

# This week at St Lawrence's



22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> June 2013

Twelfth Sunday of the Year  
(Missal Page 99 – YEAR C)



Zechariah 12:10-11, 13:1; Psalm 62; Galatians 3:26-29; Luke 9:18-24  
Saints Peter and Paul (Missal Page 180): Acts 12:1-11; Psalm 33; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18;  
Matthew 16:13-19

Dear Friends

This weekend we have welcomed the Vicar General of our Diocese, Monsignor Séamus O'Boyle, to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for 48 of our young people. Please keep them all in your prayers as they mature in their Christian lives, that they may grow to be good and faithful Catholics and great witnesses of the power of the Holy Spirit to their own generation. In particular, I would like to thank our Confirmation Catechists who have themselves been a great witness to these young people – Bridget, Rebecca, Noella, Martin, Sean and Mykal. Being a Catechist in the parish is a great way to serve. Could this ministry be for you?

Thursday of this week, 27<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre, is our yearly opportunity to look back and to look forward. It is our Parish Annual Meeting, and I would like to take this opportunity to invite you along. As well as reports on our parish life, including our annual financial report, it is a chance to plan ahead, looking forward to the arrival of our new Assistant Priest, Fr Fortunato, and all that the next twelve months could bring. I also hope to be able to show you the first draft of plans for our new Parish Centre, an exciting and ambitious project which will be, in part, the fruit of our recent Growing in Faith campaign. Come along if you can, see for yourself, and make your voice heard.

With my love and prayers.

Fr Chris

## 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

### CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to Ana Silva, Aron Loganathan, Carolina Harrison, Charles Lwanga, Chelsea Evans, Chloe Shokar, Christian Scully, Christopher Fernando, Cian Lucas, David Castro, Eline Gappy, Elliott Buckle, Emily Hooton, Emily Flynn, Hannah Field, Helen Okeke, Isabella Principe, Jacob Stansby, Jade Brady, Jade Weekes, James Bannon, Jason Mosquera, Jessica Boylett, Natalie Boylett, Joseph Thomson, Katherine Mosquera, Kyle Quadra, Laura McTernan, Leon Amoah, Leonardo Rodrigues, Lily Burksfield, Lisa Lopes, Luis Ornelas, Michelle Guevarra, Natalia Kozłowska, Natasha Silva, Oliver Bennett, Olivia Blaszyńska, Patrycja Martyniak, Patrycja Nowak, Rafaela Ferrage, Reanne David, Rebecca Tolan, Riannon Stacey, Ricardo Da Silva Nobrega, Rory Murphy, Tara Twitchen, Toby Sibbick and Erwin Gorczynski who were Confirmed on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June.

The Confirmation Thanksgiving Mass and party will take place on **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July** at 6pm.

## PARISH NOTICES

### PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting takes place on **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June** at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. If you have any items you wish to raise please send a note to the Chair of the Parish Pastoral Committee by 12noon on the day.

### UCM RETREAT/DAY OF RECOLLECTION

The UCM are to hold a Day of Retreat/Recollection on **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June** in the Church and Parish Centre from 9.30am to 3.30pm. If any lady of the Parish would like to attend please phone Mrs Maureen Dethridge for details.

### MISSIO COLLECTORS

Please collect your Summer edition Magazines from the porch.

## YEAR OF FAITH QUESTION BOX

### What sins does the Holy Spirit not forgive? (Matthew 12:31-32)

This text is one of the most confusing, and possibly upsetting, in the whole of the New Testament. If God is merciful how then can Jesus speak of Him not forgiving? The answer is to be found in looking at the situation in which Jesus makes this statement. Jesus has healed a demoniac who is both blind and mute – a sure sign that he does the gracious work of God. The crowd wonders whether he is the Son of David (Messiah). The Holy Spirit is at work in Jesus (the prophecy of Isaiah 42:14 is fulfilled in him). The Kingdom of God is breaking into the world. The Pharisees (who oppose Jesus and all that he represents) counter by asserting that he casts out demons by the power of Beelzebul, the prince of demons. Therefore they are attributing to Satan what actually should be attributed to God. Here is their great sin, they are indeed blaspheming. They cut themselves off from the loving forgiveness of God by refusing to accept that Jesus has come to reveal that same forgiveness and grace. God, as supremely revealed by Jesus, cooperates with us; He does not force us to follow him. Therefore we are called to repent (turn) to Him with penitent hearts, and we can be sure of receiving the forgiveness of our sins.

This is what we celebrate each time we make use of the Sacrament of Penance (Confession). Here we turn to the Lord, we acknowledge our guilt, and His power to forgive sins. The Priest assures us that 'God, the Father of mercies, through the death and resurrection of his Son has reconciled the world to Himself, and sent the Holy Spirit among us for the forgiveness of sins.'  
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## OTHER

### BISHOP ALAN HOPES

Pope Francis has appointed Bishop Alan Hopes, currently Auxiliary Bishop of Westminster, to become the fourth Bishop of East Anglia. He will be installed as the Bishop of East Anglia on Tuesday 16 July at St. John the Baptist Cathedral, Norwich.

