ST LAWRENCE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Twenty-Second Sunday in



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30th - 31st August 2025

A warm welcome back to the parish and the new academic year. I hope you have all had a restful and restorative summer period, enjoying time with family and friends. Importantly, I hope you have taken time to be with the Lord Jesus in new and surprising ways, listening to the voice of the Lord, against the backdrop of our first reading today that 'an attentive ear is the wise man's desire.' With many weddings celebrated over the summer and a beautiful gift of a new chalice and paten received from a parishioner for our celebration of the Eucharist, the Gospel this weekend calls us to step into our new academic year with refreshed and clearer gaze on Heaven, and the Eucharistic pilgrim journey we make to get there. With the humility expressed in our readings and a desire for Heaven, this is a good time to deepen our love and reverence for the Eucharist, especially the ways in which we are called to receive Holy Communion, reverently. We will discuss the practical intricacies of this in the coming weeks, in our Catechesis Corner. For now, may we keep our eyes and hearts firmly on the Lord Jesus and learn from Him, who is gentle and lowly of heart.

Cathy Early our Catechetical Co-ordinator is on holiday from 26th August to 5th September inclusive.

Have a Blessed week. Fr Mike

Rev Colin Macken

Deacon

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PARISH OFFICE OPENING TIMES FROM SEPTEMBER 2025 Mon, Wed, Thurs: 10.00am-12noon & Fri: 12.30-2.30pm Tues, Sat & Sun: Office Closed

> SCRIPTURE READINGS Today: 22nd Sunday of the Year, p.130 Next week: 23rd Sunday of the Year, p.133

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the soul of Derek Spencer, Luigi Cornini & Daryl Smith and of those who have 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 Gregory the Great (540-604), Feast Day September 3rd, Pope & Doc of the Church "One cannot truly know God without knowing himself."

Ordinary Time - Year C

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS		
Sat 30 th 11am 5pm	Augustia Lopes Martin Delaney	RIP RIP (1st A)
Sun 31 st 8am 9.30am 11am 7pm	Mario & Olga Pereira Lawrence Furtado Esther Kusi-Appiah People of the Parish	RIP RIP (A) RIP (A) INT
Mon 1st/9 9 . 30am	Anthony Nunes	RIP
Tue 2 nd 9.30am 7pm	Margaret Moore-Saxton 85 th B'day D'csd family Chow, Johnson & Ramnarine	T'GIVING RIP
Wed 3 rd 9.30am	Paixao Souza & Joao V Almeida	RIP
Thur 4 th 9.30am	People of the Parish	INT
Fri 5 th 9.30am 7pm	Cruzita Pires & Volney Pereira B'day Agueda & Morena Dourado	T'GIVING RIP
Sat 6 th 9.30am 6pm	Lena & Antony Calmiano Nigel Owen	RIP RIP (A)
Sun 7 th 8am 9.30am 11am	Alcan Fernandes Domingos Victor Tudor Wijeysinghe	T'GIVING RIP RIP

Sanctuary Lamp lit for Bernadette Oniawa in Thanksgiving

George Varghese

OTHER REGULAR MASSES, LITURGY

Confessions and Adoration: Saturdays 10.15pm-11.15am

Confessions: Saturday 4pm-5pm

7pm

Morning Prayer: Monday to Friday 9.10am

Rosary: Monday & Friday 10am

St Anthony Devotion: Tuesday 10am Novena to Mother of Perpetual Help: Wednesday 10am

Sacred Heart Devotion & Adoration: First Friday (10am-3pm)

Prayer & Intercessory Group: 3rd & 4th Saturday 7pm

Polish Mass: Sundays 1.00pm

Malayalam Mass: 3rd Sunday 2.30pm

Filipino Mass: 4th Saturday 3pm Nigerian Mass: 4th Sunday 2.30pm

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SATURDAY LITURGY TIMES from 1st September will

Mass

Confessions, with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by Benediction Confessions

6.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

First Holy Communion 2026 - Applications are now open for our First Holy Communion programme starting in September for those

be as follows:

10.15-11.15am

4.00 - 5.00pm

9.30am

who will be in Year 3 or above in September and attending a Catholic School. Closing date for First Holy Communion is 13th September 2025 The Walk with Jesus 2026 programme for Year 2 and above in

