

This week at St Lawrence's



10th/11th August 2013

Nineteenth Sunday of the Year
(Missal Page 121 – YEAR C)



Wisdom 18:6-9; Psalm 32; Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19; Luke 12:32-48
Twentieth Sunday of the Year (Missal Page 124): Jeremiah 38:4-6; 8-10; Psalm 39;
Hebrews 12:1-4; Luke 12:49-53

As we celebrate St Lawrence's Day this weekend, we think about the mural in our Church and what it tells us about our Patron Saint:

The mural on the sanctuary wall tells the story of St Lawrence, who was leader of the seven deacons of the congregation at Rome, the seven men who, like Stephen and his companions (Acts 6:1-6), were in charge of administering the church budget, particularly with regard to the care of the poor.

In 257, the emperor Valerian began a persecution aimed mainly at the clergy and the laity of the upper classes. All Church property was confiscated and meetings of Christians were forbidden. The bishop of Rome, Sixtus II, and most of his clergy were executed on 7th August 258; Lawrence was put to death on the 10th. Much of this is known from the near-contemporary records of the Church.

Other accounts go on to say that the Roman prefect, knowing that Lawrence was the principal financial officer, promised to set him free if he would surrender the wealth of the Church. Lawrence agreed, but said that it would take him three days to gather it. During those three days, he placed all the money at his disposal in the hands of trustworthy stewards, and then assembled the sick, the elderly, the poor, the widows and orphans of the congregation, presented them to the prefect, and said, 'These are the treasures of the Church.' The enraged prefect ordered him to be roasted alive on a gridiron. The courageous way in which Lawrence bore the torture made an enormous impression on the people of Rome, and made many converts, while greatly reducing among pagans the belief that Christianity was a socially undesirable movement that should be stamped out.

*St Lawrence, pray for us
that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.*

Sunday Mass Times

Saturday 6 pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 9 am, 11 am & 6 pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) - Saturday 11am & 5pm

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SACRAMENTS

WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS

We offer our warmest congratulations to Joe Quincey and Lucy Shurey who were married on Friday and Kamil Pawelec and Sandra Garcia Cortijas who celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage this weekend and to Paul Brady and Elise Sullivan who celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage during the week.

CONFIRMATION

If you are in Year 9 or above and would like to be prepared to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2014 please register with Bridget Brinkley at one of the following times.

Tuesday 3rd, Thursday 5th September – 4.30pm to 6.30pm

Tuesday 10th, Thursday 12th September – 4.30pm to 6.30pm

Please come to the Church where you will be asked to complete a registration form.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

If you, or someone you know, would like to find out more about the Catholic faith or you would like to prepare to receive the Sacraments you missed as a child, please contact Bridget Brinkley at the parish office or by email bridgetbrinkley@rcdow.org.uk.

PARISH NOTICES

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Mass will be celebrated on Thursday 15th August at 9.30am, 12.15pm and 7.30pm.

ST LAWRENCE'S PRAYER GROUP

The Prayer Group will be taking a break for the summer during the month of August.

WHAT'S COMING UP IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS

September

Sunday 22nd – CAFOD Cake and Coffee morning after 9am & 11am Masses

Saturday 28th – Mass of Healing, 12 noon

Sunday 29th – Fr Fortunato's welcome party, 12 noon

October

Saturday 5th – Tribute Band, 7.00pm

Saturday 12th – Day of Prayer, 10.30am to 2.30pm (CAFOD Soup Lunch available)

November

Sunday 3rd – LIFE Coffee Morning (45th anniversary) after 8am & 11am Masses

Sunday 3rd – Blessing of Graves

Saturday 9th – New Parishioners' Mass, 6pm

Sunday 17th – Mass for the Bereaved, 6pm

Sunday 24th – Youth Mass, 6pm (Year of Faith ends)

Saturday 30th – Advent Day of Prayer, 10.30am-2.30pm

December

Sunday 1st – Christingle Workshop, 2.30pm

Friday 6th – RAFA Band Christmas Concert for all the family, 7.30pm

Sunday 8th – LIFE Annual Mince Pie sale after 9am & 11am Masses

Sunday 15th – Lodge Brothers Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving, 3pm

THANK YOU

DAY FOR LIFE

Thank you for your generosity last weekend, the amount collected was £400.23.

CAFOD

1. The CAFOD First Friday Coffee morning raised £112.57, which included a donation of £90.00.
2. We received a thank you from CAFOD for the £850.00 that was sent to them recently. The money will be used to support communities in remote areas that face severe shortages of food and water.

OTHER

FR ALEXANDER SHERBROOKE

"The parish of St Patrick's Roman Catholic Church, Soho Square, will be celebrating the 25th anniversary of the ordination of Fr Alexander Sherbrooke on **Wednesday 4 September**, with Holy Mass at 6 pm, followed by refreshments. One of Fr Alexander's previous appointments, before he took over responsibility for St Patrick's, in 2001, was serving in the parish of St Lawrence's, as a chaplain at Feltham, so we would like to warmly invite everyone who remembers him from his time among you to join in our special celebration. If anyone wishing to attend could RSVP via our parish office (tel. 020 7437 2010; email info@stpatricksoho.org), we would be very grateful!"

