

This week at St Lawrence's



20th/21st September 2014

25th Sunday of the Year
(Missal Page 131 – YEAR A Vol. 2)



Isaiah 55:6-9; Psalm 144; Philippians 1:20-24, 27; Matthew 20:1-16

26th Sunday of the Year (Missal Page 134); Ezekiel 18:25-28; Psalm 24; Philippians 2:1-11
Matthew 21:28-32

Dear Friends

This time last weekend a group of us from the parish were returning from a beautiful and prayerful pilgrimage in Santiago de Compostela in Spain and Fatima in Portugal. You were prayed for, all of you. While there I came across this beautiful Pilgrim's Prayer, and I want to share it with you. It reminds us that we are each of us pilgrims in this life and that each day is another step in our pilgrimage with the Lord of our journey:

Dear Lord – as I start my journey today:

Open my eyes to your Face in others,
keep them open in your glorious Creation.

Open my ears to your Word;
keep them open so that I may hear what You say,

Open my mind to every encounter;
keep it open to what You are teaching me.

Open my heart to your Love,
keep it open to love others.

Give me the courage to see myself as You see me,
and to tell You the story of my life that I
have never been able to tell anyone before.

As I follow the footsteps and sign posts of my pilgrimage,
illuminate more clearly the path away from sin,
to union with You.

Allow me a glimmer of Paradise through order,
peace, contemplation and love.

Bestow the wisdom for me to relegate Self,
and the generosity to promote Others;
my desire is "Thy will", and not "my will".

My daily burden and pain I endure for You;
my joy I willingly give to You.

Grant that I reach my destination this day;
grant safe arrival every day.

Grant full revelation of the Mystery as I reach my destination
at the end of my life pilgrimage.

In Your great kindness grant all this to my fellow pilgrims.
In Your great mercy hear my prayer.

God bless you every step of the way.

Fr Chris

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS

We extend a warm welcome to Jaime Christopher Stokes who will be baptised later in the week and offer our warmest congratulations to his family.

"WALK WITH JESUS" MONDAY GROUP

The "Walk with Jesus" programme for the Monday group will start on **Monday 22nd September** from 4.30pm-6.00pm in the Parish Centre. Those who have enrolled will have received a welcome letter with dates for the programme.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Our 11am Mass on **Sunday 28th September** will be led by the Children. If your child would like to read at this Mass please contact Bridget on 020 8890 2367, if necessary please leave a message and Bridget will contact you regarding a reading rehearsal

CONFIRMATION 2015

Thanks to those who have enrolled on the Confirmation programme. Parents of candidates preparing for Confirmation will have the opportunity to take part in a 5 week course which will run parallel with Confirmation programme.

EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH

Would you like to find out more about the Catholic Faith? Have you been searching for a deeper meaning for your life? Do you share your life with a Catholic, perhaps you are supporting your husband or wife bringing up your children in the Catholic Faith. The first session will be on **Monday 29th September at 7.00pm.**

If you would like to find out more about the Catholic Church or you thinking about becoming a Catholic please contact Bridget Brinkley on 020 8890 2367 or by e-mailing at bridgetbrinkley@rcdow.org.uk.

PARISH NOTICES

HELP WANTED

We are looking to recruit a volunteer gardener/groundsman for the Church. If you have any time to spare please contact the Parish Office for details.

STORAGE NEEDED

Do you have any spare garage/shed space for items needing to be stored from the old Parish Centre? We have an immediate need to store 6 collapsible garden tables and 25 garden chairs. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.

UCM

The UCM will meet on **Monday 22nd September**. Fr Chris will say Mass. This will be followed with a Farewell Party as this will be our last UCM Mass in the Centre. Members are asked to bring a plate of party fare. Finger food **only** please.

RACE NIGHT

On **Saturday 4th October** from 7.00 pm adults £3 and children under 11 £2. Ploughman's supper included, bring your own alcohol. Tickets available from the repository.

CALLING ALL GOLFERS

Would you like to be part of a team playing in aid of a local Catholic charity? If so, please have a word with Fr Chris or drop your details into the Parish Office.

ST LAWRENCE'S SCHOOL GOVERNORS

The Governing Body are looking to recruit someone with legal experience (ideally someone who currently does not have a child in St Lawrence's School). Please see Fr Chris for more details.

HOLY COMMUNION

Any parishioner who has a gluten intolerance and would like to receive Holy Communion please speak to either Fr Chris or Fr Fortunato before Mass and gluten free hosts will be kept aside for you.

CONCERT AT ST LAWRENCE'S

A concert titled "The Joy of the Lord" featuring Jo Boyce and friends will take place in Church on **Saturday 11th October** at 7.30pm.

