more information on fostering or how to apply to become a foster carer please do come along to our coffee morning on Sunday 16th October in the Parish Centre after the 9am and 11am Masses or contact Bridget for more information.

CHURCHES TOGETHER

The Annual General Meeting for Churches Together takes place on **Tuesday 18th October at 7.30pm** in the Parish Centre. If you are able to attend please do so to support our local Churches.

CHISWICK BAROQUE presents MUSIC and SILENCE on **Thursday 20 October** at 8.00 pm in the Church of St Vincent de Paul, 2 Witham Road, Osterley, TW7 4AJ. Contemplative music for four unaccompanied voices including works by Hildegard, Tallis, Tchaikovsky, Handel, Ford and Harper together with traditional pieces and spirituals. Refreshments in the hall afterwards. See poster on notice board.

LIFE PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE

The LIFE Centre in Hounslow are holding a mini fair on **Saturday 15th October** from 11am-2pm at 20 Vicarage Farm Road, Hounslow. Books, toys, bric-a-brac, toys, etc will be on sale. Do come along, have a browse and grab a bargain. All proceeds to the LIFE Centre. If you are able to help on the day please call Annie Burke on 0203 802 4711. See poster on notice board.

THANK YOU

Heartfelt thanks are expressed to all those who sponsored Mary Crawley in the LIFE Ten Bridges Walk which raised £600 for the Hounslow LIFE Pregnancy Care Centre. A Mass will be offered on the Missions for your intentions.

REMEMBERING YOUR PARISH IN YOUR LAST WILL

The Diocese have produced a leaflet, copies at the back of Church, asking parishioners to consider remembering the parish in your last will. Please take a copy.

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

8th/9th: Envelopes £1,106.30 Loose £880.12
Standing Orders: £538.00 **Total: £2,524.42**

PARISH CENTRE UPDATE:

Money banked as at 11/10/2016 - £89,418.56

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 15 th	12.00 13.30 18.00	Raymond Beirne RIP (Anniversary) <i>Wedding of Rosario Dias and Vilette Fernandes</i> Isaura & Henry Britto RIP
Sun 16 th	09.00 11.00 13.00 18.00	Roberto Ordonia RIP (Anniversary) Barbara May Light RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) People of the Parish
Mon 17 th	09.30	Avelina Edwards in Thanksgiving 80 th Birthday
Tues 18 th	09.30	Francis Alex Soares RIP
Wed 19 th	10.30	FUNERAL MASS – MARY CATHERINE (MAUREEN) SEWELL RIP
Thurs 20 th	09.30	Nicholas Torres Pongos RIP
Fri 21 st	09.30	Dermot Doran RIP (Anniversary)
Sat 22 nd	12.00 18.00	Patrick McGough RIP People of the Parish
Sun 23 rd	09.00 11.00 13.00 18.00	Alfred Deacon RIP Gabriel & Helen Chukwuji RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) Sr Deanna Donoghue RIP
Sanctuary Lamp: Ramona Ugowe (Birthday Intention)		

October is the month of the Rosary