September for children in non-Catholic Schools. Closing date for Walk with Jesus is 14th September 2025. • Please email Cathy Early (details over the page) for an application form for either of the above Programmes. In your email please state

age of child, school year and the name of School. Thank you. Confirmation 2026 – Bookings not yet open, watch this space. RCIA & ADULT CONFIRMATIONS - The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a course offered to those in our parish who

may be considering becoming a Catholic, seeking Baptism, or Reception into the Roman Catholic Church if you are already a Christian from another denomination, or who may have missed the sacraments of First Holy Communion or Confirmation as children or teenagers. The course will run between October and April and will be held in the Parish Centre on most Tuesday evenings, 6.30pm – 8.00pm. To register or to seek further information please contact

website. Baptism The next Baptism Preparation Class is on Thursday 11th **September** 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

the parish office on feltham@rcdow.org.uk or visit the parish

to complete all the paperwork in time for your wedding. Please do not book your reception venues, etc. before first contacting the MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE - The course scheduled for Saturday 4th October IS NOW FULL. The next course is on 17th January, 2026. Please contact Florie in the Parish Office if you

would like to attend. 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.

offers, was only ever re-opened to us for the sole use of the elderly and disabled, especially those who cannot walk from Leisure West, Asda or other car parks close by, so they can still come to Mass. Everyone else was and is to use those other parking facilities. Recently, we had an incident when somebody took ill and was unable to get out as their car was

completely blocked.

PARKING – The school car park, due to the few spaces it

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM - Date: Saturday 20 September. The coach is now FULL. Thank you to all who have booked and paid. Travel and timings will be published nearer the time. STAY & PLAY TODDLER GROUP: Re-open 3rd Sept.

EARLY RISERS & TEDDS CLUB: Re-open 3rd September. FELTHAM CONNECT: Re-open 9th September.

FRIENDS CIRCLE - meet on Monday 8th September at 1230pm in the Presbytery.

MARRIAGE HELP: - Retrouvaille helps couples find hope and healing for their

marriage. Next course date: 17th-19th www.retrouvaille.org.uk Tel: 0788 7296983

- Marriage Care provides a relationship counselling service for couples when life gets tough and it is hard to find a positive solution. TEL: 0800 389 3801 www.marriagecare.org.uk/

certifying that you live within the parish boundary or that this is your regular place of worship, and certifying your Catholic Practice at Sunday Masses and Holy Days of Obligation over several years. Without this regular practice, regrettably, it is not possible for a CCP to be issued. If you have moved to

APPLICATION TO SECONDARY SCHOOL Certificate of

Catholic Practice (CCP) - To be issued with a CCP an

applicant must meet the eligibility criteria. The CCP is

the parish in the past two years, then please ask for a letter from your former Parish Priest stating your practice, to accompany your application. If you meet the criteria outlined above, please book a ten-minute appointment through Florie in parish office, in person, on the following dates, and please pick up an application pack at the same time. Again, if you meet the criteria, complete the Self-Assessment Form and the CCPs (one for each Catholic school you are applying for) in your application pack, bringing them to your meeting with Father Mike. The parish office is very busy and we ask that you only make the bookings at the times advertised below, and this must be done in person, **not** by phone or email. Parish Office Booking, dates and times: 10/9 3-3.45pm,

19/9 3-3.45pm, 22/9 8.30-9am in Church porch. Individual meetings with Father Mike, dates and times: 26/09 1-5pm; 07/10 11.30am – 3pm and 17/10 1-5pm. Cardinal Vaughan Memorial School - Our Year 7 open

evenings will be held on Thursday 11 September 2025 and Wednesday 17 September 2025 when the Headmaster will address parents and pupils at 4.30pm and again at 6.00pm. Following each speech, parents will be taken on a tour of the school. We therefore recommend you arrive in good time for either 4.30pm or 6.00pm. The online application form link for Year 7 is available on the school website <u>www.cvms.co.uk/admissions</u>

Gumley House School Open Evening is taking place on Tuesday 23rd September 2025 5-8pm. There will also be Open Mornings on Tuesday 23rd September and Thursday 25th September from 9-11am. If you would like in individual tour of the school please contact admissions admissions@gumleyhouse.com St Paul's Catholic College – Year 7 Open Morning Thursday 25th September, 2nd October and 9th October

Year 7 Open

Evening Thursday 25th September from 5.30 pm- 7.30 pm. Headteacher Evening Address at 5.45 pm and 6.30 pm Email admissions@st-pauls.surrey.sch.uk for more information. Help London's Pro-life Pregnancy Centre Stay Open -The Good Counsel Network's funds are dangerously low. If funds run out they will not be able to continue to support dozens of mothers keep a roof over their head, help with

legal, medical support, food, baby food and clothes. If you

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payable to The Guild of the Good Counsel Network and post to The Guild of the Good Counsel Network, PO BOX 46679, London NW9 8ZT

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