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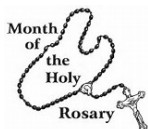
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TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

20th/21st OCTOBER 2018

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year B, Volume 2: Page 146: Isaiah 53:10-11; Psalm 32; Hebrews 4:14-16; Mark 10:35-45
Next Week: Thirtieth Sunday of the Year: Page 149: Jeremiah 31:7-9; Psalm 125; Hebrews 5:1-6; Mark 10:46-52



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Dear Friends

Be careful what you wish for, you might get it!! This is of course a well known bit of advice and I understand that many cultures and languages around the world have a version of it.

In today's Gospel, James and John are almost falling over each other to ask a favour of Jesus. As is so often the case James and John had a human vision of Jesus where political power would be inferred upon them when Jesus became "King" They had no idea that Jesus' kingdom would not be an earthly kingdom but a spiritual kingdom in heaven.

Without a doubt James and John were ambitious and when Jesus asked them to drink his cup and share in his baptism they eagerly said yes, not realising that in doing so they were committing to serve and that the earthly power that they had in mind would never be theirs.

James and John didn't have the faith to see that their journey of life, with the personal suffering that this would undoubtedly bring them, would be true discipleship. To be a follower of Jesus is to love and to serve. I cannot pretend that this is an easy path to follow. Often life can be difficult and challenging, I am certain that all of you reading this will have suffered bereavement and that many of you will have suffered redundancy or unemployment, or not done as well at school as you might have hoped.

It is too easy to replace love with power, to exercise power is much easier than to exercise love, but Jesus didn't come down from heaven to wield power over us, he came from heaven to love us. And in loving us he served us. Jesus teaches us to build a community that liberates people from competition and power.

We are all challenged to lead a Christian life. However, that Christian life also means Christian leadership. Loving service should be the main characteristic of our Christian leadership. Love is made visible in service and in service we grow in love, and in love we grow in faith.

I finish by quoting paragraph 26 from LUMEN FIDEI, the first Papal Encyclical written by Pope Francis in 2013

This being the case, can Christian faith provide a service to the common good with regard to the right way of understanding truth? To answer this question, we need to reflect on the kind of knowledge involved in faith. Here a saying of Saint Paul can help us: "One believes with the heart" (Rom 10:10). In the Bible, the heart is the core of the human person, where all his or her different dimensions intersect: body and spirit, interiority and openness to the world and to others, intellect, will and affectivity. If the heart is capable of holding all these dimensions together, it is because it is where we become open to truth and love, where we let them touch us and deeply transform us. Faith transforms the whole person precisely to the extent that he or she becomes open to love. Through this blending of faith and love we come to see the kind of knowledge which faith entails, its power to convince and its ability to illumine our steps. Faith knows because it is tied to love, because love itself brings enlightenment. Faith's understanding is born when we receive the immense love of God which transforms us inwardly and enables us to see reality with new eyes.

Have a blessed week,

Deacon Colin

Protecting your Privacy:

In compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) which became effective in May this year the Parish requires your permission to hold your data for Parish/Diocesan use. You can read our full privacy policy on www.rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy.

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SACRAMENTS

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The next meeting is on **Wednesday, 24th October** at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. This course is designed to help you explore the Catholic faith and to become a member of the Church if you wish.

CONFIRMATION 2019

Enrolment for Confirmation will take place after the half term break. Details to follow.

PARISH NOTICES

UKRAINIAN COMMUNITY

The Ukrainian priest is away therefore the Mass scheduled for this Sunday has been postponed to **Sunday 21st October** at 3pm.

UCM

The UCM will meet on **Monday 22nd October** at 7.30pm. A talk will be given by Sister Nora which we know will be very interesting and meaningful. Do come along for an enjoyable evening.

CONNECT@FELTHAM

Connect@Feltham provides a safe place for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities who would like to take part in Art, Music and Dance activities as well as learning basic cooking skills. The next session is on **23rd October**.

ZIMBABWEAN ORPHANS COFFEE MORNING

This will take place this **Sunday 21st October** after the 9am and 11am Masses in the Parish Centre.

DAY OF REFLECTION FOR READERS

A day of reflection has been planned for all Readers for **Saturday 10th November** starting with Mass at 12noon then proceeding to the Parish Centre for talks, reflection and back to Church for practice in reading and projection of voice ending at 4.30pm. You are welcome to attend the Eucharistic Adoration at 11.00am which finishes with Benediction at 11.30am. There will also be an opportunity for Confession. Please bring a plate of finger food to share. Teas/coffees and soft drinks will be available.

PARKING AROUND THE CHURCH AND SCHOOL

For the health and safety of everyone at St Lawrence's, bearing in mind our duty of care for one another, and to ensure access for emergency vehicles to the Church, School, Presbytery and Parish Centre at all times, please take care where and how you park. Parking around the Church is very limited at weekends and weekdays. Parking is not permitted along the tree fencing or by the entrance to the Church or on The Green. Double parking is not permitted. The Church ground is not to be used as a parking area during the school run. Please seek alternative parking.