An evening of uplifting, faith-filled, contemporary, lively music that will inspire each of us anew with the joy of the Lord. Tickets available from the Parish Office – Price £6.00 (on the door £7.00).

Jo Boyce wrote the music for "Born for This" our Feltham Passion Play last year.

The musicians and crew will be requiring accommodation on the Saturday night and if anyone can spare a room please contact the Parish Office. There are 7 people requiring a room, some willing to share.



ST LAWRENCE'S PRAYER GROUP

The Prayer Group meets every **Thursday from 7.30pm to 9pm** in the Presbytery. A time of prayer and thanksgiving. Reflecting on scriptures. Intercessory prayers for the parish and wider community. New members welcome, come and see.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE REUNION

There will be a reunion on **Saturday 27th September** after the 6pm Mass in the Parish Centre for all those who went on the Lourdes pilgrimage by coach.

SATURDAY 12 noon MASS READERS

If you would like to read at the 12 noon Mass on Saturdays please contact the Parish Office.

PARISH AUTUMN FAITH SHARING COURSE

The diocesan faith sharing resource this autumn will be on *Jesus, My Lord*, a six week period starting from **12 October to 23 November**. Echoing the message of Christ to the Apostles to go and make disciples, baptising them in the name of the Father, Aon and Holy Spirit, Pope Francis often speaks of missionary disciples. The sessions will look at discipleship in terms of our personal vocation at the service of the Kingdom and the gifts we have for the service of the Gospel.

Sr. Katherine will be in touch with Group leaders shortly. Group leaders please contact your group members. New members and new leaders are asked to use the sign up sheet which is on the table in the Church porch.

OTHER

SECONDARY SCHOOL OPEN DAYS

Please see notice board for Open Days at local Catholic Secondary Schools.

SECONDARY SCHOOL FORM SIGNING

Dates for Fr Chris to sign Secondary School Transfer Forms:

Tuesday: September 30th, October 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th

From 3.30pm to 4.30pm

Please come with your child and wait in the Church and bring all the forms you need Fr Chris to sign with you.

REST IN PEACE

EILEEN DOROTHY BOWERMAN RIP

We pray for the repose of the soul of Eileen Dorothy Bowerman RIP whose funeral service will take place at Jamieson Chapel, Hanworth Crematorium on **Monday 22nd September** at 1.00pm. Please also keep her family and all those who mourn her in prayer.

EMILIA POTTS RIP

We pray for the repose of the soul of Emilia Potts RIP who died during the week. Her funeral arrangements will be announced shortly. Please also keep in your prayers her husband Lance, son Clive and all who mourn her.

Mass intentions and other services this week:

Saturday 20th Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions + First Mass of Sunday	11.00 11.00 11.45 12.00 17.00 18.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sacrament of Reconciliation Benediction Emmy Denny RIP Sacrament of Reconciliation Annette Lynch RIP
+ Sunday 21st 25 th Sunday of the Year	09.00 11.00 13.00 18.00	Bernadette Cimpois & Patrick Hanlon RIP People of the Parish Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) Joseph Perera RIP
Monday 22nd Feria	09.15 09.30	Morning Prayer Bruno D'Mello RIP
Tuesday 23rd St Pius of Pietrelcina	09.15 09.30 10.00	Morning Prayer Celebrant's Intention Novena to Our Lady
Wednesday 24th Our Lady of Walsingham	09.15 09.30	Morning Prayer Mary Crawley (Intention)
Thursday 25th Feria	09.15 09.30	Morning Prayer Maria & Manuel Joaquim and Beatriz Faria RIP
Friday 26th Feria	09.15 09.30 15.00	Morning Prayer Mone Antonia, Saverio & Raffaella D'Agostino RIP Baptism of Jaimie Christopher Stokes
Saturday 27th St Vincent de Paul + First Mass of Sunday	11.00 11.00 11.45 12.00 12.45 15.00 17.00 18.00 19.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sacrament of Reconciliation Benediction June Roberts RIP Baptisms of <i>Thaiya Donovan, Gabriel Przybylski, Paul William Warrington and Faith Bluebell Wood</i> Mass in Tagalog for the Filipino Community Sacrament of Reconciliation Gerardo & Maria Yatco RIP Retreat for the Polish Community
+ Sunday 28th 26 th Sunday of the Year	09.00 11.00 13.00 14.00 18.00	David Ugowe (Birthday Thanksgiving) Michael & Christine Bigley RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) Mass led by the African Community People of the Parish

Sanctuary Lamp: Deceased members of the Fernandes & Vaz Families RIP

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

13th/14th September: Envelopes £1057.22, Loose £774.70, Standing Orders £420.00

Total: £2251.92

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**Sunday Mass Times: Saturday 6 pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 9 am, 11 am, 1pm (Polish) & 6 pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) - Saturday 11am & 5pm**

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