



**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr A**

**14th/15th February 2026**

**MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS**

<b>Sat 14</b> 9.30am 6pm	Anto Praveen & Mary Punitha (15th Wedding Anniversary) Julius & Sarah (Wedding Anniv.)	T'GIVING T'GIVING
<b>Sun 15</b> 8am 9.30am 11am 7pm	Olsen & Osbourne Fernandes Kate Dourade (Birthday) Royston Harris People of the Parish	T'GIVING T'GIVING RIP (1st A) INT
<b>Mon 16</b> 9.30am	Melanie Diniz	T'GIVING
<b>Tue 17</b> 9.30am 7pm	Zorina Gilbert (OL Valiakani) De Souza Family (Good Health)	T'GIVING INT
<b>Wed 18</b> 9.30am <b>12noon</b> <b>6.00pm</b>	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b> Nadjel Fernandes (Birthday) Deceased Furtado Family Elisa Zenshibui Cañete (B'day)	T'GIVING RIP T'GIVING
<b>Thur 19</b> <b>9.30am</b>	Filipe Dias	RIP
<b>Fri 20</b> <b>9.30am</b> <b>12.30pm</b> <b>7pm</b>	Maria De Lima <b>FUNERAL - KIKI HOCKING</b> Mary Ann Estonido Mariano	RIP (1st A) RIP T'GIVING
<b>Sat 21</b> 9.30am 6pm	Deceased Rodrigues Family Francisco & Anastacia De Araujo	RIP RIP
<b>Sun 22</b> 8am 9.30am 11am 7pm	Monica Lily Furtado (2nd B'day) James & Renosca Fernandes Jeanette (Kiki) Hocking People of the Parish	T'GIVING T'GIVING RIP INT

**Sanctuary Lamp is lit for Bukki Badejo in Thanksgiving**

**OTHER REGULAR MASSES, LITURGY**

Confessions and Adoration: Saturday 10.15am-11.15am  
Confessions: Saturday 4pm-5pm  
Morning Prayer: Monday to Friday 9.10am  
Rosary: Monday & Friday 10am; St Anthony Devotion: Tues 10am  
Novena to Mother of Perpetual Help: Wednesday 10am  
Sacred Heart Devotion First Friday 10am  
Prayer & Intercessory Group: 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday 7pm  
Polish Mass: Every Sunday 1pm; Malayalam Mass: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun 2.30pm  
Filipino Mass: 4<sup>th</sup> Sat 2.30pm; Nigerian Mass: 4<sup>th</sup> Sun 2.30pm

Dear Friends

I am sure you are all aware that this weekend marks a change of leadership in our Diocese. Cardinal Vincent will be retiring on Saturday 14th February and at the same time, our new Archbishop Richard Moth will be installed as the 12th Archbishop of Westminster at the Cathedral.

Now would be a unique time to reflect upon the leadership of Cardinal Nichols but also looking forward the leadership of Archbishop Moth as he begins his ministry here in Westminster.

The primary role of the Catholic Church in England and Wales must be the defence of social justice and the common good, that is to say the well-being of the whole of society without exception. There are many projects that have been inspired by the leadership of Cardinal Nichols, but there is one I would like to comment on, and that is the work of Bakhita House (where I believe Cardinal Nichols is simply known as Vincent) which has offered support to around 220 women and 19 babies since it opened in 2015. none of this would have been possible without a "Cardinal Nichols led" international conference on combating human trafficking.

Please remember in your prayers our new Archbishop, that under his leadership he continues to grow existing initiatives, and to shepherd new ones into life. This could mean developing the model of synodality that harnesses all the energy of the Catholic community in the cause of the common good. Richard Moth is arriving at Westminster at a vital moment, when not only our diocese, but our entire country is yearning for a unifying sense of vision and purpose, and with strong leadership, together we can become the best versions of ourselves.

Have a blessed week

**Deacon Colin**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS (Year A)**

**Today:** Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time p. 136  
**Ash Wednesday p. 147**

**Mon-Tues: Sixth week in Ordinary Time Year II**  
**Morning Prayer Week 2**

**Ash Wed-Fri: Morning Prayer - Week 4**

**Next week:** First Sunday of Lent p.151

**SAINT OF THE WEEK**

Saint Peter Damian (1007-1072)

Memorial, 21 February, Bishop & Doctor of the Church  
*"Nobody can fight properly and boldly for the faith if he clings to a fear of being stripped of earthly possessions."*

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## CATECHESIS CORNER

The Holy Spirit plays a pivotal role in the celebration of the Eucharist. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states: “The power of the words and the action of Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit, make sacramentally present under the species of bread and wine Christ’s body and blood, his sacrifice offered on the cross once for all” (CCC 1353). People may misunderstand and believe that the Eucharist is only a symbol of the body and blood of Christ. It is much more than that. Jesus is substantially present—body, blood, soul, and divinity—in Holy Communion. The Catholic Encyclopaedia states: “The Eucharist is the Real Presence of God, Jesus Christ, body and blood, under the appearances of bread and wine.” In offering the Sacrament of the Eucharist, the substance of bread and wine change into the body and blood of Christ, while the accidents (taste, appearance) remain unchanged. The Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist is the core of what the Eucharist is, in other words, its “substance.”

