



St Lawrence Catholic Church

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Sixth Sunday of Easter

20th/21st May 2017

Readings: Parish Mass Book Year A, Volume 1: (Missal Page: 268): Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Psalm 65; 1 Peter 3:15-18; John 14:15-21

Next Week: – The Ascension of the Lord: Page 272: Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 46; Ephesians 1:17-23; Matthew 28:16-20

THE LOVING PRESENCE OF JESUS AMONG US

It has been such a joy celebrating the First Holy Communion Masses. Jesus shares his life with all our children and with all of us.

Jesus promises to be our companion on our life's journey. He is in each member of our family, our friends and through their actions and love Jesus touches our lives and forms our hearts.

Jesus living in all our children enables them to achieve their full potential. May they always listen to his voice and respond each day so that they can joyfully appreciate their giftedness.

Thanks to Bridget and all our Catechists for your time and energy and sharing your faith with us in the communion programme.

Thanks also to our parents for your involvement and commitment, and thanks to our parish community for your love and prayers.

*Lord make us cheerful and kind. Let us know
always that human love reflects your love. Amen*

FR. JOHN

PARISH NOTICES

CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on **Saturday 3rd June** at 3pm and 6pm. The Reconciliation Service will be on **Tuesday 23rd May** in Church between 7pm and 9pm and the rehearsal will take place on **Tuesday 30th May and Thursday 1st June** at 7pm.

THE WHY COURSE.

The Why Course started last week, the next sessions are on Monday **29th May** and **12th June** at 7pm in the Parish Centre. 'The WHY course' covers three topics, Why God? Why Christ? and Why the Church?

This course is open to everyone and if you have never been part of a faith learning course. You can still join the sessions. If you need more details please contact Bridget at bridgetbrinkley@rcdow.org.uk or the parish office.

May is the month of Our Lady, an inspiration to discover the Rosary afresh and to use it more in our own personal and parish prayer life. Our Church Repository has Rosaries, prayer books and prayer cards to help us on that path.



Sunday Mass: 6pm (Vigil Mass), Sunday 9am, 11am, 1pm (Polish) & 6pm. Weekday Mass: Monday-Friday 9.30am; Saturday 12noon
Morning Prayer: Monday-Friday 9.15am, Novena to Our Lady: Tuesdays 10am, Exposition and Benediction: Saturdays 11am, Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) – Saturday 11am and 5pm

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We offer our warmest congratulations to the following children who will be receiving their First Holy Communion this weekend:

Saturday 20th May at 12.00noon

Pola Sofia Swieboda, James Christopher Reilly,
George Zion Puducay, Jared Jose Furtado, Nicola Maya Borowik,
Jay-Ryan Manalo Balitan, Keen Henry Isaac Tadio,
Lauren Ashley Domondon, Lemuel Sena Kwaku, Elina Manoleris,
Amelia Zajac, Olivia Borkowske, Anais Marlene-Helene Fernandez
Pequeno, Elizandra Maisa Fernandes Tavares, Martyna Zygart,
Geremy Kiya Ngubu and Veronica Kipweni Ngubu

Saturday 20th May at 6.00pm

Daniel Uzochukwu, Kyla Aingeal Bundy, Leon Fernandes,
Mykta Demchuk, Vanessa Batirashvili, Jamie Nyinondi
and Evert Duriel Appiagyei

Sunday 21st May at 11am

Sophie Lipka, Aleksandra Ubysz, Paulina Weronika Koralczyk,
Malvina Lena Moorgen, Laura Piekarz, Edel Dominic Pires,
Shanelle Veronica Van Der Straaten, Nuno Costa Ornelas,
Nicole Nieradko, Claudia Francisca Razario and Maximilian Trafny

TABLE TOP SALE AND COFFEE MORNING

Thank you to all those who donated items for the Table Top sale and Coffee morning and to all those who supported the event. A sum of £420.28 was raised towards the Parish Centre Building Fund.

UCM

The UCM will meet on **Monday 22nd May** at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.

CAR PARKING

Please note that there will be **no parking** in Church grounds on the morning of **Monday 22nd May** due to the funeral of Arthur Greenwood. Also, on **Wednesday 24th May** there will be **no parking** in the afternoon in Church ground from 12 noon onwards due to the funeral of Jack Devereux. Members of the Over 50's club please make note of this.

GARDEN WORKING PARTY

Thank you to those who helped tidy the garden and grounds over the last two weekends. They are all looking great. However, on-going maintenance is required to keep them tidy. If you are able to help in any way please let Fr John or the Parish Office know.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

The installation of the icon of St Lawrence will take place on **Saturday, 15th July at the 12 noon Mass**, followed by lunch in the Parish Centre. The Icon is a gift to the Parish in thanksgiving from Helen Dejean. Fr. Chris will join us for the celebration and will bless the Icon. To help us celebrate this day we are arranging a Flower Festival and Art Competition. If you are interested in helping with the arrangements for the day of the installation of the Icon, there will be a meeting at 4.30pm in the Parish Centre on **Saturday 27th May**.

