

ST LAWRENCE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

16th – 17th November 2024

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Sat 16	11am	Teresa Mahon RIP
	5pm	Deceased members of the Gomes Families
Sun 17	8am	Agostinho Gonsalves RIP (6 th Anniversary)
	9.30am	Souls of the Rosario & D'Silva Families
	11am	Frank Macken RIP
	7pm	Dominic Dieseru – Special Intention
Mon 18	9.30am	David Crawley & deceased members of the Crawley Family RIP
Tues 19	9.30am	Patrick Keaveney RIP
Wed 20	9.30am	Cecilia Fernandes RIP
Thur 21	9.30am	Joseph Pereira RIP (2 nd Anniversary)
Fri 22	9.30am	Piedade Rodrigues in Thanksgiving
Sat 23	11am	Harry Haldane RIP (Anniversary)
	5pm	Mary Stokes RIP (10 th Anniversary)
Sun 24	8am	Antonio Carvalho RIP (2 nd Anniversary)
	9.30am	Ida Fernandes in Thanksgiving
	11am	Deceased members of the 11am Choir RIP
	7pm	Herman Schmidt RIP

Sanctuary Lamp is lit for the Intentions of the Dieseru Family

OTHER REGULAR MASSES, LITURGY

Confessions and Adoration: Saturdays 9.30am to 10.45am

Morning Prayer: Monday to Friday 9.15am

Rosary: Monday & Friday 10am

St Anthony Devotion: Tuesday 10am

Novena to Mother of Perpetual Help: Wednesday 10am

Polish Mass: Sundays 1.00pm

Ukrainian Mass: 2nd Sunday 2.30pm & 4th Saturday 7.00pm

Malayalam Mass: 3rd Sunday 2.30pm

Filipino Mass: 4th Saturday 3pm

Nigerian Mass: 4th Sunday 2.30pm

PARISH OFFICE OPENING TIMES

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 8.30am – 4pm

Wednesday & Friday: 8.30am – 1pm

Dear Friends,

As we prepare for Advent, now might be a good time to reflect on the past year and look forward to the next.

This year on the First Sunday of Advent the new Lectionary will come into use at all parishes in England, Wales and Scotland. However, some things remain the same and we will still hear the Gospel of Luke in the coming year.

Luke's Gospel has often been called "the most beautiful book in the world." Its Christmas stories and the parables of the Prodigal Son and the Good Samaritan have captured the hearts of the Christian world. In particular, Luke emphasises about the part women played in the early years of the church. For example, John the Baptist's mother Elizabeth and the Christmas story involving Mary. Luke also has special concern for the poor and the humble.

But, it would also be true to state that a prominent theme of Luke's Gospel is the doctrine of repentance and forgiveness. Jesus instructed his disciples to forgive one another, and he gave us a vivid example when, from the cross, he said, "Father forgive them they do not know what they are doing". Also, Peter was forgiven after he denied Christ three times. So perhaps with this theme of forgiveness, now might be a good time to consider that if you haven't received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for a while then please take the opportunity to do so during Advent.

Have a blessed week

Deacon Collin

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the soul of those who have died recently, *Roza Marla Valerie Myra Lobo whose funeral takes place here on Thursday 28th November at 11.00am*, for those whose anniversaries occur, and for all whose names are written in our Holy Souls Remembrance Book. may they rest in peace. Amen.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

St Cecilia

Virgin and Martyr, (180 AD – 230 AD)

Memorial, 22nd November

"To die for Christ is not to sacrifice one's youth, but to renew it"

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

Today, Year B Vol 2, p.157

1st Reading Daniel 12:1-13; Psalm 15;

2nd Reading Hebrews 10:11-14.18; Gospel Mark 13:24-32

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (B), p.160

1st Reading Daniel 7:13-14; Psalm 92;

2nd Reading Apocalypse 1:5-8; Gospel John 18:33-37

NEW PARISH WEBSITE AND NEWSLETTER DESIGN - Our Diocesan Communications Department have created a new website for the parish. It is modern, fresh, vibrant and captures our parish expertly. Included in this redesign is our beautiful icon of St Lawrence, through which hearts of the people of the parish we hope will be drawn into the heart and prayer of St Lawrence, our patron Saint. The website is a 'work in progress', updating continuously, making our parish more media and IT accessible. The website address to access it has not changed; it remains the same as the top of this newsletter. In keeping with the style of the new website, we have developed the newsletter also to this current format, with updates such as Mass details on the front. We hope you like them both.