MASSES IN CHURCH

The Masses are fully booked for the rest of this year for intentions in Church. Mass Intentions are still being taken to be sent off to the Missions. One will be able to book Mass Intentions for 2019 in later this year.

CHURCH NOTICE BOARDS

If you would like to place a notice on the Notice Board please hand your poster or information to the Parish Office. Also, there are some parishioners, adults or children, who seem to take great pleasure in rearranging the notice board, removing the drawing pins from posters and tearing off posters. Please stop doing this. If you would like to take responsibility for the notice board then come and see Florie in the parish office.

STOREHOUSE FOOD BANK

Thank you for your generosity with items for the foodbank. However, please check the dates on your products before bringing them in as many are out of date (some even 2 years out of date) and have to be thrown away.

ARE YOU GOING TO HOSPITAL?

If you know you are going to be admitted in to Hospital, Please contact your parish priest/parish office for the sacrament of the sick either at home, in the church or any other convenient place. Or if you find you are already in hospital, the nurses may not ask you your religious needs, please request to see a chaplain and inform him/her that you are a Roman Catholic and would like to see a Catholic chaplain.

CHURCH CLEANING

The Church cleaning will take place on Wednesdays from now.

VISITING THE SICK

If anyone in the parish knows of somebody who is unwell or housebound and would like a visit from a priest or Eucharistic Minister, please speak to Fr John or Fr Peter or call the Parish Office.

SECONDARY SCHOOL OPEN DAYS

Please see flyers on the notice board for Open Day information at local schools for Sixth Form entry in 2019.

Gunnersbury Catholic School is holding an **Open Evening**, for pupils currently in Year 11 and looking to join our Sixth Form in September 2019. This, will take place on **Tuesday, 30 October 2018** (5.30-7.30pm). We ask that prospective Sixth Form students are accompanied to the Open Evening by their parent/carer.

ST ANSELMS SCHOOL, SOUTHALL

St Anselm's Catholic Primary School currently have vacancies for both teaching and support staff. Please visit the school website for further details and an application form. These can be found on the school's website on www.stanselmscatholicprimaryschool.co.uk/staff-vacancies

REST IN PEACE

GABRIEL D'SOUZA RIP

We pray for the repose of the soul of Gabriel D'Souza RIP who died recently. Please remember in your prayers his wife Mary and children Anthony, Arthur, Trudie and Tessa and all the family that mourn him. His funeral will take place here on **Wednesday 31st October** at 11.00am.

MASS INTENTIONS

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| Sat 20 th | 11.00 | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament |
| | 11.00 | Sacrament of Reconciliation |
| | 12.00 | Philo and Theresa Pereira RIP |
| | 17.00 | Sacrament of Reconciliation |
| | 18.00 | Valerie Gill RIP |
| | 19.00 | Retreat by Dr Jayanand |
| Sun 21 st | 09.00 | Dermot Doran RIP |
| | 11.00 | People of the Parish |
| | 13.00 | Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) |
| | 15.00 | Mass in Ukrainian |
| | 18.00 | Carafino Braganca RIP |
| Mon 22 nd | 09.30 | Julia Hutchison in Thanksgiving |
| Tues 23 rd | 09.30 | Sr Mary Dominic Dickinson RIP |
| Wed 24 th | 09.30 | Christopher Dias RIP (Third month) |
| Thurs 25 th | 09.30 | Fred Narsi RIP |
| Fri 26 th | 09.30 | Daniel Fogarty RIP |
| Sat 27 th | 11.00 | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament |
| | 11.00 | Sacrament of Reconciliation |
| | 12.00 | Jaysel & Ansley Martins – Good Health |
| | 12.45 | Baptisms of Bella Doos, Leone Kuwala Floyd |
| | 15.00 | Mutale, Joshua Akinyera and Anne Marie Akinyera |
| | 17.00 | Mass in Tagalog for the Filipino Community |
| | 18.00 | Sacrament of Reconciliation People of the Parish |
| Sun 28 th | 09.00 | Alfred Deacon RIP |
| | 11.00 | Feyi Badejo in Birthday Thanksgiving |
| | 13.00 | Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) |
| | 14.30 | Mass led by the African Community |
| | 18.00 | Chukwunonso Uzodnma – Get Well |
| Sanctuary Lamp: Terry Ottley (Intention) | | |

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 & 5pm

Thank you for your generosity in last week's collection:
13-14 October: Envelopes £766.82; Loose: £1,110.21;
Standing Orders: £667.00 **Total: £2,544.03**
Parish Centre Fund: September £1,450.04



Reminder -The clocks go back by one hour next weekend (27/28 October)