

This week at St Lawrence's



21st/22nd January 2012

Third Sunday of the Year
(Missal Page 129)
Eucharistic Prayer III (Page 28)

Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Psalm 24; 1 Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20
Fourth Sunday of the Year (Missal Page 132); Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Psalm 94;
1 Corinthians 7:32-35; Mark 1:21-28

Dear Friends

This weekend falls in the week of Prayer for Christian Unity. It started last Wednesday, 18th, and closes next Wednesday, 25th, the feast of the Conversion of St Paul. But, of course, our prayer for the unity of the Christian family doesn't end there. In the Garden of Gethsemene, after the last supper, St John tells us that Jesus prayed "that they may all be one, so that the world might believe".

Our divided Christian family isn't just damaging to the proclamation of the Gospel and to our witness in the world, its enough to break the father's heart! None of us quite know how a re-united Christian family would look – that's for God to decide. But what we do know is that we should desire it, pray for it, be open to it, and do all we can to work towards it in our joint witness to the society in which we live.

Locally, we are part of Churches Together in Feltham, Hanworth and Bedfont, and on Monday 23rd January at 7.30pm in our Parish Centre we are hosting our annual Service for Unity and planning meeting of the coming year. You are most welcome to join us for this evening of gentle prayer and fellowship, taking a few steps closer to the unity for which Jesus prayed.

With love and prayers for you.

Fr Chris

Sunday Mass Times

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

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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

We extend a warm welcome to Oscar Nikolli, Hannah Russell and Erin Mary Campbell as they are baptised this weekend and offer our congratulations to their families.

CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS

If you missed out on the Sacrament of Confirmation when you were younger and would like to explore the possibility of getting Confirmed now, please have a word with Bridget Brinkley either after Mass, by phone to the parish office or by email bridgetbrinkley@rcdow.org.uk.

A six week preparation course will start on Tuesday 21st February at 7.30pm.

MARRIAGE THANKSGIVING

In the lead up to St Valentine's Day we invite all married couples to come and renew their marriage vows at a very special Mass at 12 noon on Saturday 11th February.

PARISH SUPPORT

COULD YOU HELP BRING SOMEONE TO MASS?

The Knights of St Columba are planning to co-ordinate a rota of drivers to bring some of our housebound or less able parishioners to Mass on Saturday evening or Sunday morning on a regular or occasional basis, starting in a few weeks. Volunteers will be doing this service on behalf of the Church and they will need to complete a simple CRB form via our Parish Safeguarding Officer. If you would be willing and able to volunteer please give your details in at the parish office including your name, contact details and your preferred Mass.

REST IN PEACE

MARGARET GREEN RIP

We pray for the soul of Margaret Green RIP who died recently. Her funeral will take place on Monday 23rd January at 11am. Please keep in your prayers her husband Eric and all the family and friends who mourn her.

MARCUS THOMPSON RIP

We pray for the soul of Marcus Thompson who died recently. His funeral will take place on Tuesday 31st January at 11am. He is the son of the late Marcus Thompson RIP who was, for many years, an altar server here. Please keep in your prayers all the family and friends who mourn him.

PARISH NEWS

ST LAWRENCE'S PRAYER GROUP

The Prayer Group meet on Thursdays in the Presbytery at 7.30pm

MISSION MEETING – HOSPITALITY

There will be a meeting on Wednesday, 25th January at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre to discuss Hospitality for the Mission. Any queries or suggestions to Mary Crawley.

PLANNED GIVING DRIVE

Next weekend there will be a talk at all Masses on Planned Giving.

RACE NIGHT

The Social Club will be holding a Race Night on Saturday 28th January at 7pm in the School Hall. It will be a Family event with a Ploughman's Supper. Tickets on sale after all Masses at the weekend (Adults: £2.00; Children under 11: £1.00).

CONFIRMATION CATECHISTS MEETING

There will be a meeting with Fr Chris on Thursday, 2nd February at 7.30pm in the Presbytery to discuss the Confirmation programme.

ALTAR SERVERS ALBS

We are urgently seeking volunteers to help on a regular basis with cleaning of Altar Servers Albs, which are in a sorry state at the moment. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.

APF/MISSIO RED BOXES

If your boxes have not been collected please could you hand them in to the Parish Office as soon as possible.

PARISH CENSUS

Thank you to all those who filled in the Census Forms last weekend and in October last year. If any of you who are regular or long standing parishioners and have not yet filled in a form please do so as soon as possible. If you had filled in a form in October you do not have to complete another one now.

2012 MAGAZINE

Appealing for any budding reporters in the parish and anyone who would like to help produce a Parish Magazine for 2012 which will be produced at the end of the year. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested.

OTHER

EDUCATION SUNDAY

On 5th February at the 11am Mass we will be highlighting/celebrating the role of education in schools and invite all children and young people to come to that Mass in their school uniform.

MASS FOR THE AFRICAN COMMUNITY

Fr Richard Offong, for the Nigerian Chaplaincy for London, will be celebrating a Special Mass here for the African community this Sunday, 22nd at 2pm.

PILGRIMAGES

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Dates: July 22nd to 28th – We will be taking a group to join the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes and there will be an information meeting in the Parish Centre on Sunday 29th January at 10.15am. We would also like to take some of our young members 16+ as Redcaps.

YOUNG ADULTS IN THE WEST

Bishop Alan Hopes invites all young adults ages 16-35 to join him here on Sunday 12th February for Mass at 6pm followed by food, faith sharing and a chance to put him in the hot-seat. This will be a great opportunity to look back on World Youth Day in Madrid last summer and look forward to Brazil 2013. For more information or to offer help contact Fr Chris or the parish office.

Mass intentions and other services this week:

Saturday 21st St Agnes	11.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	11.45	Benediction
	12.00	George McGuinness RIP
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
+ First Mass of Sunday	18.00	Ray Palmer RIP
+ Sunday 22nd 3rd Sunday of the Year	09.00	People of the Parish
	11.00	Anna Rygula RIP
	12.45	Baptisms of Oscar Nikolli, Hannah Russell and Erin Mary Campbell
	14.00	Mass for the African Community
	18.00	Thanksgiving to Infant Jesus
Monday 23rd Feria	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	Mary Boyle RIP
	11.00	Funeral Mass – Margaret Green RIP
Tuesday 24th St Francis de Sales	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	Eleanor Mendoza RIP (1st A)
	10.00	Novena to Our Lady
Wednesday 25th Conversion of St Paul	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	Helen Abiegbe Kosin INT
Thursday 26th SS Timothy & Titus	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	Benedicto Masulit (Thanksgiving 60th birthday)
Friday 27th Feria	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	Michael Hurley RIP (3rd A)
Saturday 28th St Thomas Aquinas	11.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	11.45	Benediction
	12.00	For the intention of the Choir (Boyle Family)
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
+ First Mass of Sunday	18.00	Conceicao de Jesus Gonçaves RIP
+ Sunday 29th 4th Sunday of the Year	09.00	Charles Petrie RIP
	11.00	People of the Parish
	12.45	Baptisms of Lillie-Mai Isabelle Dempster, Oswald Joseph Ballares, Lucas Matias Sousa Da Silva and Turlough Todd
	18.00	Philomena Booker RIP

Sanctuary Lamp: For Christian Unity and World Peace

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