KINGDOM COME @ WALSINGHAM/YOUTH 2000

At the Roman Catholic Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham Norfolk NR22 6AL from **Thursday 22nd August to Monday 26th August**. Get ready for Kingdom Come @ Walsingham - a fresh experience of faith and friendship at the biggest Catholic Youth Festival in the UK. Sunshine, Tents, Adoration, Worship, Engaging talks, Silence, Saints, Workshops, Sports and more. Join over 1000 young adults (16-35) to experience the love and power of God in your love, as we pray: *Your will be done God!* There will be separate accommodation for men and women, just bring a sleeping bag or roll mat and wash kit or bring your own tent and camp. Cost: suggested donation of £100 per person to cover the cost of the retreat (this includes all meals/refreshments, accommodation, a small donation is offered to speakers and workshop leaders, equipment, insurance and resources). For more information contact the Youth National Office on 020 7221 2124 or info@youth2000.org or visit www.youth2000.org. Seats are available on a coach from Euston to Walsingham via the Westminster Youth Ministry. Please contact alexandramills@rcdow.org.uk for details.

TRANSFIGURED IN CHRIST

Exploring Monastic Theology – Retreat for Young Adults at Worth Abbey Benedictine Monastery from **28th August – 1st September**. Four days of study, prayer and community alongside the monks of Worth Abbey and members of The Wellspring Community. With talks and study, structured around participation in the monastic rhythm of prayer, and space for reflection in the beautiful surroundings of Worth Abbey. For more information, see the poster on the notice board or visit www.wellspringbrighton.org.uk

BOOKS FOR CHARITY

If you would like to donate books to a charity, leave them at the back of the Church with my name on them (Chris Holland) and I will take them to the Fara Charity book shop in Teddington.

PILGRIMAGES

DOWRY OF MARY PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM - Sunday 8th September.

NO SEATS LEFT!!

There are eight people who have signed up but not yet paid. If payment is not received by Monday 19th August, the seats will be released to those on the waiting list.

DIVINE MERCY PILGRIMAGE TO AYLESFORD

Divine Mercy Apostolate run by Marian Fathers is organising a pilgrimage to Aylesford on Bank Holiday **Monday, 26th of August 2013**. Venue: The Friars, Aylesford Priory, ME20 7BX; Time: 10.30am-4.30pm; Main celebrant: Bishop Patrick Lynch, Auxiliary Bishop of Southwark. Coaches from Westminster Cathedral and Ealing Broadway. See poster on notice board for details.

PILGRIMAGE OF FAMILIES TO THE TOMB OF PETER FOR THE YEAR OF FAITH

Pope Francis invites families to experience the joy of Faith by joining him on a pilgrimage to the Tomb of Peter in Rome from **26 to 27 October 2013**. For further information visit www.family.va or email roma2013@family.va.

Mass intentions and other services this week:

Saturday 10th ST LAWRENCE	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
	11.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	11.45	Benediction	
	12.00	Nora & William Holland RIP	
	14.00	Wedding of Kamil Pawelec and Sandra Garcia-Cortijas	
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
+ First Mass of Sunday	18.00	Peter Boyle in Thanksgiving (Birthday)	
+ Sunday 11th 19 th Sunday of the Year	09.00	Henry & Carmen Navarro in Thanksgiving 50th Wedding Anniversary	
	11.00	Patrick Maple (Intention)	
	13.00	Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)	
	18.00	People of the Parish	
Monday 12th Feria	09.15	Morning Prayer	
	09.30	Paul Forsdick RIP	
Tuesday 13th Feria	09.15	Morning Prayer	
	09.30	Margaret Harries RIP	
	10.00	Novena to Our Lady	
Wednesday 14th St Maximilian Kolbe	09.15	Morning Prayer	
	09.30	Tony Walsh RIP (A)	
Thursday 15th THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	09.15	Morning Prayer	
	09.30	Fr Chris Vipers (Intention)	
	12.15	Elizabeth Elias RIP	
	19.30	Celebrant's Intention	
Friday 16th Feria	09.15	Morning Prayer	
	09.30	Mervyn Rosario in Thanksgiving	
	13.30	Wedding of Paul Brady and Elise Sullivan	
Saturday 17th Feria	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
	11.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	11.45	Benediction	
	12.00	Intentions of the Rodrigues Family	
	14.00	Wedding of William O'Reilly and Emma Potts	
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	+ First Mass of Sunday	18.00	People of the Parish
	+ Sunday 18th 20 th Sunday of the Year	09.00	Intentions of the Rodrigues Family
	11.00	Danladi Family in Thanksgiving	
	13.00	Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)	
	18.00	Sidney Brown Senior RIP	

Sanctuary Lamp: Haldane Family Intentions

Thank you for your generosity in last week's Offertory Collection:

3rd/4th Aug: Envelopes £1225.85, Loose £590.10, Standing Orders £420.00 Total: £2235.95

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