ST LAWRENCE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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28th - 29th June 2025

Saints Peter and Paul - Year C

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS		
Sat 28 th 11am 5pm	Diamond Anniversary Sue, Eva, Jack & Ken	T'GIVING INT
Sun 29th 8am 9.30am 11am 7pm	People of the Parish Celestine Cruz and Cruz souls D'csed Hamill Family Mylie Rodrigues	INT RIP (25 th A) RIP T'GIVING
Mon 30 9.30am	Tadeusz Z Wolanski	RIP
Tue 1/7 9.30am 7pm	Jesus Mascarenhas (Birthday) Mhondoro Family	T'GIVING T'GIVING
Wed 2nd 9.30am	Keith D'Souza (21st Birthday)	T'GIVING
Thur 3rd 9.30am 11am	Vincent Cardoso FUNERAL – MAXIME BERNARD	T'GIVING RIP
Fri 4th 9.30am 7pm	Matilda Apolina Fernandes Caroline Deshpande	RIP (1 st A) RIP (2 nd A)
Sat 5th 11am 5pm	Merlita Pires (Birthday) Newton Faria	T'GIVING T'GIVING
Sun 6 th 8am 9.30am 11am 7pm	Edel Pires (17 th Birthday) Agnelo & Sandra – Wedding Ann Veronica & Birilo Gomes Pro Populo	T'GIVING T'GIVING RIP INT

Sanctuary Lamp lit for the soul of Elizabeth Harris RIP

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

Knowing Jesus: The Rock of Our Faith

Matthew 16:13–19 is an important moment where Jesus asks His disciples, "Who do you say I am?" Peter answers, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." This shows that Peter truly understands who Jesus is, not just because of what he sees, but because God has helped him see the truth. Jesus praises Peter and says he will be the rock on which the Church is built.

Jesus also gives Peter the "keys of the kingdom," which means Peter is being trusted with a special role and responsibility. This shows us that faith is not just about belief, but also about living out that belief and being responsible in our actions.

This passage reminds us that knowing who Jesus is changes everything. It's not just about having the right answer but about having a real relationship with Him. Just like Peter, we are called to trust in Jesus, to speak boldly about our faith, and to live in a way that reflects His love and truth. It teaches us that God can use our faith to build something strong and lasting.

Have a Blessed week

Deacon Rolly

SCRIPTURE READINGS Today: Saints Peter & Paul, Vigil p. 177, Mass during the Day p.180 Next week: 14th Sunday of the Year, p.105

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of Maxime Bernard 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 Elizabeth of Portugal (1271-1336)
Memorial, July 4th - Peacemaker, help underprivileged
"Prayer is the best weapon that we have;
it is the key to God's heart."

PARISH OFFICE OPENING TIMES

Monday to Thursday: 10.00am–12noon Friday: 12.30-2.30pm

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CATECHESIS CORNER

This week we will delve deeper into the concept of "realistic hope" in relation to infant baptism. Simply put, realistic hope is raising a baptised child to be a practicing Catholic adult. As stated in the Code of Canon Law, "For an infant to be baptized licitly, there must be a founded hope that the infant will be brought up in the Catholic religion..." (Can. 868 §1). Therefore, parents and godparents have an obligation to teach the baptised child the Church's teachings and practices through word and living an exemplary life to inspire them. The fulfilment of this obligation begins from the family (a domestic church), when parents teach the child basic prayers, namely, Sign of the Cross, Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be, the Rosary, Grace Before and After Meals, and above all, regular Mass attendance. It becomes easier to pass on the faith to the child when parents have a mature faith, for as it is said in Latin, Nemo dat quod non habet (you cannot give what you don't have). To assist parents in the upbringing of the child in the faith, is a godparent, therefore, a practicing Catholic should be chosen for this role. The Catechism (number 1255) states, "Godparents must be firm believers, able and ready to help the newly-baptised – child or adult – on the road of Christian life".

Where the parents of a child are not practicing Catholics, grandparents can play a significant role to inculcate the faith. In his homily, Pope Francis once said of grandparents, "Grandparents are a treasure…the elderly pass on history, doctrine, faith, and they leave them to us as an inheritance…when parents were absent or confused by secular ideologies, grandmothers were the ones who handed on the faith..." It is also advisable for parents to prioritise sending their children to a Catholic school to aid the realisation of the "realistic hope" in the life of their child. Although Catholic schools, like all schools, are geared towards the intellectual and moral education of children, this is achieved with a "Catholic touch".

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION - Peter's Pence is a concrete way to support the Holy Father in his mission of service to the Universal Church. It is a gesture of communion and participation in the Pope's mission to proclaim the Gospel, promote peace, and spread Christian charity. Every offering, large or small, will support the Holy Father in his ministry and in charitable activities responding to emergencies and needs around the world. For more information visit www.obolodisanpietro.va. There will be a retiring collection as you leave Church today.

LOURDES 2025 FUNDRAISING Please drop in a coffee or tea, cake and a chat after the 9.30am and 11am Masses this Sunday. Donations of cakes and offers of help would be welcome.

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!

ST. LAWRENCE CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP invites all Parishioners an **Intercessory Prayer** on **28 June 2025** at **6:15 pm** in the **Parish Centre.** Come and experience God's Love & Mercy!

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION to the Sacred Heart and Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament on **Friday 4th July** after 9.30am Mass.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

Walk with Jesus after 9.30am Mass on Sunday 6th July.

First Holy Communion and Walk With Jesus 2026 -

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

The Walk with Jesus programme for Year 2 and above in September for children in non-Catholic Schools. **Confirmation 2026** - Applications are available for our

Confirmation programme starting in October for those who will be in Year 9 or above in September.

• Please email Cathy Early (details over the page) for an application form for any of the three Programmes.

Baptism The next Baptism Preparation Class is 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 <u>six clear months</u> 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 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 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 takes place each Thursday, 7pm, in Church. 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. EVENTS AROUND THE DIOCESE – Please see the noticeboard for events taking place around the diocese including job vacancies.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM – Date: Saturday 20 September. Lay led pilgrimage from Feltham. If you are interested in going please contact Florie. If we get sufficient numbers we will hire a coach.

 $EMMAUS\ FESTIVAL\ _$ Cancelled due to lack of interest.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

 $21^{st} - 22^{nd}$ June

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