

ST LAWRENCE
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Twenty Second Sunday of the Year –
Year A

29th/30th August 2026

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Sat 29 9.30am 6pm	Jose Carlos Sr Monica Killeen	GD HEALTH INT
Sun 30 8am 9.30am 11am 7pm	Rosa Maria Gama Steffie & Chris Rosario Murray Family People of the Parish	RIP T’GIVING INT INT
Mon 31 10.00am	Joanita Gomes	RIP (10 th A)
Tue 1/9 9.30am 7pm	Renisha Fernandes Philomena Fernandes e Barreto	T’GIVING RIP
Wed 2 9.30am	Tasukirwa Garadi	RIP (A)
Thur 3 9.30am	Anna Severina Justa Araujo	RIP (13 th A)
Fri 4 9.30am 7pm	Joby Anthony & Family Antonia Carneiro/Valfrid Carneiro	T’GIVING INT
Sat 5 9.30am 6pm	Volney Pereira (Birthday) Power Family	T’GIVING INT
Sun 6 8am 9.30am 11am 7pm	Lena & Anthony Calmiano Patrick, Lilian & Edna Hanlon and Bernadette Cimpuais Couto Family Jacob Oliyil & Annamma Jacob	RIP RIP T’GIVING RIP

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: 3rd Sun 2.30pm;
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.

WALSINGHAM – 19 September – The coach is now full. The **cost is £27.00 per person, non refundable.** Please could you see Florie to **make your payment by 9th September.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS (Year A)

Today: 22nd Sunday of the Year p.122, MP Wk 2
Next week: 23rd Sunday of the Year p.125, MP Wk 3

REST IN PEACE

We pray for Vilma Patricia Taborda, 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 Gregory the Great (331-387)

Feast: September 3rd, Pope & Doctor of the Church

“One cannot truly know God without knowing oneself.”

“Humility is the foundation of all virtues.”

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

22-23 Aug: Loose £1,433.66 Env. 312.00 Total £1,745.66

HSBC BANK ACCOUNT NAME: WRC DT FELTHAM

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

Please add your Surname, First Name as a reference, to help our bookkeeper, and indicate if it is for a Donation, Baptism, Mass, etc

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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. Closing date for applications: **Sunday 27 September 2026.**

UPPER ROOM YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME The Upper Room Leadership Programme will take participants on a journey of profound discovery and formation, both practical and spiritual. Its aim is simple: to form young Catholic leaders and to give them the tools necessary to lead young people in their parishes. Over the course of a year, the young leaders will be given the necessary training for building and leading youth groups in their parishes, as well as growing in their own spiritual life. The call to leadership is an invitation to make a real difference. We warmly invite you to apply, to begin this journey of discerning what the Lord is calling you to do. You must be 18 years and over to apply. **The closing date is 16th September and the course begins on 3rd October.** Last year a parishioner complete this course, with positive feedback. For more information or to register, please use the following link: <https://youth.rcdow.org.uk/outreach/upper-room-leadership-programme/>

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** take 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.

HOUSE BLESSINGS If you require a blessing of your home, please complete a small form at the back of church marked 'House Blessing' and post it through the presbytery door, for the parish office. One of the parish clergy will then be in contact to arrange a date.

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.

PARISH REGISTRATION Whether you are new to the parish (and a warm welcome if you are!) or have been a parishioner for some time, please do ensure that you register onto our parish database. This helps us when we are asked to write letters of reference, especially confirming that you are an active member of the parish community. To register pick up a 'Welcome Pack' from the back of church and complete the relevant document inside and return it to the Parish Office. Your data will be stored securely on our parish database, according to GDPR guidelines.

MARRIAGE APPLICATION & MARRIAGE COURSE if you are planning on getting married in the parish or elsewhere, including abroad, please remember it is our task to help you complete the Marriage Application process. This process usually requires at least 6-months' notice and involves completing a marriage preparation course. We have vacancies for the next 1-day course, here in the parish, on 31st October 2026. To book a place or to arrange a meeting with one of the clergy to begin the Marriage Application process, please make an appointment through Florie, in the Parish Office.

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. Thank You for your help in keeping our church site safe and secure.

PILGRIMAGES

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 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.