



SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS
Year C

1st/2nd November 2025

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS		
Sat 1 9.30am 6pm	Alice Danladi (B'day) Jennifer Coenraad	T'GIVING RIP
Sun 2 8am 9.30am 11am 7pm	ALL SAINTS DAY People of the Parish People of the Parish People of the Parish People of the Parish	INT INT INT INT
Mon 3 9.30am	HOLY SOULS Rosario & D'Silva Family Souls	RIP
Tue 4 9.30am 7pm	Helen Hurley (80 th Birthday) Caridade Hilaria Fernandes	T'GIVING INT
Wed 5 9.30am	Alex Rodrigues	RIP (10 th A)
Thur 6 9.30am	Blasé D'Costa (Birthday)	T'GIVING
Fri 7 9.30am 7pm	Souls of the Luis/Fernandes Family Caetano Pires (Birthday)	RIP T'GIVING
Sat 8 9.30am 6pm	For those in our Book of Remembrance Camilo Barreto	RIP RIP (A)
Sun 9 8am 9.30am 11am 7pm	Joaquina Deodita Dias Souls of Doherty & O'Brien Families REQUIEM – The War Dead Daire O'Gallachoir	RIP (1 st A) RIP RIP RIP (4 th A)

Sanctuary Lamp is lit in Thanksgiving for Florie Fernandes		
OTHER REGULAR MASSES, LITURGY		
Confessions and Adoration: Saturdays 10.15am-11.15am		
Confessions: Saturday 4pm-5pm		
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: Every Sunday 1.00pm		
Malayalam Mass: 3rd Sunday 2.30pm		
Filipino Mass: 4th Saturday 2.30pm		
Nigerian Mass: 4th Sunday 2.30pm		

Dear Friends,

On All Saints Day a few years ago, when I was a Children's Liturgy Leader here at St Lawrence's, I asked the children who their favourite saint was. Quite frankly, I was impressed by some of the answers I received. Some were of course saints we have all heard of but some were of saints I had never heard of. And perhaps, rather humbly I had to ask the child to tell me about their saint and how they related to their life story. And I would be the first to admit that often their understanding was greater than mine.

There are many examples of saints who at best, had a questionable early life. St Paul for example (who is one I find inspirational) had no faith and certainly he lacked the courage that St Stephen had, when he witnessed the martyrdom of Stephen.

And as we honour Paul and all the other saints today, we should hear their call to us to live their lives of holiness, courage and purity and faith. To become a saint isn't out of reach of any of us. They were ordinary human beings just like us. They had strengths and weaknesses. They experienced good thing and bad things in life I am sure in my own mind that many who had found faith, still at times struggled with their faith. But they all persevered in doing God's will to the best of their abilities. And each and everyone of us is called by God to lead similar lives to the best of our abilities.

Have a blessed week
Deacon Colin

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

Florie is away 30th October to 15th November inclusive. Cathy will assist when she can, please be patient with us.

SCRIPTURE READINGS
Today: ALL SAINTS DAY, p.194
Next week: Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, p.202

REST IN PEACE
We pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, may they rest in peace.

SAINT OF THE WEEK
Saint Charles Borromeo (1538-1584), Bishop
Feast Day: November 4th, Memorial
"Charity is that which no man is lost, and without which no man is saved"

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CATECHESIS CORNER

Beginning to explore the Sacrament of Confirmation, last week we considered the freedoms God gives us, especially the freedom to choose, with encouragement to choose ways that lead to life in God. Today, we speak of another choice in Confirmation, which is our choice to receive the sacrament, during which we profess our Catholic faith by the renewal of our baptismal promises. Our parents and godparents first made this profession on our behalf - if we were baptised as a child - and which at confirmation we then profess ourselves, having reached the age of reason, highlighting our commitment to *'assuming the role of a disciple and witness to Christ'* (CCC 1319). We profess our faith each Sunday and Solemnity, as we pray the Creed. St Augustine encourages us to *'let the Creed be like a mirror to you. Look at yourself in it to see whether you really believe all that you claim to believe. And rejoice every day in your faith'* (Youth Catechism 28, p29). Although we profess our Catholic faith often, through the Creed, confirmation is received only once - like baptism - as the sacrament *'imprints a spiritual mark or indelible character on the Christian's soul'* (CCC 1317).

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

First Holy Communion 2026 (for children) - The next class will be on **Saturday 8th November** at 9.30am.

The Walk with Jesus (for children in non Catholic Schools) - The next session is on **Sunday 9th November** after the 9.30am Mass.

