

# This week at St Lawrence's



29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> October 2011

31<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the Year (A)

*Malachi 1:14; 2:2,8-10; Psalm 130; 1 Thessalonians 2:7-9,13; Matthew 23:1-12  
32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday: Wisdom 6:12-16; Psalm 62; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13*

Dear Friends,

Oh dear, I do seem to have been away a lot recently: first, our beautiful parish pilgrimage to Poland, then a very belated summer holiday, and just last week my annual retreat (on orders of the Archbishop!). Now I'm back but reflecting on a challenging and inspiring five days of retreat in Ars, the shrine of St John Vianney, patron saint of parish priests.

The Cure d'Ars was a simple, humble priest who spoke simply and humbly of the love and mercy of God. His simple holiness spoke to people before he even opened his mouth.

No wonder so many thousands were – and are – drawn to him and through him to the merciful heart of God. He was only a signpost, and so are you, and so am I. Ask this weekend, as we start to reflect on our mission in our parish next year, that the simple holiness of yours and my life will point others to Him who is all-lovely, all-beautiful and all-Holy.

God Bless 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

### BAPTISMS

We extend a warm welcome to Jude Leonard Fernandes, Neil Jhon Alexander Chiva and Maximilian Darragh as they are baptised this weekend and offer our congratulations to their families.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Parents meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> November at 2.30pm or 6.30pm (new time)

Children meet 2 and 3 November 3.30pm

### WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS

Our warmest congratulations to Frank and Sheila Macken who celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary this weekend.

## PARISH GROUPS

### ST LAWRENCE'S PRAYER GROUP

The Weekly Prayer Group meets every Thursday, 7.30-9.00pm in the Presbytery.

### ST LAWRENCE YOUTH CLUB (SLYC)

The Youth Club (ages 14-30) meets every Friday in the Parish Centre, 6.30-8.30pm.

### MASS LED BY OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

On Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November, National Youth Sunday and the Feast of Christ the King, our young people will be leading the 6pm Mass. There will be a special planning meeting for this in the Parish Centre at 6pm on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November. We are looking for musicians, singers, readers and technical whizz-kids!

### UCM

The UCM will be holding their AGM on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October. Members, please make every effort to come. A fun quiz will follow the voting for a new committee.

### CAFOD COFFEE MORNING

Please note that there will be no First Friday Coffee Morning on 4<sup>th</sup> November.

## OTHER

### ST. MARK'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Sixth Form Open Evening on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2011 at 6:30pm.

### SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS NEED YOUR HELP

The annual parish collection for the sick and retired priests' Fund takes place next weekend and it is more important than ever that everyone gives as much as they can afford. This is because there are now almost 100 retired priests in the diocese, many of whom need a lot of support in their old age. Please take a donation envelope and bring it back next weekend with your contribution. If you pay tax, you can add 25p to every £1 that you give – at no extra cost to you – by completing the Gift Aid Declaration on the back of the envelope. (you can also make a donation online at [www.rcdow.org.uk/donations](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/donations)).

## NOVEMBER – THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

### FEAST OF ALL SAINTS AND COMMEMORATION OF ALL SOULS

Masses on All Saints Day (Tuesday 1 November) and All Souls Day (Wednesday 2 November) will be celebrated at 09.30am, 12.15pm and 7.30pm.

#### NOVEMBER LISTS

Sheets are available in the porch today for you to take away and write down the names of loved ones who have died, and for those whose repose you would like us to pray during the month of November. Completed lists can be dropped into the Presbytery letterbox – they will be included in our Book of Remembrance.

#### BLESSING OF GRAVES

Next Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> November, Fr Chris will be available to pray over and bless the graves of parishioners buried in local cemeteries. The timings will be as follows:

Hatton Cemetery	12.45pm
Bedfont Cemetery	1.15pm
Feltham Cemetery	2.00pm
Borough Cemetery	3.00pm
Hounslow Cemetery	3.30pm

To give Fr Chris an idea how many parishioners to expect, it would be helpful if you could fill in a purple sheet available at the back of Church and post it into the Presbytery.

#### SPECIAL MASS FOR THE RECENTLY BEREAVED

On Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm we shall be celebrating a special Mass to pray for the peaceful repose of parishioners, who have died over the past year and to pray for the comforting of their families. Please come along to offer the support of your prayers to those who are grieving.

#### CEMETERY MASS

Fr Tony Convery from SS Michael and Martin's parish will be celebrating Mass at Hounslow Cemetery at 10am on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November. Anyone interested in attending are most welcome.

### REST IN PEACE

#### MARY BOYLE RIP

We pray for the soul of Mary Boyle RIP who died recently. Her funeral will take place on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November at 9.30am. Mary will be received into the Church on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 7.30pm. Please keep in your prayers her husband Peter and all the family who mourn her.

#### QUENTIN GELDER RIP

Deepest sympathy and prayers to Karen Gelder on the death of her husband Quentin.

Eternal rest grant unto Mary Boyle and Quentin Gelder O Lord, let perpetual light shine upon them, may their souls rest in peace. Amen.

### Mass intentions and other services this week:

<b>Saturday 29<sup>th</sup></b> Blessed Martyrs of Douai College  +First Mass of Sunday	11.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	11.45	Benediction
	12.00	<b>Manuel Gonçalves RIP</b>
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
18.00	<b>Deceased Members of the Ordoña Family</b>	
<b>+ Sunday 30<sup>th</sup></b> 31 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of the Year	09.00	<b>People of the Parish</b>
	11.00	<b>Sheila &amp; Frank Macken (in Thanksgiving 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)</b>
	16.00	Baptisms Jude Leonard Fernandes, Neil Jhon Alexander Chiva and Maximilian Darrah
18.00	<b>Aubrey &amp; Irene Hamlin RIP</b>	
<b>Monday 31<sup>st</sup></b> Feria	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	<b>Feyi Badejo INT</b>
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup></b> All Saints	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	<b>Laurie Harvey RIP (A)</b>
	10.00	Novena to Our Lady
	12.15	<b>Patrick Galligan RIP</b>
19.30	<b>Alice Danladi (in Thanksgiving)</b>	
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup></b> All Souls	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	<b>Holy Souls</b>
	12.15	<b>Holy Souls</b>
	19.30	<b>Holy Souls</b>
<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup></b> St Winefreda	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	<b>Deceased Members of the Wijeykumar Family</b>
<b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup></b> St Charles Borromeo	09.30	No Morning Prayer
	09.30	<b>FUNERAL MASS – Mary Boyle RIP</b>
<b>Saturday 5<sup>th</sup></b> Feria  +First Mass of Sunday	11.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	11.45	Benediction
	12.00	<b>Maria Santana Fernandes RIP (A)</b>
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
18.00	<b>People of the Parish</b>	
<b>+ Sunday 6<sup>th</sup></b> 32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Year	09.00	<b>Winifred &amp; Francis Freeman RIP</b>
	11.00	<b>Augustine Field RIP (A)</b>
	18.00	<b>Agnetta Wilson (in Thanksgiving)</b>

**Sanctuary Lamp:** Danladi Family Intention

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

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