

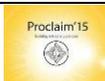
This week at St Lawrence's



16th/17th July 2016

Sixteenth Sunday of the Year
(Missal Page 111 – YEAR C Vol. 2)

Genesis 18:1-10; Psalm 14; Colossians 1:24-28; Luke 10:38-42
Next week: 17th Sunday of the Year (Missal Page 114); Genesis 18:20-32; Psalm 137;
Colossians 2:12-14; Luke 11:1-13



Dear Friends,

This summer, twelve of us from St Lawrence's have answered the invitation from Pope Francis to join him in Poland for World Youth Day. On Monday we will be leaving London by coach, together with two hundred others from around the Diocese, and making our way to join the million or more other young Catholics from across the world for this grand festival of faith. I have taken groups to a number of World Youth Days over the years – Rome in 2000, Toronto in 2002, Cologne in 2005, Sydney in 2008, Madrid in 2010 – and I'm more and more convinced of the power and potential of these moments to inspire our young people, to call them to greatness, to confirm them in their faith and to give them an experience of this great and universal Church we belong to, gathered around our Pope, and then sent back home to be missionaries of the love and mercy and majesty of our God.

The theme that Pope Francis has given us this year is straight from the Gospel of St Matthew, Chapter 5 verse 7: *"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy"*. This is a challenging theme but a beautiful and transforming invitation to reflect on how we both give and receive mercy in our lives. Our pilgrimage will include a visit to the Shrine of the Divine Mercy just outside Krakow, and I'll be praying for you all there, that Divine Mercy will touch you.

In the meantime, pray for all our young pilgrims – Rebecca, Tanya, Josh, Dominic, Reeve, Clayton, Darren, David, Thang, Lloyd, and Tanya and myself as group leaders – and ask that this World Youth Day will be a time of real blessing and the start of something beautiful in our lives.

With my love and prayers.

Fr Chris

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS

We offer a warm welcome to Evelyn Grace Fortune, Aurelia Ivy O'Connell and Janella Santhiyago Jayaselan who will be baptised this weekend and extend our warmest congratulations to their families.

PARISH NOTICES

FR EPIPHANY

We welcome Fr Epiphany Picho from Uganda who will be celebrating Mass whilst Fr Chris is in Krakow. Fr Epiphany will be staying with his niece Catherine during his visit to Feltham.

PLANT SALE

Marinha would like to thank all those who supported the Plant sale last weekend. A sum of £62.55 was raised for the Parish Centre.

UCM

The UCM Garden Party takes place on **Monday 18th July** at 7.30pm.

MASS IN TAGALOG FOR THE FILIPINO COMMUNITY

There will be a Mass in Tagalog on Saturday 23rd July at 3pm. All welcome

MASS LED BY THE AFRICAN COMMUNITY

There will be Mass led by the African Community on Sunday 24th July at 2.30pm. All welcome.

A LITTLE APPEAL FROM FR CHRIS

Any men in the parish who might be able to assist at funerals, setting up and serving. This might suit those who are retired, or otherwise have time on their hands. Please speak to Fr Chris if you are interested.

PARISH PILGRIMAGES – FINAL REMINDERS

WORLD YOUTH DAY – KRAKOW JULY 2016

As mentioned on the front of the newsletter, Fr Chris will be leading a group of St Lawrence's Youth to Krakow on Monday 18th July for the World Youth Day celebrations with Pope Francis. Please keep them in your prayers for a safe journey there and back.

All those going please meet at **6.45am at Feltham Station**.

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

A group of pilgrims led by Fr Peter Sharp will be setting off for Lourdes on Saturday 23rd July. Please keep them in your prayers for a safe journey there and back. All parishioners, especially our sick and housebound will be prayed for at Our Lady's Grotto.

Anyone wanting to send a prayer request to be placed at the Grotto in Lourdes, please hand in your envelope (no money please) to the Parish Office by **Thursday 21st July**

The coach will be departing from **Browells Lane** at **5.00am** on **Saturday 23rd July**. All those going to Lourdes **please be here by 4.30am** so that we can load the coach and leave promptly, making good time to get our ferry crossing. The reason for the early departure is due to extra security checks at Dover. You should have all received your travel pack from Tangney. Any queries please contact Florie in the Parish Office.

ST LAWRENCE 2016 PILGRIMAGE TO ROME - YEAR OF MERCY

A reminder to all those booked to go to Rome in October. The final balance must be received by Pax Travel at the latest by the **10th August 2016**. Pax will not be sending them a reminder. Please note that Pax Travel have moved and their new address is: **Pax Travel Ltd**, Second Floor, 102 Blundell Street, London, N7 9BL Tel: 0207 485 3003 | Fax: 0207 485 3006

**** A BIG ANNOUNCEMENT! ****

Everyone is invited to the Solemn Blessing and Grand Opening of our new Parish Centre by Cardinal Cormac Murphy O'Connor on **Saturday 10th September** at 12noon, starting with a Mass of Thanksgiving in Church and then the ceremony and a reception. Put this date in your diary today.

CELEBRATION BRICKS

Last week we launched a new initiative of fundraising for the Parish Centre – “Buy a Brick”. The initial response was amazing. ‘Celebration Bricks’ can celebrate a birth, marriage, life of a dear one, an achievement, a blessing or simply YOU or your family leaving a legacy of your connection with this community. There are two options available:

Option 1 – single brick, two lines per brick – 16 characters per line - £50.00 a brick.