Youth Confirmation 2026 - The "Getting to Know You" meetings for Parents and Candidates will now take place on **Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th November, 4.30pm-6pm**. To sign up please see Cathy after all Sunday Masses this week including Saturday 6pm.

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.

MONTH OF NOVEMBER

The Solemnity of All Saints, will be celebrated on Sunday 2nd November, the usual Saturday Vigil and Sunday schedule.

The Commemoration of Holy Souls will now be celebrated on **Monday November 3rd** at 9.30am.

November Lists are available at the back of Church to pray for your deceased loved ones. Please complete them and post them through the presbytery letterbox.

Remembrance Sunday 9th November The parade will take place at 2.45pm with a short service and placing of wreaths by local dignitaries at 3pm. Refreshments in our parish Hall afterwards.

Blessing of Graves Fr Mike, Fr Andrew and Deacon Colin will be available on **Sunday 16th November** to 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. A schedule is available on the Church porch notice board of times for other cemeteries in the Hounslow Borough. Our schedule is:

Hatton Cemetery - 1.00pm

Bedfont Cemetery - 1.30pm

Feltham Cemetery - 2.15pm

Hanworth Crematorium - 1.00pm

Borough Cemetery (Powder Mill Lane) - 1.45pm

Hounslow Cemetery - 2.15pm.

Annual Bereavement Mass will be celebrated on **Tuesday 25th November at the 7pm** as we pray for the peaceful repose of parishioners who have died over the past year, and for the comforting of their families. Please come along to offer the support of your prayers to those who are grieving.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE The next course is on 17th January, 2026. Please contact Florie in the Parish Office by email to book a place. More details on the Church notice board.

SIGNING OF CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE (CCP) FOR RECEPTION Fr Mike will see parents/guardians on Tuesday 25th November and Friday 5th December 1-4pm and Tuesday 13th January 2-5pm.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY REFRESHMENTS These will be served after the Remembrance Service on Sunday 9th November in the Parish Centre. If anyone can help with donating cakes/biscuits that would be very much appreciated. Please contact Florie or Cathy if you are able to help set up from 1.30pm then clear up from 5pm.

NATIONAL LOTTERY 'COMMUNITY FUND' Recently we submitted a capital bid for a National Lottery *'Community Fund'* grant to help us with the costs of developing a new external storage facility for our Parish Centre. This project is aimed at helping the community groups who use our Parish Centre to have adequate storage, so that their activities can grow and flourish, without the demands of transporting necessary equipment. I am delighted to inform you that our parish has been successful with the bid for this community project, awarded the maximum grant of £20,000. We thank the National Lottery *'Community Fund'* for their great generosity, and now we look forward to the progression of the project.



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC) I am delighted to announce that the newly formed St Lawrence Parish Pastoral Council, chaired by our parishioner Kieran Baker, has begun its work in assisting and developing the pastoral care for our parish. Their work will include outreach initiatives, as well as the (very important!) parish social calendar, as we come together to strengthen the foundations of our pastoral ministry at St Lawrence. Please do keep the team in your prayers and with your support, and we look forward to seeing the fruits of their labours in due course, beginning with some Christmas events.

CHRISTMAS MARKET The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) are hoping to host a parish Christmas Market on the afternoon of Sunday 30th November, between 12noon and 4pm. If you would like to own a stall at the Christmas Market, please contact [Delaney Gracias](mailto:delaney_2000@yahoo.com) on delaney_2000@yahoo.com **before the 16th November**, to discuss the opportunities. **HURRY stalls are limited to first come, first secured!** If you would like to volunteer to set up, serve and clear away at this event, please also contact [Delaney](#) as soon as possible. Parishioners please put this date in your diary and come for some festive cheer, including face painting for the children, mulled wine for the adults, and opportunities to buy your Christmas presents too!

SENIOR CITIZENS 'GOLDEN YEARS' CHRISTMAS PARTY Again, the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) hope to resurrect the St Lawrence 'Golden Years' Christmas Party, for parishioners who are 65 years and over. A Christmas lunch and party will take place in the Parish Centre on Sunday 14th December, 1pm - 4pm, with great music, wonderful food and drinks, bingo, and many other things. Tickets are free, but are limited to a maximum of 60 guests. If you would like to attend, please contact Kieran Baker on felthamppc@rcdow.org.uk to secure your tickets. **Please note you will need to have your own transport to and from the party.** If anyone would like to volunteer to help this event in terms of setting up and clearing away teams, serving teams, cooking teams etc., please contact [Kieran](#) as soon as possible.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY 25-26 October 2025

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