A Mass of Thanksgiving and Farwell will take place at Westminster Cathedral on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July** at 5.30pm. Please keep Bishop Alan in your prayers.

### VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT GROUP

The next meeting of the for young adults (18-30's) is on Friday 28 June, 7-9pm in the Hinsley Room, Morpeth Terrace next to Westminster Cathedral, with a talk by Fr Richard Nesbitt on St Peter and St Paul. This is part of the "Figures of Faith in the Bible" series for the Year of Faith. For further info contact Sr Gabi at [info@free2become.org](mailto:info@free2become.org) or Fr Richard at [richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:richardnesbitt@rcdow.org.uk)

### CELEBRATE TWICKENHAM

Catholic Family Conference is taking place next weekend (29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> June) at Gumley School. Unfortunately you can't just turn up on the day - you have to book in advance and places are now very limited in all the streams - to download a booking form and payment details go to [www.celebrateconference.org/weekends/twickenham](http://www.celebrateconference.org/weekends/twickenham) or contact us directly.

### ST JOHN BOSCO CHILDREN'S CAMP

The St. Vincent de Paul, St John Bosco Camp offers children aged 8-13 a sports and activity based holiday on a campsite in the Essex countryside. Run with a Catholic ethos, the camp is especially for children who may not have any other holiday this year. There are three weeks of the camp: For boys: 20<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> July or 27<sup>th</sup> July to 3<sup>rd</sup> August. For girls: 3<sup>rd</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> August. For details and application forms log onto [www.svpboscocamp.org.uk](http://www.svpboscocamp.org.uk)

### FOUNDATION DEGREE IN HEALTHCARE CHAPLAINCY

St Mary's University College, Twickenham, is recruiting students to begin its successful Foundation Degree in Healthcare Chaplaincy Course. This part-time two year course provides Priests, Religious and lay people with a recognised NHS qualification to be appointed as a Roman Catholic Hospital Chaplain. Supported by the Diocese of Westminster and the Catholic Bishops Conference of England & Wales, the Foundation Degree combines pastoral experience with Theological learning to equip chaplains and volunteers to work on behalf of the Church serving patients and staff within the NHS. For more details or to enrol for October, please email Fr Peter Scott at [peterscott@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:peterscott@rcdow.org.uk) or call 01932 563116.

## PILGRIMAGES

### DOWRY OF MARY PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

The Annual Pilgrimage to Walsingham takes place on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September. A coach will leave from here at 8am to arrive in time for the welcome of flags and banners from different countries, so come in your national dress. Mass at 12 noon will be followed by a picnic and procession, which will end with Benediction. Please come prepared for all types of weather and bring a packed lunch and drinks. We will return home about 8.30pm. The cost of the day will be £16.00 per person. Please sign up on the list in the porch. **To secure your seat please post your money in an envelope, clearly marked with your name and "WALSINGHAM", to the Parish Office.**

## WHAT'S COMING UP IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS

### August

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup>** – St Lawrence's Feast Day

### September

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>** – Mass of Healing - 12 noon

## Mass intentions and other services this week:

<b>Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup></b> STS JOHN FISHER AND THOMAS MORE  + First Mass of Sunday	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	11.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	11.45	Benediction
	12.00	<b>Pireku, Dawson-Amoah &amp; Quainoo Family Intentions</b>
	15.00	<b>CONFIRMATION</b>
<b>+ Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup></b> 12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	18.00	<b>People of the Parish</b>
	09.00	<b>Olga Pereira RIP</b>
	11.00	<b>Raymond Mendoza RIP (A)</b>
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup></b> THE NATIVITY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST	13.00	<b>Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)</b>
	14.00	<b>Mass led by the African Community</b>
	18.00	<b>Anthony Lynch RIP</b>
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup></b> THE NATIVITY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	<b>Jose de Azevedo RIP</b>
<b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup></b> Feria	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	<b>Celebrant's Intention</b>
	10.00	<i>Novena to Our Lady</i>
<b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup></b> Feria	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	<b>Augustine Peneyro RIP (A)</b>
<b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup></b> St John Southworth	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	<b>Harry &amp; Philomena Booker RIP</b>
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup></b> St Irenaeus	09.15	Morning Prayer
	09.30	<b>The Wilson Family in Thanksgiving</b>
<b>Saturday 29<sup>th</sup></b> Feria  + First Mass of Sunday	11.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	11.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	11.45	Benediction
	12.00	<b>Steffie Grace Rosario in Thanksgiving</b>
	17.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation
<b>+ Sunday 30<sup>th</sup></b> STS PETER & PAUL	18.00	<b>Anthony Watts &amp; Family in Thanksgiving</b>
	09.00	<b>People of the Parish</b>
	11.00	<b>Rosemarie Samarakone RIP</b>
	13.00	<b>Mass in Polish (Msza sw.)</b>
	18.00	<b>Ann O'Connor RIP</b>

### Sanctuary Lamp: Ugowe Family Intentions

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

15/16 June: Envelopes £1069.00, Loose £628.56, Standing Orders £420.00 Total: £2117.56

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