

ST LAWRENCE
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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The Most Holy Trinity – Year C

14th – 15th June 2025

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Sat 14th 11am 5pm	Tadeusz Z Wolanski The Power Family	RIP INT
Sun 15th 8am 9.30am 11am 7pm	Dominic Dieseru Manuel Pereira & Florina Lourenco Karen Sager People of the Parish	SP. INT RIP 1 ST ANN INT
Mon 16th 9.30am	Francoise Wood	PR. INT
Tue 17th 9.30am 7pm	Esita Dias Sheila Murphy	RIP GET WELL
Wed 18th 9.30am	Daphne Fernandes	RIP
Thur 19th 9.30am	Pat Stokes	T ^R GIVING
Fri 20th 9.30am 7pm	Domingos Santana Fernandes & Amelia Rebello Fr Francis Press	RIP RIP
Sat 21st 11am 5pm	Francoise Wood Daire O’Gallachoir	T ^R GIVING RIP
Sun 22nd 8am 9.30am 11am 7pm	Michael Joseph D’Souza Manuel Fernandes McKenley & Marie Thomas People of the Parish	RIP T ^R GIVING RIP INT

Sanctuary Lamp lit for Victor Fernandes in Thanksgiving

OTHER REGULAR MASSES, LITURGY

Confessions and Adoration: Saturdays 9.30am to 10.45am
Morning Prayer: Monday to Friday 9.10am
Rosary: Monday & Friday 10am
St Anthony Devotion: Tuesday 10am
Novena to Mother of Perpetual Help: Wednesday 10am
Polish Mass: Sundays 1.00pm
Malayalam Mass: 3rd Sunday 2.30pm
Filipino Mass: 4th Saturday 3pm
Nigerian Mass: 4th Sunday 2.30pm

Easter Joy, Trinitarian Love

In the culmination of our Easter season last weekend, marking the power and role of the Holy Spirit in our Pentecost birth of the Church, being sent on mission, for which we play an essential part, we have now transitioned into our liturgical Ordinary Time. We will again see green vestments at Mass. We step into this Ordinary time holding onto Easter joy, which we carry into the ordinariness of our lives; lives extraordinarily rooted in the Trinity, the eternal nearness, power and presence of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. Today is also *Day for Life*, which is ‘dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. The theme this year is *Hope does not Disappoint: Finding meaning in Suffering*. It is inspired by Romans 5:5-6, forming part of our second reading today, in which we are invited to see that Christian hope is not just naïve optimism but, rather, an unshakeable trust in the power and presence of God who is with us always. This hope can help us to endure the darkness and challenges of human suffering and even see beyond it’ (Catholic Bishops’ Conference of England and Wales), rooted in the life and gift of the Trinity, which will never disappoint us, yet only continue to shine that Easter joy into our lives.

With my prayers and best wishes,
Father Mike

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Today: The Most Holy Trinity, (Yr C Vol 2) p. 81
Next week: Corpus Christi, (Yr C Vol 2) p. 83

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of Maxime Bernard, Martin McDonagh and Audrey Irene Lennon who died recently. We also pray for the souls of those whose anniversaries occur at this time, may they all rest in peace.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Aloysius Gonzaga (1568-1591)
Memorial June 21, Patron: young students, the blind
“It is better to be a child of God than king of the whole world.”

PARISH OFFICE OPENING TIMES

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday:
10.00am–12noon, Friday: 12.30-2.30pm

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CATECHESIS CORNER

As mentioned last week, the seven Sacraments of the Church are grouped into three, among which are the Sacraments of Christian initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation). The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "The sacraments of Christian initiation - Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist - lay the foundations of every Christian life...the faithful are born anew by Baptism, strengthened by the sacrament of Confirmation, and receive in the Eucharist the food of eternal life..." (CCC 1212).

This week, we start by discussing Baptism, the first Sacrament of initiation into the Catholic Church. Our Catechism states, "Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit and the door which gives access to the other Sacraments... through Baptism we are freed from sin; we become members of Christ..." (CCC 1213). Baptism transforms us into God's people, accepts us as adopted children, pardons all our sins, and integrates us into Christ. It grants a relationship with Christ that lasts forever.

There following symbols are used during Baptism:

Water: Water is poured over the head or by partial or full immersion with the minister saying, "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit", known as the Trinitarian formula. Water represents new birth, cleansing and deliverance.

