



ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM



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Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

2nd/3rd November 2024

Year B Vol 2:- (Page 152): Deuteronomy 6:2-6; Psalm 17; Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 12:28-34

10th November – 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Page 154): 1 Kings 17:10-16; Psalm 145; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44

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Protecting your Privacy:

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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 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.

Rosary – Monday & Friday – 10am;

Devotion to St Anthony – Tuesday 10am

Novena to Mother of Perpetual Help – Wednesday 10am

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SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Charles Borromeo (1538-1584)

Memorial, 4th November

“Charity is that with which no man is lost, and without which no man is saved “

A CALL TO LOVE

Love is the greatest of all God’s commandments. Summarily, the books of Deuteronomy and Leviticus explicitly explained the ten commandments in two categories. The first, stated that one should love God with all his/her heart, mind and soul (Deut.6:4-6), and the second completed it by adding that you should love your neighbour as you love yourself (Lev.19: 18). Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, the Lord is inviting us to the journey of love today.

Notably, this word love has been a precious gift from God, which he manifested through his creation. The Scripture says that God created us in his own image and likeness (Gen.1: 26). As a matter of fact, God loved us first by allowing us to participate in his own nature of love. Hence, God, out of his infinite wisdom, gave us his commandments in order to help us to maintain our inherited nature of love. In the first reading of today, Moses spoke to the people of Israel of what God commanded them to do, which is to love God above all things. However, our Lord Jesus in responding to the Scribes of his quest with regards to the greatest of the commandments, explained that loving God and one’s neighbour is the greatest commandment.

We might in conscience ask ourselves the essence behind all the rules, Laws, regulations, precepts and commandments that human beings keep in all the spheres of life? Actually, all these laws are made as the prototype of God’s commandment of love. They act as the guiding principles that can help all humanity to express their divine gift of love between one another in the very society they found themselves in. Therefore, to love other people no matter the colour, race or tribe, language or culture, is never a matter of decision but it is a condition for living a good life and as a commandment of God. Furthermore, no one can claim to be doing the will of God while he/she is bearing grudges, gossiping, hatred, jealousy against one another. The Scripture states that, “if you say, I love God, while hate your brothers or sisters, you are a liar. How can you love God whom you do not see, if you do not love your brothers and sisters whom you can see?” (1Jn.4:20). Love demands for sincerity of heart, sacrifice, patience, understanding and affection. Are you still finding it difficult to love others? Ask God to re-awake the gift of love in your life, which is God’s presence in our life.

My dear brothers and sisters, God is calling us today to love others beyond all telling just as Jesus loved us and sacrificed his life for us. May God help us to remain in his love all the days of our life through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Have a blessed week

Fr Peter Egboo

MONTH OF NOVEMBER

- **Blessing of Graves** - Fr Mike, Fr Peter and Deacon Rolly will be available on **Sunday 3rd November** to pray over and bless the graves of parishioners buried in local cemeteries. If you would like to have the grave of a loved one blessed, just turn up and wait at your loved one's grave for one of the priests/Deacon.

Hatton Cemetery – 1.00pm; Bedfont Cemetery – 1.30pm;
Feltham Cemetery – 2.15pm

Hanworth Crematorium – 1.00pm (for those whose ashes are buried there); Borough Cemetery (Powder Mill Lane) – 1.45pm and Hounslow Cemetery – 2.15pm.

A schedule of blessing of graves in all cemeteries in the Hounslow Borough is displayed on the noticeboard

- **November Lists** – are available at the back of Church, please fill in and place in the **basket** at the foot of the altar. The Memory Tree by the Baptistry is another way to leave a short prayer for a loved one.

- **Remembrance Sunday – 10th November** – The parade will take place at 2.45pm with placing of wreaths by local dignitaries at 3pm.

FATHER MIKE SAYS 'THANK YOU' to everyone involved in the Induction Mass last Friday. It was a truly blessed evening, with so many attending from within the parish and outside. Bishop Jim thoroughly enjoyed being here with us and he asked me to pass on his thanks to you also. I know how much hard work was put into the preparations for the Mass, the fruits of which were enjoyed and celebrated by all, and, so, I say a huge 'thank you' to everyone involved, with assurances that I will pray for you all every day and I will work hard to serve you and the Lord in our wonderful parish.

UPPER ROOM LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME 2024-5

This is a year-long leadership programme for **18-30 year olds** that will equip them with all the **necessary practical and spiritual skills** to lead a youth group in their parish including safeguarding training, public speaking etc. The entire programme concludes with an opportunity to participate in the **diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes** as chaplains to the Redcaps. We also hope that during their training they will, with the permission of their parish priest, **set up and run a regular youth group**. More information.

