

ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM

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Fourth Sunday of Easter



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20th/21st April 2024

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Protecting your Privacy:

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www.rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy

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MASS TIMES

Sunday Mass: 8.00am, 9.30am and 11.00am

Monday to Friday Mass: 9.30am; Saturday Morning: 11.00am

Saturday Morning: Confessions: 9.30am to 10.45am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,

Saturday Evening: 5.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday

Ethnic Chaplaincies: Polish Mass every Sunday 1.00pm, Ukrainian Mass 2nd Sunday 2.30pm & 4th Saturday 7.00pm; Malayalam Mass 3rd Sunday 2.30pm; Mass in Tagalog 4th Saturday 3pm; Mass led by Nigerian Chaplaincy 4th Sunday 2.30pm.

This Parish is part of Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust (WRCDT) Registered Charity No: 233699

Grace to you and peace from God, our Father, and the Lord, Jesus Christ.

One of my favourite icons is the picture of the Good Shepherd carrying the wayward sheep on his shoulders. It is hanging in our house. I also grew up hearing a children's hymn that many learned in Sunday School. In fact, when I was a kid, fussy and tired, or in need of a little comfort, my mum sang the following hymn to me:

"I am Jesus little lamb.

Ever glad at heart I am.

For my Shepherd gently guides me

Knows my need and well provides me

Loves me every day the same

Even calls me by my name."

The image of Jesus as the good shepherd might seem quaint and cute to many. Something we tell our children. It has a warm, gentle glow of safety and warmth about it. If we think we've outgrown that little song, we need to spend a little quality time with an image of Jesus the Good Shepherd. We may have grown from little lambs to big sheep, but we're just as much in need of a shepherd. This is more than a nice little figure of speech for the children. It's a solemn revelation of who Jesus is, he is the Shepherd, a Shepherd of life.

Wow, what a picture, what a promise, what a purpose. Think about it. Why did Jesus come? Now, there are all kinds of answers that we see in scripture. Ultimately, he came to save us from our sin, to reconcile us to God, to glorify the Father through his obedience. We could go on and on and on through the scripture answering, "why did Jesus come?" Here, In John10, verse 10, we see this answer. "I came that they may have life and have it abundantly". Why did Jesus come? He came so that I can have abundant life.

Jesus has laid down his life for the sheep and as a result we are given abundant life in him.

God, help us to trust in Jesus, to follow Jesus wholeheartedly today, to love you. Oh God, with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength because we know, that this is where life is found. God, we want to experience that life today, so help us to walk in obedience to your commands today, and to experience all that you've designed for our lives today. In Jesus name, we pray. Amen.

Have a blessed week.

Deacon Rolly

PRIEST TRAINING FUND

This Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday and our second collection will support the Priest Training Fund. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently 49 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 13 of whom are from our own Diocese. We also have one seminarian in Valladolid and one at the Beda, presently on pastoral placement in Ruislip. There are also two on a propaedeutic year at Redemptoris Mater. Last year 3 deacons were ordained for Westminster Diocese. The Priest Training Fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your gift ensures we can provide training for these men responding to Christ's call to dedicate their lives to serve God's people. Please be as generous as you can. Please also pray for vocations and for all our priests. If you do not have a donation envelope, plenty are still available at the back of the church. You can use the QR code to make your donation online or visit www.rcdow.org.uk/donations. Thank you for your generosity date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email).

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

WALK WITH JESUS (SUNDAY SCHOOL)

The next sessions will be on **Sunday 5th, 12th & 19th May** after the 9.30am Mass. **There is no session on Sunday 21st April.**

CONFIRMATION

Retreat Days on **Sunday 21st April (Group 1) and Sunday 28th April (Group 2)** in the Parish Centre. Please attend the 11am Mass.

SR KATHERINE O'REILLY RIP

It is with great sadness that we learnt of the death of Sr Katherine O'Reilly on 12 April. Sr Katherine was very involved in the life of this parish during her time here, setting up prayer groups, faith sharing groups, catechesis, mentoring, more importantly - diligently visiting the sick in their homes or in local care homes every week, providing a good listening ear when needed and much more. She will be dearly missed.

Sr Katherine also served as Parish Sister at Our Lady and St Christopher in Cranford for over 10 years from the mid 1990's.

Eternal rest grant unto the soul of our dear Sr Katherine, O Lord and may your perpetual light shine on her always. May she rest in peace.