PARISH MEETING - Having now met with all the different Parish Groups, Fr Mike would like to have a Parish Meeting inviting all parishioners to a meeting on **Sunday 15th December from 11.30am-12.30pm in the Parish Centre** to let him know your thoughts about the parish and ideas for the future.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & WALK WITH JESUS - The next First Holy Communion class will take place on **Saturday 23rd November, 3pm**, and Walk with Jesus on **Sunday 1st December, after the 9.30am Mass**, both taking place in the parish centre.

First Holy Communion Preparation Class for older children (year 6 and above) is on **Saturday 23rd November at 1.00pm** in the parish centre.

CONFIRMATION – YOUNG ADULTS - The first Confirmation preparation Class for Group 1 is on Thursday 21st November at 6.30pm. Please check your emails for all information.

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 last date for signing is Friday **22nd November, 3.30pm – 5.30pm**. This date and times is 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**.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY – Thank you to all those who helped with refreshments and in any other way last weekend.

JUSTICE AND PEACE / CARITAS REPRESENTATIVE - The West London Justice and Peace network meet 3 times a year online and one face to face. They discuss all issues relating to CAFOD (overseas), Caritas (local social action) and Justice and Peace. Issues range from Food Banks, winter night shelters, creation and climate change, the Church's call for nuclear disarmament, Fairtrade etc. If you are interested in becoming a representative, working alongside Miriam, our current parish rep, please leave your contact details in the parish office, marked *Justice and Peace / Caritas Rep*, and Miriam will be in touch with you.

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. Job vacancies within the Diocese. Please see the notice board for more details.

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 lfreeman@choirschool.com

SECOND COLLECTION - THE SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS' FUND– Today's second collection is for the sick and retired priests of our Diocese. Please give generously and help ensure our sick and older priests are financially supported, having given us a lifetime of dedicate service. They have baptised us, welcomed us into the Church, and offered comfort and prayer at times of sorrow. Now we have a chance to give back and ensure they have peace of mind during their senior years, when they may be facing failing health and declining mobility. Please give generously using the envelopes in the church. You can make a one-off donation or set up a regular donation and become a Patron by completing section 4 on the envelope form. You can also donate online at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations - the envelopes and posters feature a 'QR code' that you can scan with a phone camera to give online.

NOVEMBER LISTS – Sheets are available at the back of Church. Please take one, 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.

REPOSITORY – The Repository has a selection of Christmas Cards, 2025 religious calendars, gifts and other items. Please stop and have a look.

A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION IN WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL - Tickets are now on sale for the annual Christmas concerts which celebrate the mystery of Christ's Incarnation in carols and readings performed by the world-famous Westminster Cathedral Choir, orchestra, and celebrity readers, **on 18 and 19 December at 7.30pm**. We encourage everybody to purchase tickets quickly before these popular events are sold out. Tickets can be purchased from the Cathedral Gift Shop or directly from Ticketmaster; go to www.ticketmaster.co.uk and type in Westminster Cathedral when prompted.

CARITAS ADVENT CALENDAR - Caritas Westminster has prepared a different Advent Calendar that should help us think of those who are less fortunate or may be struggling at this moment. The calendar gives a suggestion of items to be donated to foodbanks for each day leading to Christmas. See noticeboard or porch glass for details. You can also find it at www.caritaswestminster.org.uk. Please put your donations in the white box in Church. Donations will be given to the St Lawrence Foodbank hub and to Riverside Vineyard Storehouse. Thank you.

PARISH OFFICE – Florie will be away on annual leave from 22nd November returning 10th December. Please only contact the pastoral team for urgent matters during her absence.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

9th – 10th November

Loose £1,568.65 Envelopes £297.51 **Total £1,866.16**

HSBC BANK ACCOUNT NAME: **WRCDT Feltham**

Account No: **71095528** Sort Code: **40-05-20**

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