

ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM

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Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



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15th/16th June 2024

Year B Vol 2:- (Page 95): Ezekiel 17: 22-24; Psalm 91; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10; Mark 4:26-34

23rd June – Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Page 95): Job 38:1, 8-11; Psalm 106; 2 Corinthians 5:14-17; Mark 4:35-41

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Protecting your Privacy:

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www.rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy

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MASS TIMES

Sunday Mass: 8.00am, 9.30am and 11.00am

Monday to Friday Mass: 9.30am; Saturday Morning: 11.00am

Saturday Morning: Confessions: 9.30am to 10.45am with

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,

Saturday Evening: 5.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday

Ethnic Chaplaincies: Polish Mass every Sunday 1.00pm, Ukrainian Mass 2nd Sunday 2.30pm & 4th Saturday 7.00pm; Malayalam Mass 3rd Sunday 2.30pm; Mass in Tagalog 4th Saturday 3pm; Mass led by Nigerian Chaplaincy 4th Sunday 2.30pm.

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DEFIBRILLATOR IN CHURCH PORCH

Dear Friends,

Could I just use this opportunity to say a heartfelt thank you for your many messages of condolence, sympathy cards, Mass cards and prayers following the recent death of my dad, Frank Macken. They have been a huge source of comfort to myself and my family at this difficult time. I know that many of you knew him. He moved to Feltham in 1961, and has served our parish community in several different capacities in the years that followed. His energy for parish committees (particularly Gift Aid), and school fundraising (he organised the Christmas fair in the 1970's), didn't really ebb until recently when ill health started to get the better of him, and even then he read at the 11:00am Mass until last year.

My dad was devoted to his Catholic faith, and to his family but it would be fair for me to point out that when it came to gardening he was perhaps a bit less enthusiastic. He often said "I love gardens, I just hate gardening".

In today's Gospel, we might be forgiven for thinking that the message is for reluctant gardeners, All you have to do is plant the seed and let nature do the rest. And as if by magic the seed sprouts and grows and then before we know it the shrub is the biggest of them all, so big that even birds can shelter in its shade.

I know there are times when we are all a bit reluctant to get involved but, however small our effort, somehow the crop will grow anyway. Whatever our difficulties, as we share in the celebration of the Eucharist, we are able to renew our confidence in the reality of the Kingdom of God and in the one who is coming and who will not delay.

Grace is all, in the words of Saint Paul, "We are always full of confidence." But look again and it is one of judgement and challenge. If the farmer is God, then he is about to harvest the crop. God may appear to be sleeping but judgement is coming. The reaping is a symbol of judgement. The mustard plant that takes over the land and attracts the birds will undermine the way things are. Whether the harvest is threat or promise depends on us rather than on God. The harvest is coming anyway. As Paul tells us the truth about us when he states "*we will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what he or she deserves*". So which interpretation of the parables do I follow, grace or judgement? In his time here on earth my dad followed both, and equally we need to respond in a similar way while we still have the time.

Have a blessed week

Deacon Colin

MASS OF HEALING AND ANOINTING FOR SENIORS

The Mass for Seniors on **Sunday 7th July** will be a Mass of Healing and Anointing, followed by a Tea Party. If you require a lift or would like to attend please speak to Fr John.

HAPPY
Father's Day

SATURDAY MORNING CHANGES

There will be **no** Eucharistic Adoration on Saturday **June 15th and 22nd**, we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation at Special Masses at 11am and 2pm when the Episcopal Vicar will preside. Please keep our young people in your prayers.

Parishioners are welcome but please note it will be a busy time.

Confessions will take place from 9.30am-10.30am.

WALK WITH JESUS (SUNDAY SCHOOL)

The next session will be on **Sunday 16th June** after the 9.30am Mass.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

We are looking to form a new Parish Pastoral Council before the summer holidays, who will take a leading role in the life of our parish in the coming Jubilee year, and be a channel between the different groups and communities. If anyone is interested or would like to know more, come along to our meeting on **Sunday 30th June** in the Parish Centre after the 11am Mass. You can also speak to Fr John or one of the Parish Team. Thank you to those who have come forward so far.

THE NEW LECTIONARY

On the First Sunday of Advent this year, the new Lectionary will become mandatory in all Catholic parishes and Mass Centres throughout England, Wales and Scotland. The Lectionary, which is the book that contains the Scripture Readings for Mass and the Sacraments, is changing as part of the continuing process of revising liturgical translations. The new Lectionary will use both the English Standard Version (Catholic Edition) and the Abbey Psalter for the Psalms. This will mean a considerable cost to the parish. If you would like to contribute towards the purchasing of these Lectionaries you would be very welcome. Your names will be inserted in the Lectionaries. Please speak to Fr John or Florie in the parish office for more details.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND SUNDAY SCHOOL 2025

Applications are now open for our **First Holy Communion** starting in September for those who will be in Year 3 or above in September and attending a Catholic School.

The Walk with Jesus (Sunday School) programme is for those children in Year 2 and above in September in non-Catholic Schools.

Please email or call Cathy Early (details over the page) for an application form and session dates.

Confirmation registration will be open by the end of June.

