

ST LAWRENCE  
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Twenty First Sunday of the Year– Yr A



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22nd/23rd August 2026

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

|                                        |                                                                                                                             |                               |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Sat 22<br>9.30am<br>6pm                | Johnny, Priscilla & Zara Vaz<br>Cristovao Dias                                                                              | T’GIVING<br>RIP (8th A)       |
| Sun 23<br>8am<br>9.30am<br>11am<br>7pm | Antonio, Ethne & Swizel Monteiro<br>Louise Buley-Little<br>Maria Goncalves (Birthday)<br>Mary Monica Gunapala (B’d day Rem) | RIP<br>RIP<br>T’GIVING<br>RIP |
| Mon 24<br>9.30am                       | Goncalves Family                                                                                                            | T’GIVING                      |
| Tue 25<br>9.30am<br>7pm                | Lucinda Ewing<br>Anita Calmiano (B’d day Rem)                                                                               | RIP<br>RIP                    |
| Wed 26<br>9.30am                       | Rodrigues Family                                                                                                            | T’GIVING                      |
| Thur 27<br>9.30am                      | Sebastiana Pereira & Walter Rodrigues                                                                                       | T’GIVING                      |
| Fri 28<br>9.30am<br>7pm                | Pobre Fernandes<br>Gracita Banadera Morillo                                                                                 | RIP (6 mths)<br>T’GIVING      |
| Sat 29<br>9.30am<br>6pm                | Jose Carlos<br>Sr Monica Killeen                                                                                            | GD HEALTH<br>INT              |
| Sun 30<br>8am<br>9.30am<br>11am<br>7pm | Rosa Maria Gama<br>Steffie & Chris Poole<br>Murray Family<br>People of the Parish                                           | RIP<br>T’GIVING<br>INT<br>INT |

Sanctuary Lamp is lit for the Intentions of Dominic Dieseru & Family

OTHER REGULAR MASSES, LITURGY

Confessions and Adoration: Saturday 10.15am-11.15am  
Confessions: Saturday 4pm-5pm; Morning Prayer: Mon-Fri 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  
Charismatic Prayer & Intercessory Group: 3rd & 4th Saturday 7pm  
Polish Mass: Every Sunday 1pm; Malayalam Mass: NO MASS 16/8  
Filipino Mass: 4th Sat 2.30pm; Nigerian Mass: 4th Sun 2.30pm

PARISH OFFICE OPENING TIMES

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

YOUNG PEOPLE’S SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES FOR 2026/2027.

**Walk With Jesus** is for children attending a non-Catholic school Years 2-5 in September 2026. After completing this programme they will automatically be enrolled in the First Holy Communion programme 2027/28.

Children attending a non-Catholic school in Year 6 or above should register for our First Holy Communion programme.

A reminder - Welcome Mass for Walk with Jesus is at 9.30am on Sunday 6th September followed by a meeting

**First Holy Communion** is for children attending a Catholic school Year 3 and above.

A reminder - Welcome Mass for First Holy Communion is at 9.30am on Saturday 5th September followed by a meeting.

You must register your interest to Cathy Early via email, details overleaf, stating which programme and she will send you an application form.

**Applications will close on Sunday 6th September.**

**Our Confirmation** applications will open in the autumn.

Any parent/guardian wishing to follow their child through any of the above programmes as a Catechist, please contact Cathy Early for more details.

**PARISH CELEBRATIONS — THANK YOU** It has been a joy and privilege to celebrate our parish patronal feast day with you, including our wonderful Mass, the fabulous concert with its uplifting music, and our parish party last Sunday. The feedback has been overwhelmingly positive and has recognised the hard work and dedication that members of our Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) have given throughout the year in preparing these events. My sincere thanks to them all for their unstinting commitment, and to everyone who participated, supported and encouraged us. Thank you!

SCRIPTURE READINGS (Year A)

**Today:** 21st Sunday of the Year p.120, MP Wk 1  
**Next week:** 22nd Sunday of the Year p.122, MP Wk 2

REST IN PEACE

We pray for John Patrick Weathers JP, Margaret Cortezo, June Luke (mother of Graham Baker) and Theresa Egboo (mother of Fr Peter Egboo), who died recently and those whose anniversary occurs. May they rest in eternal peace.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

**Saint Monica (331-387)**

**Feast: August 27, Patron of Mothers & Conversion**  
*“Do not be discouraged by your failures, for they are stepping stones to success.”*

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**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) 2026–2027** Are you thinking of becoming a Catholic? Are you an adult (18 years and over) who has not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation? We are now inviting enquiries for our annual RCIA programme. This is for anyone who is considering becoming a Catholic, wishes to be baptised or received into the Catholic Church, or is an adult Catholic who has not yet been confirmed. The programme begins on Tuesday 6 October 2026 and will run most Tuesday evenings from 6.30pm to 8.00pm, continuing through to Easter 2027, when we hope participants will receive the Sacraments of Initiation. RCIA offers an opportunity to explore the Catholic faith, deepen your relationship with the Lord Jesus, and prayerfully discern His call with faith, generosity, and courage. If you would like to register your interest, please email Father Mike at [michaeltmaguire@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:michaeltmaguire@rcdow.org.uk). Closing date for applications: **Sunday 27 September 2026.**

**CHARITY DAY** - We are mindful that many of our parishioners support and promote wonderful charitable causes, including CAFOD, MISSIO, the Zimbabwean Orphans project and many others. We are also conscious of the many requests we receive for additional second collections and support for charitable causes, alongside those already organised at diocesan and international level. To ensure that no one charity is given priority over another, the parish team has proposed holding one Charity Day each year. On this day, those promoting charitable causes will be invited to come together in the Parish Centre to share information and raise awareness of their work. This will allow parishioners to decide for themselves which causes they would like to support. Further details, including the date for next year's Charity Day, will follow.

**SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY** - It is important that we, as a parish family, commit ourselves to positive safeguarding and remember that safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. We are all called to look out for one another, care for one another and help keep one another safe. If you have any concerns about the safety or wellbeing of a child or vulnerable adult, please see the information displayed in the porch on the parish Safeguarding Notice Board, which explains what to do and where to seek help. If you have an immediate concern and believe that a child or vulnerable adult is at immediate risk, please contact the Police on 999. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives, Marinha and Victor, are also a valuable source of support, as are the parish clergy and team. Please do not hesitate to contact them if you have any concerns or questions.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON SAFEGUARDING TRAINING** - Fr Mike and the Parish Safeguarding Representatives (PSRs) will host a training day in the Parish Centre for adult volunteers (18 years of age and above) who have not yet completed their required safeguarding training. There will be two sessions:

- Volunteers whose role **does not** require a DBS check (Readers, EMHCs **not** taking communion to the sick, flower arrangers, welcomers, repository volunteers, etc.)
- Volunteers whose role **does** require a valid DBS check (Clergy, Catechists, EMHCs **who DO** taking communion to the sick, Employed Staff etc.)

Each session will last approximately 1½–2 hours and you need only come to either session. If you have already completed the training you do not need to come to these sessions. The date and times will be confirmed in the coming weeks. Please watch for further information.

**ALTAR CLOTHS — HELPERS REQUIRED** - If you would like to join our small team of volunteers who care for the altar cloths, please speak with our team lead, Jo Nogollos, or leave your details with the Parish Office. Your details will be passed to Jo, who will then contact you to discuss arrangements.

**VOTIVE CANDLES** We are pleased to be able to offer stands around the church for the lighting of votive candles. Of late we have noticed that more candles are being lit and are not being paid for. There is a suggested cost of 30p per candle, which helps us to provide the candles for your use. You can pay for candles using cash in the boxes on the stands or via the contactless machines, using the choice 'candles'. Also, due to Health & Safety, in line with our insurance, please do not bring and light your own candles or stack them one on top of other candles; please use only our candles provided. Please do not allow children to light candles and please do not light candles at the statue of Our blessed Mother, outside the church; that surrounding is partly made of wood. Thank You for your help in keeping our church site safe and secure.

**NEW ALTAR SERVERS** Please note that there is currently a waiting list for those wishing to become Altar Servers, although applications are very welcome. Children must have made their First Holy Communion before becoming an Altar Server. Parents and guardians can collect an application form from the Parish Office. If you have already submitted an application, there is no need to submit another form. We will be holding a training day for new servers soon, so please watch this space for further details. Please also remember that, in accordance with our safeguarding and training requirements, new servers must not simply turn up and vest. An application must first be approved and the required training completed.

**A-LEVEL, GCSE, NVQ & OTHER RESULTS** By now, your A-Level, GCSE, NVQ and other course results will be known. We hope you are pleased with your results and are able to move forward positively with your chosen next steps. We are proud of your achievements and mindful of the hard work and commitment you have given. These can be among the most challenging examinations you will ever sit. I hope you have found time to bring your results to prayer, and I encourage you always to view them through the lens of keeping your hearts open to God's will for your lives. Well done!

## PILGRIMAGES

**WALSINGHAM — 19 September** — Please contact Florie. Closing date for bookings — 30<sup>th</sup> August 2026.

**YOUNG ADULTS' PILGRIMAGE TO ROME** A special invitation to all young adults aged 18–35 who may be interested in joining our parish pilgrimage to Rome in October 2027. Before we make a provisional booking, I need to establish the level of interest and determine whether the pilgrimage is viable. If you would like to register your interest, please email Fr Mike at [michaeltmaguire@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:michaeltmaguire@rcdow.org.uk) as soon as possible. There is no obligation or commitment at this stage. Please see the proposed itinerary and estimated costs below.

**ROME PILGRIMAGE — PROPOSED ITINERARY Dates:** 11–15 October 2027, Approximate cost: £1,299 per person, based on two or three sharing. This estimate is based on a group of 20. The more people who join, the lower the individual cost is likely to be. The package includes:

- Return flights from Heathrow Airport and airport transfers in Rome
- Hotel accommodation at the Emmaus Hotel, within walking distance of Vatican City
- Breakfast and evening meals at a local restaurant
- Guided walking tours of Rome with an English- and Italian-speaking guide
- Full-day coach hire
- Visits to the four Major Basilicas: St Peter's, St Paul Outside the Walls, St John Lateran and St Mary Major, where Pope Francis is buried
- Visit to the Vatican Museums and Catacombs, including entrance fees
- Travel insurance

This represents a wonderful opportunity, and we hope to organise some fundraising to help reduce the overall cost. We will also apply for tickets to the Wednesday Papal Audience with Pope Leo.

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

**15-16 Aug: Loose £1,488.72 Env. 255.25 Total £1,743.97**

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**Account Number: 71095528 Sort Code: 40-05-20**

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