HEALTH & SAFETY – EVACUATION DRILL

Each year an audit is carried out on the Health & Safety aspects of the Church by Precision, a company appointed by the Diocese. These inspections have highlighted the lack of an Evacuation procedure and it was through these visits that Fr Chris and now Fr John have asked for assistance in forming an Evacuation Policy. Each Mass, Saturday 6pm, Sunday 9am, 11am, 1pm and 6pm together with the African and Filipino Masses will have their own Evacuation Teams. A meeting will be held on **Tuesday 27th June** at 7.30pm to discuss the Evacuation Policy and the formation of teams. A representative from Precision will be in attendance. We will need many volunteers and I would be grateful if you could attend the meeting. As a reminder, the safety and wellbeing of Parishioners here at St Lawrence's is our collective responsibility, but ultimately the responsibility of our Parish Priest.

FILIPINO COMMUNITY

..will be celebrating the *Flores de mayo & Santacruzán* in honour of our Blessed Mother Mary followed by Mass on **27th May at 2.30pm**. If you have children who want to be Sagala please contact Helen or Wilma. Open to all parishioners.

ART COMPETITION

Details of the Art Competition are now available on the table in the porch. Please speak to Bridget if you need further information.

OTHER

'THY KINGDOM COME' - Praying the Pentecost Novena

Join Catholics throughout England and Wales who are praying the Pentecost Novena (24th May to 4th June) for the faith of their loved ones to be stirred by the Holy Spirit. Please take a prayer leaflet from the porch.

RETREAT AND HEALING SERVICE

Dr Jayanand, an international and inspirational preacher for over 30 years will be holding a 3 day retreat and healing service at St Lawrence's from **8th to 10th June**. On 8th and 9th June from 5pm to 8pm and on 10th June after the 6pm Mass. Please see flyer on notice board for further details or contact George Fernandes.

CELEBRATE TWICKENHAM

17-18 June 2017 at St Mary's University, Twickenham. For more details please visit www.celebrateconference.org or email Twickenham@celebrateconference.org or call 07778 12427/07717 473160.

A FESTIVAL OF HOPE – SPIRIT IN THE CITY

At Leicester Square from **9-10 June**. Theatre, music, workshops, prayer, talk. Please see poster or take a leaflet at the back of Church. www.spiritinthecity.org or email: info@spiritinthecity.org or call 020 7440 2663.

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of **Geraldine Ward (Gerry) RIP, Lisa Young RIP, Arthur Greenwood RIP and Jack Devereux RIP** who died recently. Please also keep in your prayers their families, friends and all who mourn them.

Arthur Greenwood RIP – Requiem Mass here on **Monday 22nd May** at 10am. There will be no 9.30am Mass today and no parking in Church.

Jack Devereux RIP – Funeral Service here on **Wednesday 24th May** at 2.00pm. No parking from 12 noon in Church.

Lisa Young RIP – Funeral Service at Hanworth Crematorium on Wednesday 31st May at 2.00pm.

Geraldine Ward (Gerry RIP) – Requiem Mass here on **Monday 5th June** at 2.30pm.

Thank you for your generosity in last week's collection:

13-14 May: Envelopes £757.54; Loose: £1,011.71
Standing Orders: £628.00 **Total: £2,397.25**

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 20 th	11.00 12.00 17.00 18.00	Sacrament of Reconciliation FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Sacrament of Reconciliation FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
Sun 21 st	09.00 11.00 13.00 18.00	People of the Parish FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) Sean Quinn (Intention)
Mon 22 nd	10.00	FUNERAL MASS –ARTHUR GREENWOOD RIP
Tues 23 rd	09.30	Sr Mary O'Malley (Intentions)
Wed 24 th	09.30 14.00	Fr Peter Raposo RIP FUNERAL SERVICE – JACK DEVEREUX RIP
Thurs 25 th	09.30	Daniel Fogarty RIP [moved from 22 nd May]
Fri 26 th	09.30	Deceased members of the D'Souza Family RIP
Sat 27 th	11.00- 11.30 11.45 12.00 12.45 14.30 17.00 18.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation Benediction Thomas Mendes RIP Baptisms of Roel Rodrigues, Oliver Tognor, Fabiola Gonsalves and Mia Grace Benoit- Lesniowska Flores de mayo & Santacruzán and Mass in Tagalog for the Filipino community Sacrament of Reconciliation People of the Parish
Sun 28 th	09.00 11.00 13.00 14.30 18.00	Sr Nora Gorman (Intention) Christine Cahalane RIP (Anniversary) Mass in Polish (Msza sw.) Mass led by the African Community Bridie McDonald and Family (Intention)
Sanctuary Lamp: The Easterbrook Family in Thanksgiving		