

ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

17th/18th July 2021

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year B, Volume 2: Jeremiah 23:1-6; Psalm 22; Ephesians 2:13-18; Mark 6:30-34
Next Week: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time: 2 Kings 4:42-44; Psalm 144; Ephesians 4:1-6; Mark 6:1-15



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Protecting your Privacy:

In compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) which became effective in May 2018, the Parish requires your permission to hold your data for Parish/Diocesan use. You can read our full privacy policy on www.rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy

MASS INTENTIONS

If you wish to offer a Mass intention, please call Florie or visit the office on a Monday or Thursday 9.30am-12.30pm



Mass and other liturgies live streamed from Westminster Cathedral and other parishes are available at www.churchservices.tv

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THANKS TO FR. JOHN LOUIS

In today's Gospel Jesus shows his human compassion for his disciples. They have been busy teaching and healing in his name. Now they return to Jesus, tired and hungry.

Jesus gathers them into a boat, to find a quiet place for them to rest, but when the crowds of people find them, it is Jesus the Teacher who ministers to them. He shows great compassion and is concerned for their needs, both spiritual and physical. They are like sheep without a shepherd.

In his compassion, Jesus seems to recognise that, in each one of us we have our own set of abilities, needs and expectations. We can all come together in peace – a peace that can only be found in Jesus. Alone we can do nothing, but with Jesus and the Holy Spirit all things become possible. Trust and pray.

Fr. John Louis will be leaving Feltham in September for pastures new. He will become parish priest of Kensal Rise, North West London. I would like to thank him for all that he has done at St. Lawrence's during his 2 years with us. He has shown great dedication in his ministry.

We wish him all God's blessings for the future, and may Jesus, the Good Shepherd inspire him in his future ministry.

FR. JOHN

Moving On...

As you will have seen from Fr John's piece above, there are to be some clergy changes this summer. The Cardinal has asked me to go the Parish of the Transfiguration in Kensal Rise from September where I am to be the Parish Priest.

This news came as a complete surprise and I am deeply humbled by the Cardinal's confidence in me. I am very grateful to everyone here at St Lawrence's, especially Fr John and the Parish Team, for having given me the opportunity to learn and experience so much.

However, it is from you, the people of the parish, from whom I have been given and learned, so much. It has been a joy and a privilege to be among you for these past two years and to have met so many wonderful people. We have lived through some of the most mysterious times in recent history, during which your support and encouragement has been a real blessing. May God bless you all and let's pray for each other.

Fr John Louis

REMINDER: Please remember to leave the Church promptly at the end of Mass. You should not mix outside church and you are encouraged to go straight home after Mass, even though some restrictions have been lifted. The Variant is still around and cases rising, so we have to take extra care. Please have the vaccine if you have not yet done so and avail yourselves to the tests.

Motivation for Mark 6:30-34

The demands of life now lockdown is easing are going to be attracting our attention. Are we going to succumb to the "urgent" demands?

Perhaps you may have enjoyed the peaceful and quiet months of lockdown and are reluctant to engage with the busyness of your old way of life.

Either way we are invited by the Lord to open our hearts. To let go of self and place our lives, our future, our destiny into the Lord's hands. Uncomfortable and scary as this may be, the Lord will accompany us in the journey to abandon ourselves to the will of his father. Listen for the sound of his voice and he will lead you. Trust in him.

Bidding Prayers for the week:

We turn to God our Father for guidance in our hope of becoming more like his Son:

Let us pray for Pope Francis: may he have a quick recovery following his recent surgery.

Let us pray for our government and all decision-makers regarding the relaxation of Covid-related limits. May their plans be governed by wisdom and sensitivity to the needs of the people they serve.

We pray for the.

We pray for all those who are enslaved in so many different ways throughout our world: may we work ceaselessly for their freedom and well-being.

Let us pray for all school leavers, graduates and young people entering the workforce for the first time: may they find the support and encouragement they need in order to make a happy start on such an important step on their journey through life.

For people who are sick and feel they are a burden, for all who are in hospital and residential care, for those suffering with Covid-19, and for all those who love and care for them.

For all the faithful departed: that they may find rest for their souls and be led rejoicing through the gates of paradise.