Oils: Two types are used: The Oil of the Catechumens is applied to the chest. It symbolises salvation as well as the power and strength that come from Christ. The crown of the head is anointed with Sacred Chrism oil, which stands for our share in Christ's priesthood, and being a part of his body.

White Garment: It is a visible manifestation of the individual's Christian dignity. It also means that the individual has been clothed with Christ and is now a new creation.

Candle. The baptismal candle is lit from the Easter Candle. It represents the risen Jesus, who is the light of the world (Jn 8:12). Jesus is the light that guides every baptized person. It also represents the flame of faith, which is to be kept burning brightly.

THANK YOU to all of our parishioners who have contributed in varied and many ways to the preparation, planning and liturgical delivery of our sacramental programmes this academic year, culminating in the beautiful celebrations of First Holy Communion and Confirmation: A staggering 208 of our parishioners received these sacraments! Bishop Jim was enthused and delighted to have celebrated the Confirmations, and Fr Andrew and I honoured and inspired to have concelebrated the Confirmation Masses and celebrated the First Holy Communion Masses. Congratulations to those who received the sacraments and, again, a hearty thanks to all who made them a reality.

LOURDES 2025 FUNDRAISING Two Coffee Mornings planned for **15th and 29th June** after the 9.30am and 11am Masses. Donations of cakes would be welcome for our Coffee Morning on 15th June. Treat your Dad to a Father's Day cuppa and cake!

ST LAWRENCE STAY & PLAY is back! This parent and toddler group will meet every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday during term time, from 9.15am to around 11.30am. We ask for an offering of £3 per family, per session. If you have any questions please contact one of the two leads, Vanessa Oliver, on 07956237401. Everyone is welcome!

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

Confirmation Thanksgiving Mass and Party – Saturday 14th June 5.00pm

Walk with Jesus after 9.30am Mass on Sunday 22nd June.

Baptism The next Baptism Preparation Class on Thursday 10th July at 6.30pm in Church.

Marriage: If you are planning on getting married in this country or abroad, we require a minimum of six clear months notice in order to complete all the paperwork in time for your wedding. Please do not book your reception venues, etc before first contacting the priest.

Sick, housebound or in hospital: Please contact one of the clergy or the Sisters if you would like a visit or anointing of the sick. If you or a loved one is in hospital please contact the Hospital Roman Catholic Chaplain. West Middlesex Hospital Tel. 020 8321 5447, St Peter's Chertsey Tel: 01932 872000.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE We are delighted to announce a new course for those couples who are preparing for marriage in the Catholic Church. Couples are required to complete marriage preparation as part of the 'Application for Marriage' process. This one-day course will be held in the Parish Centre from 10am to 6pm, including the 5pm Mass, during which there will be a blessing of engagement rings. The available dates for this course are Saturdays 28th June, 19th July and 4th October – ***remember you only need to attend one of these days!*** The cost will be £75 per couple, including teas and coffees. Lunch is not provided, but there will be a lunch break. To book a place, please contact Florie in the Parish Office. We keep all those preparing for marriage in our prayers.

APPRECIATE AND LEARN MUSIC THROUGH SINGING (ALMS) - Do you love singing? Would you like to develop your singing skills? Are you interested in expanding your repertoire? If so, this is the perfect opportunity for you! This new 'outreach' venture will be managed and led by the wonderful singing teacher, Julia Early. The idea is to create a choral group – no addition, just enthusiasm – for adults, 18-years-old and over. It will take place each Thursday, 7pm, in Church, beginning on 19th June. There will be a trial period for 4-6 weeks to see if there is sufficient interest in the project, so I encourage you to sign up. It will last around an hour and will cost £5 per person, paid directly to Julia.

FEAST OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST – Tuesday 24th June. 9.30am Mass in English, 7pm Mass will be in Konkani.

EVENTS AROUND THE DIOCESE – Please see the noticeboard for events taking place around the diocese including job vacancies.

WEEKDAY EVENING MASSES A reminder that we now have two evening Masses on a Tuesday and Friday at 7pm. Please do spread this news of these newly established weekday Masses. If any of our current readers would like to read at the evening Masses please contact Cathy Early.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM – 21 September. Lay led pilgrimage from Feltham. If you are interested in going please contact Florie.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

7th – 8th June

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