**PARISH YOUNG ADULTS GROUP (AGED 18-35)** St Lawrence parish is launching a brand-new Young Adults Group for those aged 18–35 who want to live their Christian faith more fully and intentionally. In a fast-paced world that often pushes Christ to the margins, this group offers a space to slow down, reflect and support one another in putting Christ at the centre of daily life. Meeting weekly, the group will include a monthly catechesis on Fridays at 7 pm, presenting the Gospel in a fresh new way. On other weeks, we will gather for 7pm Mass on Fridays, followed by an informal discussion at Wetherspoons, where we will talk honestly about our lives, faith and how we can live more faithfully for God. As Pope Leo XIV reminds us: “Aspire to great things, to holiness, wherever you are. Do not settle for less.” This group is an opportunity to build genuine community, share challenges and encourage one another because none of us is meant to journey alone. All young adults are warmly welcome, starting 6th March 2026, 7pm, in the Parish Centre.

**ALMS -APPRECIATE AND LEARN MUSIC THROUGH SINGING** - We are delighted with the initial response to the new singing group. The group meets on Monday evenings at 7pm in the Parish Centre, £5.00 per person per session. The next Meeting is on Monday, 16th February.

**ANNUAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY** - Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 23rd May 2026 at 2:30pm. The Archbishop is inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese, who are celebrating their 5th 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2026. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give your parish clergy the following details: husband and wife’s names, wedding date, full postal address and contact email (or telephone number, if no email).

**REST IN PEACE** - We pray for the repose of the souls of Esther Doris Rozario, Ann Cottis, Winnie Lawrence, Lauretta Awele Ani and Jeanette Hocking (Kiki), who have died recently. May they rest in eternal peace. Funeral details can be found on the noticeboard.

### PARISH OFFICE OPENING TIMES

**Mon, We, Thur: 10.00am–12noon & Fri: 12.30-2.30pm**  
**Tues, Sat & Sun: Office Closed**

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

7th-8th February: Loose: £1,427.21 Envelopes: £193.50  
Total: £1,620.71

**HSBC BANK ACCOUNT NAME: WRCDDT 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, Mass, etc.*

## LENT AT ST LAWRENCE’S

**ASH WEDNESDAY - 18th February: A DAY OF FAST & ABSTINENCE.** Masses with imposition of ashes at 9.30am, 12noon, 6pm and Polish 8pm. **Please do not ask for Ash to take home.**

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** - Every weekday morning starting Thursday, 21st February from 8.15am-9.00am.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** - Every Friday from 20th February after the 9.30am Mass and after the 7pm Mass.

**SMALL FAITH-SHARING GROUP** - Every Monday during Lent, starting from 23rd February there will be a small faith-sharing group in the Presbytery after the 9.30am Mass. If you would like to be a part of this group please let Florie know. It will last 45minutes to an hour. We will be following a Diocesan Lenten resource “We Dare to Ask”. This will be led by a member of the Pastoral Team.

**CAFOD FAST DAY - FRIDAY 27TH FEBRUARY** - Collection 28 February/1st March. Miriam McNeaney will give a short talk on the Fast Day Appeal after every weekend Mass on 21st/22nd February. The theme this year is “*Love your neighbour as yourself.*” Please take an envelope and return with your donation.

**CAFOD – BIG LENT WALK** - The walks will take place on the following Wednesdays in Lent at 10.30am:

*25th February Hatton Cemetery; 4th March Powder Mill Lane Cemetery; 11th March Feltham Cemetery; 18th March Hounslow Cemetery; 25th March Bedfont Cemetery and 1st April Hanworth Crematorium.*

We will start with a short prayer by the grotto then walk to the cemetery, say the rosary and walk back finishing with a prayer at the grotto. This will be followed by a simple soup lunch in the Parish Centre. If you are planning on walking please let Florie know.

**LENT PASSION PLAY- SAVE THE DATE** - To help us step into Holy Week, RISE Theatre – a Christian Theatre Company – will be performing a Lent Passion Play here at St Lawrence on **Thursday 12th March at 7.30pm** (doors will open at 7.00pm). This will be a seated performance, with no standing availability in the church. It is a free event (donations are welcome), and entry will be via a first come, first served basis. Further details will be provided in due course.

**DIOCESAN LENTEN APPEAL 2026** - “*Because we are formed in faith, we are sent in love*”. The annual appeal supports one shared mission: helping people encounter Christ and live that faith in love and service, through Education, Youth & Evangelisation, Marriage and Family Life and Social action. The Appeal is open throughout Lent.

**LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2026, FROM HEATHROW** - If you would like to go to Lourdes this year on the diocesan pilgrimage, with our new Archbishop, please give your details to the parish office ASAP. **The dates are 17th – 24th July.** This year, our parish has been offered return flights from Heathrow. The costs will be £1,216 per person, based on two sharing, including coach transfers from Toulouse Airport (our arrival airport) to Lourdes and travel insurance and pilgrimage levy. We will also undertake some fundraising in the coming months to reduce the prices. Please do not delay – register your interest today!

There will be a meeting this Sunday **15th February** at 12.15pm in the Parish Centre for all those who have expressed interest in going to Lourdes.

**SCHOOL CAR PARK AND ACCESS ROUTES** Regrettably, we are unable to use the school car park at the moment for our weekend parish Masses. We will keep you updated going forward and we apologise for the inconvenience caused.