God our Father, hear our prayers. May you fill our every thought, word and action with your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Dear Friends

Our parishioner's response to our appeal to help with our parish funds by paying through standing order, cash or cheque has been tremendous – **THANK YOU!** You can also use the contactless machine in Church. For those who would like to take advantage of the standing order facility we have in place, our parish bank details are:

HSBC Bank: WRCDT Feltham

Sort code: **40-05-20** – Account No: **71095528**

Thank you for your continued generosity.

FR. JOHN AND FR. JOHN LOUIS

OPEN EVENTS – ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE, SUNBURY

For admission to Year 7 in 2022 – **Thursday 23rd September 2021**

For admission to St Paul's Sixth Form (Year 12) in 2022 – **Wednesday 29th September 2021.** Further information to follow.

DAY BY DAY BOOKLETS

We have received copies of Day by Day for July. These are available at the back of Church at £1.00 per copy.

ST LAWRENCE'S SCHOOL FOOD BANK

With summer holidays approaching, the food bank requires the following: tinned food (tomatoes, chickpeas, kidney beans), toiletries (including nappies, toilet paper), cleaning products, washing detergent, breakfast bars, crisps, cereal, squash, orange juice, etc. **NO PASTA OR RICE** please. Supermarket gift cards are also acceptable to allow families to buy fresh produce. Kindly put your donations in the food collection box in the porch and these will be handed to the school. *Thank you – Roby, Sharyn, Jo, Bridget.*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021/22

Parents of Year 3 children and above who wish to enrol them for the First Holy Communion Programme can do so by emailing theresaferandes@aol.com requesting an enrolment form.

This year the First Holy Communion programme will be prepared at St. Lawrence's but please be aware that if COVID guidelines are in place then classes will be via ZOOM meetings.

VIRTUAL TOUR OF THE SANCTUARY OF LOURDES

Whilst we cannot travel to Lourdes, Lisa and Lina from Tangney Tours have prepared a virtual tour of the Sanctuary of Lourdes. Over the coming weeks we will be able releasing a number of short videos giving you virtual access to the Sanctuary of Lourdes. This will be published every Tuesday and Friday at 13.45hrs following by the live Rosary from the Grotto. Join us on Facebook [facebook.com/tangneytours](https://www.facebook.com/tangneytours)

MARRIAGE CARE

<https://www.marriagecare.org.uk/> founded in the Diocese of Westminster, Marriage Care provides a donation only counselling service for couples.

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Mark Gilmore, William Joseph Gray and Sheila Grimshaw** and all those who have passed away recently. Please also keep in your prayers their families and friends who mourn them.

Please note that the family and friends of the deceased take precedence for seats in Church.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine on them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 17	11am 5pm	Joazinho & Alexa Cardozo RIP Victoria D'Souza – Good Health
Sun 18	9am 9am 11am 11am	Fr Rufus Pereira RIP [C] People of the Parish [PC] Deceased members of the Michalak and Kalinowski families RIP [C] People of the Parish [PC]
Mon 19	11am	Ermigil Fernandes RIP
Tues 20	11am	Laurenco Vaz RIP
Wed 21	11am	Rogério M Fernandes RIP
Thurs 22	11am	Savio Roy Fernandes RIP
Fri 23	11am	Ortensia Pereira RIP
Sat 24	11am 5pm	John Hourihan RIP Francisco Mendonca RIP
Sun 25	9am 9am 11am 11am	Corazon Carbungco RIP [C] People of the Parish [PC] Sylvia Scholtysik (Intentions & Good Health) [C] People of the Parish [PC]
		Sanctuary Lamp: Joseph Steer RIP

Prayer for the Year of St Joseph



*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To You God entrusted his only Son;
in You Mary placed her trust;
with You Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph to us too, show yourself as Father
and guide us on the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*

MASSES TIMES

- Saturday 5pm Vigil Mass for Sunday in Church only.
- Sunday 9am and 11am Church and the Parish Centre (Mass outdoors in nice weather)
- On Saturdays there will be Confession at 10.30am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and on request. - Weekday Masses Monday to Saturday will be celebrated in church at 11.00am with limited numbers