Father in heaven please hold Sr Nora, Sr Monica, Sr Katherine's family and, all who mourn her, close to your consoling heart at this difficult time.

ST LAWRENCE'S SCHOOL PARKING & ACCESS

The Diocese and DHP start work at school on **29th April** to improve the classrooms. The work will be carried out in three continuous phases. The contractor will have a compound by the gates to the church/school. The gates will not be able to be opened for Church from **29th April until September**. The school car park may be open but access to and from Church would be via Victoria Road and then by the path by the pond.

The Church car park is for Disabled drivers with a valid badge and for drop off only.

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Sr Katherine O'Reilly RIP, Brian Terry Murphy RIP, William Egglestone RIP, Jean Harvey RIP, Mary Anne Francis RIP, Joan Ngozi Nduba RIP, Sheila Ann (Pam) O'Connor RIP, Marian Ranialli RIP and Harry Baker RIP**

Joan Ngozi Nduba RIP – Her Requiem Mass will take place here on **Monday 22nd April at 11am** followed by burial at Bedfont Cemetery at 12.30pm.

Mary Anne Francis RIP – Her Requiem Mass will take place here on **Wednesday 24th April at 11am** followed by committal at Hanworth Crematorium at 12.40pm.

Please keep in your prayers their families and all who mourn them.

SPECIAL MASS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

The next Mass will be on **Sunday 5th May at 2.30pm** in the Parish Centre followed by a tea party. If you require a lift please speak to Fr John.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 20	9.30am-10.45am 11.00am 5.00pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession Cristomo Magduza, Aurelia, Emilio, Hermino Percho RIP Eileen O'Connor RIP
✕ Sun 21	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 1.00pm 2.30pm	Fernandes & Dias Family – Good Health Deceased souls of the Alphonso Family RIP Joan O'Connor RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw) Mass in Malayalam
Mon 22	9.30am 11.00am	Anthony Mascarenhas RIP (Anniversary) REQUIEM MASS - JOAN NGOZI NDUBA RIP
Tues 23	9.30am	Harry Haldane RIP
Wed 24	9.30am 11.00am	Maria Puspam & Saverimuttu RIP REQUIEM MASS – MARY ANNE FRANCIS RIP
Thurs 25	9.30am	David Carvalho RIP
Fri 26	9.30am	Victoria Carbungco RIP
Sat 27	9.30am-10.45am 11.00am 3.00pm 5.00pm 7.00pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession Sr Monica Killeen (Intention) Mass in Tagalog Souls of the Fernandes & Ribeiro Families RIP Mass in Ukrainian
✕ Sun 28	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 1.00pm 2.30pm	Fr Gerry Burke RIP Patricia Soares-Arakaki RIP (Birthday Remembrance) Rod Moore-Saxton in Thanksgiving – 84 th Birthday Mass in Polish (Msza sw) Nigerian Chaplaincy Mass
Sanctuary Lamp: Fatima & Alcan Fernandes (Intention)		

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

13-14 April: Loose: £1,318.86 Envelopes £261.07
Easter: £40.00 **Total: £1619.93** Lenten Walk: £136.33
Standing Orders/Online Donations March: £
Dona Offertory March: £

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HSBC Bank: WRCDT Feltham Sort code: 40-05-20 – Acc. No: 71095528

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



PARKING IN CHURCH

Please remember:

The Church car park is for Disabled Parishioners who have a valid Blue Badge clearly displayed. Access for drop off and collections only for everyone else.

Do not attempt to open the barrier, you are not authorised to open it.

-The school car park will be open at the weekend but once it is full, the barrier will come down. -Please park sensibly and responsibly.

The Green is a private road and you cannot park along there.

EASTER HAMPER RAFFLE

Winning ticket: **Light Blue ticket no. 83 Serial No. AB163958.**

TCS LONDON MARATHON – KIERAN BAKER

Dear Parishioners, friends. On **Sunday 21 April**, I will be running the London Marathon on behalf of The Passage, a charity working to help those who are homeless get off the streets, and support those who are at risk of becoming homeless. The patron of the charity is His Eminence Cardinal Vincent Nicholas and supported by the diocese. If you are able to support with a donation, and please know that any amount is not too small, will be deeply appreciated. It will go towards helping some of the most vulnerable in our society. Homelessness is becoming an ever-increasing problem, which I see often as I travel to London regularly. You can donate by scanning the QR code on the newsletter or on a poster in the porch or by heading to www.shorturl.at/uyEG8. With heartfelt thanks, God bless you, Kieran Baker