<https://youth.rcdow.org.uk/outreach/upper-roomleadership-programme/>

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & WALK WITH JESUS

The next First Holy Communion class will take place on **Saturday 9th November, 3pm**, and Walk with Jesus on **Sunday 10th November, after the 9.30am Mass**, both taking place in the school hall.

First Holy Communion Preparation Class for older children (year 6 and above) is on **Saturday 9th November at 1.00pm** in Church.

CONFIRMATION – YOUNG ADULTS

The Confirmation '*getting to know you*' meetings will take place in Church from 5pm-6.20pm on **Tuesday 5th, Thursday 7th and Wednesday 13th November**. Please see Cathy or one of the Catechists at the back of Church this weekend to book your slot. The parents' course starts on **Thursday, 7th November** at 7pm in Church and it is mandatory for all parents to attend.

APPLICATIONS TO PRIMARY SCHOOLS (RECEPTION)

You can now book an appointment with Father Mike for those who are applying for Primary School entrance, (Reception Class) beginning September 2025. If you physically live in the parish or you regularly worship here, please sign up to an available slot at the back of church, the dates for which are Fridays **8th, 15th, 22nd November, 3.30pm – 5.30pm**. These dates and times are the only ones available for the signing of Certificates of Catholic Practise (CCP). The CCP is certifying your Catholic Practice at Sunday Masses and Holy Days of Obligation over several years and without this regular practice, regrettably, it is not possible for a CCP to be issued.

ST LAWRENCE'S SCHOOL RECEPTION ADMISSION

Admission to Reception for September 2025.

Please call our school office on 0208 890 3878 to book your place on our school tour.

School Tour - **Wednesday 27th November 2024** - 9.15am-10.30am.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 2	9.30-10.45am	Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Confession
All Souls Day	11.00am 5.00pm	HOLY SOULS HOLY SOULS (Mass for Bereaved Families)
☩ Sun 3	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 1.00pm 7.00pm	Olga & Mario Pereira RIP Souls of the Fonseca Family RIP Erlinda Layug RIP (Anniversary) Mass in Polish (Msza sw) Renie Perez (Intention)
new Mass		
Mon 4	9.30am	Lino & Nelly Fernandes RIP
Tues 5	9.30am	Myla Almeida – Birthday Thanksgiving
Wed 6	9.30am	Jiah Fernandes – Birthday Thanksgiving
Thurs 7	9.30am	Agnetha Wilson in Thanksgiving – 90 th Birthday
Fri 8	9.30am	Eamon O'Brien RIP
Sat 9	9.30-10.45am 11.00am 5.00pm	Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Confession Daire O'Gallachoir RIP (3 rd Anniversary) Camilo Barreto RIP (Anniversary)
☩ Sun 10	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 1.00pm 2.30pm 2.45pm 3.00pm	Rose & Carafino Bragança RIP Diniz Dias RIP (Birthday Remembrance) REQUIEM MASS FOR WAR DEAD Mass in Polish (Msza sw) Mass in Ukrainian <i>Gather in Victoria Road for the Parade</i> REMEMBRANCE SERVICE AT WAR MEMORIAL
new Mass	7.00pm	Semetrina Pereira RIP
Sanctuary Lamp: Gabriel D'Souza		

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Valerie Lobo RIP, Regina Offiah RIP and John Fernandes RIP** (father of Fr Emmanuel Fernandes who was with us earlier this year).

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

WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL CHOIR SCHOOL

If your son has musical potential, in Years 2, 3 or 4 and you would like to know more, you are invited to a Zoom session on Wednesday 27th November at 6.30pm for 30 minutes. For the zoom link please email Lucy Freeman at freeman@choirschool.com

READERS HALF-DAY REFLECTION

On **Saturday 16th November** there will be a half-day reflection for **ALL** readers including those who would like to be a reader, starting with 11am Mass followed by training of the New Lectionary which comes into effect on the First Sunday of Advent. The day of reflection will finish about 4.30pm. Please bring a packed lunch, refreshments will be provided. **Please note that it is mandatory for all Readers to attend.**

VACANCIES

-St Lawrence Primary School are looking for a handy man on an ad hoc basis. Please call the School Office for more information 020 8890 3878.

-St Richard Reynolds Catholic College have vacancies for Teachers and Support Staff. Please see the notice board for more details.

-Please see noticeboard for job vacancies within the Diocese.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

26-27 Oct: Loose: £1,742.55 Envelopes: £341.97 **Total:** £2,084.52

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