READING AT MASS

Reading at Mass is a special Ministry - you are proclaiming the Word of God and that requires understanding of the reading, practice and commitment.

If you would like to read at the weekend Masses, in particular the 8am Mass, please email Cathy Early (details over the page).

PRAYER MEETING

St Lawrence Charismatic Prayer Group invites parishioners to their monthly meeting on **Saturday 15th June** from 6.15pm to 7.45pm in the Parish Centre.

THE ROSARY

During the week, the Rosary will be recited on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays after the 9.30am Mass.

ST LAWRENCE SCHOOL

On **Tuesday 16th July 2024** at 2pm St Lawrence School are celebrating our Year 6 leavers with a special Mass. This Mass will also include staff who are retiring in July, including our long standing Deputy Head, Evelyn Thompson. All are welcome to attend

ST EDMUND CAMPION - KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA

The relic of St Edmund Campion will be coming to our Church on **Saturday 29th June 2023** for the 5:

00pm Mass. This is part of the 2024 pilgrimage in honour of St Edmund Campion and the Martyrs of England and Wales See poster for details.

CAFOD - Preparing for a July election

- using our catholic voice in the general election. CAFOD have information and guides available via their website for parishioners including issues you may wish to raise and opportunities to so with local candidates. <https://cafod.org.uk/campaign/uk-general-election-2024-a-guide-for-catholic-OR-action.cafod.org.uk>. There is also a prayer, which is available on our website.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 15	9.30-10.45am	Confession
	11.00am	CONFIRMATION
	2.00pm	CONFIRMATION
	5.00pm	Diogo Pereira RIP
✱ Sun 16	8.00am	Mary Francis RIP
	9.30am	Francisco & Ana Maria Fernandes RIP
	11.00am	Vivian Marshall RIP
	1.00pm	Mass in Polish (Msza sw)
	2.30pm	Mass in Malayalam
Mon 17	9.30am	Esita Dias – 5 th Birthday Thanksgiving
Tues 18	9.30am	John Murphy RIP
Wed 19	9.30am	Pat Stokes RIP
Thurs 20	9.30am	Carter Family Intentions
Fri 21	9.30am	Bridget D'Souza RIP (Anniversary)
Sat 22	9.30-10.45am	Confession
	11.00am	CONFIRMATION
	2.00pm	CONFIRMATION
	5.00pm	Shirley Stokes RIP
✱ Sun 23	8.00am	Brian Hunt RIP (Anniversary)
	9.30am	Daire O'Gallachoir RIP (Birthday Remembrance)
	11.00am	Deceased members of the Hamill Family RIP
	1.00pm	Mass in Polish (Msza sw)
	2.30pm	Mass led by the Nigerian Chaplaincy
Sanctuary Lamp: Wilson Family Intentions		

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Bernardine Doran RIP, Frank Macken RIP, Brian Barnes RIP, Sylvaine Martin RIP (sister of Rose-Marie Calmiano) and Timothy O'Hea RIP.**

Frank Macken RIP – His Requiem Mass will take place here on **Friday 28th June at 11am** followed by a private burial.

Bernardine Doran RIP – Her Requiem Mass will take place here on **Wednesday 10th July at 11.15am** followed by committal at Hanworth crematorium.

Please keep in your prayers their families and all who mourn them.

RETREAT FOR CATECHISTS

Saturday 6 July at Sacred Heart Hammersmith or 19th October in Welwyn Garden City from 10am-3.30pm. Suggested donation £10. To register email catadmin@rcdow.org.uk and include the name of your parish. See poster in porch.

CONNECT FELTHAM & HOUNSLOW (CARITAS)

Job Vacancy: Drama, Art & Dance Tutor. 9hrs/wk, £9,205.56pa. See noticeboard or go to <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/>. Help motivate & inspire students in Drama, Art & Dance. Based at both Feltham and Hounslow. Although the closing date was 14 June, one could still apply if they are genuinely interested.

OUR PARISH - OUR RESPONSIBILITY

Please read through this leaflet, which can be found in the porch, on the status of the Parish finances, what we have done, what we hope to do and how you can help.

ST LAWRENCE'S SCHOOL AND CHURCH PARKING AND ACCESS

The school car park will be closed until September. During this time please park at Feltham Leisure West or nearby side streets and walk round.

Please remember:

The Church car park is for Disabled Parishioners who have a valid Blue Badge clearly displayed. Access for drop off and collections only for everyone else.

Do not attempt to open the barrier, you are not authorised to open it.

The Green is a private road. No parking along there and

PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN FRONT OF THE BARRIER –

IT IS A HEALTH & SAFETY HAZARD. Anyone caught parking incorrectly will be named and shamed.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

8-9 June: Loose: £1,512.94 Envelopes: £253.00

Total: £1,765.94 Standing orders May £4,730.00

Contactless May (including Stripe): £3,144.00

<https://portal.mydona.com/assets/webPay/index.php?cid=262>

HSBC Bank: WRC DT Feltham Sort code: **40-05-20** – Acc. No: **71095528**

Please add your Surname and First Name as a reference, to help our bookkeeper, also indicate if it is for a Donation, Baptism, etc.