Option 2 – double brick, four lines per brick – 16 characters per line - £100.00 a brick.

See samples of the brick tile at the back of Church. Pink leaflets with detailed information including an order form are available at the back of Church

OTHER

MEDAILLE TRUST

We welcome a representative from the Medaille Trust who will be appealing at all Masses this weekend. The Medaille Trust is a charity founded by groups of Religious congregations in 2006 to work against the evils of human trafficking in response to the plight of thousands of people who are being trafficked into the UK each year. The Trust has been a significant provider of support and safe house provision for the victims of human trafficking since then and continues to deliver outstanding care ten years on. The primary mission of The Medaille Trust is the empowerment of women, men and children, who have been freed from the human-trafficking and the modern day slavery industry in the UK, enabling them to regain their dignity and self-worth. We do this by providing safe housing and offering opportunities for physical and psychological healing, rehabilitation and protection to the victims in our care.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED - 10K SPONSORSHIP

“A huge thank you to all who so kindly sponsored my run for ACN in the British Vitality 10k through central London last Sunday (did it in 65 mins). The total raised is a fantastic £683.00 Please drop in your sponsorship monies asap to the parish office - envelopes for this are on the porch table, along with race photos. *Helen McIlldowie-Jenkins*”

MASS FOR WORKERS AND VOLUNTEERS

As part of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy, His Eminence the Cardinal Vincent Nichols will be celebrating a Mass for Workers and Volunteers on **Saturday 10 September** at 2.00pm at Westminster Cathedral. Everyone is welcome and the mass will be signed for those with hearing difficulties. See notice board for further details.

A SPECIAL KIND OF RETREAT...

A Foyer de Charité Retreat will be held at St. Joseph's, Ashurst, in the New Forest near Southampton, from **Sunday 2 Oct. (6pm) – Saturday 8 Oct. (2pm)**. The theme is **God's Plan for the Fullness of Time**, and the preacher will be Mgr. Keith Barltrop, with help from Foyer members and past retreatants. Foyer retreats are held mainly in silence, with three talks a day, and offer a holistic way of deepening our faith in the Church's teaching and our life in Christ. The Foyers are communities of consecrated lay people living with a priest in order to help others grow closer to Christ and live the Catholic faith more fully. For further information or to book a place, contact Mgr. Barltrop: keithbarltrop@rcdow.org.uk; 07879 953953; St. Mary of the Angels, Moorhouse Road, Bayswater, London W2

A NEW WAY TO SUPPORT THE PARISH

Text Giving through your mobile phone! Safe, Easy, Anytime –

No Sign-up or Follow-up

Text to: 70800 PARISH FELTHAM

**Perfect for visitors, those who carry no cash and those who give “Loose Coins”, or parishioners who just want to add an offering.
(new leaflets available at the back of Church)**

Mass intentions and other services this week:

Saturday 16th <i>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</i>	11.00 -11.30 12.00 16.00 17.00 18.00	No Exposition Sacrament of Reconciliation First Holy Communion Thanksgiving Mass Baptisms of Evelyn Grace Fortune, Aurelia Ivy O'Connell and Janella Santhiyago Jayaselan Sacrament of Reconciliation Deceased members of the O'Hanlon Family RIP
+ Sunday 17th <i>Sixteenth Sunday of the Year</i>	09.00 11.00 13.00 18.00	Florencio Jose Noronha RIP Eamon O'Brien RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) People of the Parish
Monday 18th <i>Feria</i>	09.15 09.30	Morning Prayer Johnnie Conley RIP
Tuesday 19th <i>Feria</i>	09.15 09.30 10.00	Morning Prayer For the intentions of the Staff and Residents at Derwent Lodge <i>Novena to Our Lady</i>
Wednesday 20th <i>Feria</i>	09.15 09.30	Morning Prayer Martin Garvin RIP
Thursday 21st <i>Feria</i>	09.15 09.30	Morning Prayer Celebrant's Intention
Friday 22nd <i>St Mary Magdalene</i>	09.15 09.30	Morning Prayer Tony Macken RIP
Saturday 23rd <i>ST BRIDGET</i>	11.00 11.00 -11.30 11.45 12.00 15.00 17.00 18.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sacrament of Reconciliation Benediction For the intention of Gerry Ward Mass in Tagalog for the Filipino Community Sacrament of Reconciliation Esther Bray RIP (Anniversary)
+ Sunday 24th <i>Seventeenth Sunday of the Year</i>	09.00 11.00 13.00 18.00	Deceased members of the D'Souza Family RIP People of the Parish Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) Lancelot Potts RIP

Sanctuary Lamp: Derrick Juriansz RIP

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

9th/10th: Envelopes: £1,331.60 Loose: £812.33 Standing Orders: £538.00 **Total: £2,681.93**

PARISH CENTRE UPDATE: MONEY BANKED AS AT 11/7/2016 - £75,369.74

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**Sunday Mass Times: Saturday 6 pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 9 am, 11 am, 1pm (Polish) & 6 pm;
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) - Saturday 11am & 5pm**