

# ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM

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Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Year B Vol 2:- (Page 129): Isaiah 35:4-7; Psalm 145; James 2:1-5; Mark 7:31-37

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## MASS TIMES

Saturday Evening: 5.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday

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,

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

Rosary – Monday & Friday – 10am; Devotion to St Anthony – Tuesday 10am  
Novena to Mother of Perpetual Help – Wednesday 10am

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Dear Friends,

Autumn is of course a time of change. The most obvious being that the leaves are falling from the trees and the days becoming shorter and cooler. Some of our youngest parishioners will be starting school for the first time and our older children will be restarting school in a new academic year. Many of our young adults will soon be starting university or perhaps beginning a new career if they have finished their formal education.

Here at St Lawrence's we will also be undergoing change as this weekend Fr John is leaving us to take up his new appointment as Parish Priest in Tring and Fr Mike Maguire is coming to be our new Parish Priest. Please remember them both in your prayers as they embark on their new ministries.

Fr John certainly cared about the people that God cares about and I am certain that Fr Mike will too, but if all of us claim to have faith in Our Lord Jesus Christ, then that means that all of us must live our faith and care about the people that God cares about. In today's psalm, we read that God cares about the poor, the hungry, the imprisoned, the blind, crushed and the oppressed. God loves them all and he protects the stranger. In the light of the recent rioting in many parts of the UK, now might be a good time to ask myself what attitudes do I have to immigrants and asylum seekers? Some of the rioters claimed to be Christian, although I must admit I'm not sure how they can reconcile such extreme views about people from a different culture with the ministry of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

In today's gospel Mark tells us that there is more than one way of being deaf or blind. I think that from time to time we all need to ask ourselves whether we are deaf or blind or both. That could be deaf and blind to the wonder all around us, for example, the changing seasons and the development of our young parishioners as they continue their educational and spiritual journeys; but also to how much we are loved by others or how deaf and blind we might be to those who God has sent to help us or those that God is sending us to help.

Have a blessed week

**Deacon Colin**

## FAREWELL TO FR JOHN

With heavy hearts, we say goodbye to Fr John who leaves for pastures new. We thank him for his 8 years with us, the parish has been enriched with his pastoral care as has the school. Fr John has a special affinity to the Sick and Housebound and to the bereaved. One of his greatest achievements in the parish was to pay off our substantial parish centre loan in 8 years. Fr John was never one to sit idle, he was always on the go. May God bless you as you begin your ministry in your new parish Fr John. You will be greatly missed and will always be welcome to visit.

## FAREWELL AND THANKS TO THERESA FERNANDES

We thank Theresa for all of her input in the parish from behind the scenes, being Fr John's right hand. Theresa was instrumental during Covid in helping with the Sacramental programmes, newsletters, in catering for the Seniors' bi-monthly Tea Party and in earlier years catering at the Deanery Meetings or other parish events. You will be missed and our best wishes for the future. Our door is always open for a visit.

## WELCOME TO FR MIKE MAGUIRE

We extend a warm welcome Fr Mike who arrives later today and will celebrate Mass tomorrow morning when you will get an opportunity to meet him.

### PARISH EVENTS

#### Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September

Fr John will celebrate the weekend Masses.

The 11.00am Mass on Sunday will have an international theme with participation from our ethnic groups.

#### Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September

Farewell reception for Fr John in the Parish Centre.

Please bring a plate of **finger food only** from your country of origin to share.

## MASS INTENTION DIARY

The Mass Intention Diary is fully booked for this year. If you wish to book a Mass this will be sent to a retired priest or to the seminary. Please email the parish office with your request or see Florie. The 2025 Mass Intention Diary is not yet available, therefore we cannot accept Masses Intentions at the moment. An announcement will be made in due course.

## SACRAMENTS

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION/WALK WITH JESUS (SUNDAY SCHOOL) AND CONFIRMATION

Please email Cathy Early ([cathythecatechist@outlook.com](mailto:cathythecatechist@outlook.com)) for an application form if you would like to receive the Sacrament next year.

Any parents who are interested in helping with the sacramental programmes please contact Cathy Early.

The **First Holy Communion Welcome Mass** will take place on **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm**, followed by a meeting in the Parish Centre. **Today 8<sup>th</sup> September is the last day for First Holy Communion Registrations.**

The **Walk with Jesus Welcome Mass** will take place on **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September at 9.30am** followed by a brief meeting in the Parish Centre.

### BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES

If you wish to baptise your child or plan to get married (six months notice required) please send an email with your details to [feltham@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:feltham@rcdow.org.uk). Your request will be dealt with week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> September.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 7	9.30-10.45am 11.00am 5.00pm	Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Confession Sr Katherine O'Reilly (Memorial Mass) Nigel Owen RIP (Anniversary)
✳ Sun 8	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 1.00pm 2.30pm	Cirilo, Carmina & Chris Rodrigues in Thanksgiving Sr Mary O'Malley RIP (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary) Tudor Wijeyesinghe RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw) Mass in Ukrainian
Mon 9	9.30am	Bernardine Doran RIP
Tues 10	9.30am 1.00PM	Anthony Adams – Birthday Intention REQUIEM MASS – ANN HINEY RIP
Wed 11	9.30am	Augustinho Fernandes RIP (3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary)
Thurs 12	9.30am	Sr Katherine O'Reilly RIP
Fri 13	9.30am	Keyora Fernandes in Birthday Thanksgiving
Sat 14	9.30-10.45am 11.00am 2.00pm 5.00pm	Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Confession Zygmunt M & Stefania Wolanski RIP FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – WELCOME MASS Deceased members of the Gill & Foxen Families RIP
✳ Sun 15	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 1.00pm 2.30pm	The Gomes Family in Thanksgiving Anita Calmiano RIP (Anniversary) Tom Murphy RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw) Mass in Malayalam
Sanctuary Lamp: Intentions of the Fernandes Family		

## PRAYER MEETING

St Lawrence Charismatic Prayer Group invites parishioners to their monthly meeting on **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September** from 6.15pm to 7.45pm in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

## REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Ann Hiney RIP, June Dodsworth RIP, Karen Puddle RIP, Stella Marie Barry RIP, Anne Jane Bagnall RIP, Sheena Johnston RIP and Lucy Adoma RIP.**

**Ann Hiney RIP** – Her Requiem Mass will take place here on **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September at 1.00pm** followed by burial at Bedfont Cemetery

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

## SYNODAL PATHWAY

A further Synodal Discernment Day to be held at the London Jesuit Centre, 114 Mount Street, London W1K 3AH, on **Saturday, 14 September 2024**. Please see poster for more information.

## ANNUAL DIOCESAN YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

Calling 16-25 year olds to join the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham on **21<sup>st</sup> September**. Contact Cathy Early for a link to Application Form. Please note we are not organising this only providing the information.

## EUCHARISTIC FESTIVAL AT WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL

On **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September**, the Feast of the Holy Cross, Cardinal Nichols invites everyone to a Eucharistic Festival in the Cathedral from 12.30pm-4pm. Starts with Mass at 12.30pm. For more information visit: <https://rcdow.org.uk/westminster-eucharistic-festival/>. Please also see poster on notice board.

## ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE - OPEN EVENTS

See poster on notice board for open evenings For Year 7 and Sixth Form

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

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