

ST LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH FELTHAM

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Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5th/6th November 2022

Year C, Volume 2: (Page 160): 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14; Psalm 16; 2 Thessalonians 2:16, 3:5; Luke 20:27-38

Next Week: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Page 164): Malachi 3:19-20; Psalm 97; 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12; Luke 21:5-19



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MASS TIMES

Sunday Mass: 8.00am, 9.30am and 11.00am

Monday to Friday Mass: 10am; Saturday Morning: 11.00am

Saturday Morning: Confessions: 10.00am to 10.45am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,

Saturday Evening: 5.00pm Vigil Mass for Sunday

Ethnic Chaplaincies: Polish Mass every Sunday 1.00pm, Ukrainian Mass 2nd Sunday 2.30pm & 4th Saturday 7.00pm; Malayalam Mass 3rd Sunday 2.30pm; Mass in Tagalog 4th Saturday 3pm; Mass led by Nigerian Chaplaincy 4th Sunday 2.30pm.

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Dear Friends,

I'm never quite sure what to say about The Sadducee's who try to trick Jesus in today's gospel. The claim to believe in God but at the same time also believe that your soul dies with you and that there is no afterlife. Perhaps that is why they were sad, you see?

It is truthful to say that the Israelites were poor and oppressed people in Egypt and yet God chose them as his people. A further truth is that they became a symbol of freedom from slavery, freedom from death and mortality and rebirth through water. During their desert journey the Israelites were sustained by manna (Bread) from heaven. A representation of this ritual is still practiced annually at the Passover (Seder) meal where we are reminded that even though we were not present at that time with Moses, Miriam et al, we still undergo that liberating reminder of that truth. Or to put it another way, living remembrance of a past event that has become real when we enter into it. That is to say it has become real in our time.

However, despite the many challenges they faced, God, who had chosen Moses as the leader of the Israelites, was to be the person to whom he would reveal the Ten Commandments or the Ten Truths. They include regulations or laws relating to God, to keep the sabbath holy and to honour your parents, as well as rules or laws on idolatry, blasphemy, murder, adultery, theft, dishonesty and coveting. The Israelites had drifted away from covenant law and had endured famine and plague and at one point they even worshiped a golden calf, cast from all the jewellery that that they had with them. Through the Ten Commandments Moses led the Israelites to recommit themselves to a covenant with God.

Last Tuesday we celebrated All Saints (I doubt there is anything for the Sadducees in that solemnity). The gospel for All Saints day is the beatitudes from Matthew where Jesus "updates" the Ten Commandments. For example, in ancient times "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth", Jesus was of course referring to the Torah but was he really saying that if someone causes you actual bodily harm then to redress the balance you should cause them actual bodily harm. (I don't think so), but I do think what Jesus is actually implementing is a statute of limitation. He does this by saying is that you shouldn't extract more than has been taken from you, in fact he is even saying that you shouldn't even do that, he is saying that in times of insult or injury you should turn the other cheek. Even this might seem odd to us in the modern era, for it is saying that if you suffer humiliation from an enemy or foe then rise above it.

From a social perspective this is quite challenging because surely it is human nature to fight back either by word or by deed when you are attacked but Jesus updates the Old Testament teaching when he tells us to love our enemies as we love our neighbours and to pray for those who persecute us. Once again I find myself saying it is particularly difficult to be a Christian and it is particularly difficult to be a Catholic Christian. But perhaps this week I can also say it would be far easier to be a Sadducee.

Have a blessed week

Deacon Colin

CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE FOR RECEPTION

Fr John will be available for signing of the Certificate for Catholic Practice for Reception on the dates below. Please put your name down on the relevant page on the porch notice board. There are 15 slots on each date. Please come with your child and wait in Church and bring the relevant forms including baptism certificate.

Saturday 12th November: 9am-10am and 3pm-4pm
Saturday 19th November: 9am-10am
Saturday 26th November: 2pm-3pm
Saturday 3rd December: 9am-10am

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

CONFIRMATION 2023

If any young people want to be enrolled for our Confirmation programme in 2023 please email Cathy Early cathythecatechist@outlook.com

EXPLORING THE CATHOLIC FAITH

Would you like to find out more about the Catholic faith or do you want to become a Catholic, or deepen your personal spiritual life. Please contact Fr David or Deacon Colin.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

We are restarting the Children's Liturgy at the 11am Mass and this is a request for volunteers to help with the programmes on Sundays. There will be a planning meeting for volunteers on **Sunday 13th November** after the 11am Mass. Children's Liturgy will start on Sunday 20th November. Please see Cathy Early.

THANK YOU

Our grateful thanks to John D'Souza and Clifton Dias for gifting the replacement light bulbs in Church and smoke alarms in the Church and presbytery.

THE SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS' FUND

Today's second collection is for the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund. Please give generously and help ensure our sick and older priests are financially supported, having given us a lifetime of dedicated service. They have baptised us, welcomed us into the church, and offered comfort and prayer at times of sorrow. Now we have a chance to give back and ensure they have peace of mind during their senior years, when they may be facing failing health and declining mobility. Please give generously using the envelopes in the church. You can also donate online at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations - the envelopes and posters feature a 'QR Code' that you can scan with a phone camera to give online. Thank you in advance for your kindness.

MONTH OF NOVEMBER

- **November Lists** – are available at the back of Church, please fill in and place in the basket at the foot of the altar. The Memory Tree by the Baptistry is another way to leave a short message for a loved one.

- **Blessing of Graves** - Fr John, Fr David, Deacon Colin and Deacon Rolly will be available on **Sunday 6th November** to pray over and bless the graves of parishioners buried in local cemeteries. If you would like to have the grave of a loved one blessed, just turn up and wait at your loved one's grave for one of the Priests/Deacons.

Hatton Cemetery - 1.00pm; Bedford Cemetery - 1.30pm;
Feltham Cemetery - 2.15pm

Hanworth Crematorium - 1.00pm (for those whose ashes are buried there); Borough Cemetery (Powder Mill Lane) - 1.45pm and Hounslow Cemetery - 2.15pm.

A schedule of blessing of graves in all cemeteries in the Hounslow Borough is displayed on the noticeboard

- **Special Mass for the recently bereaved** – On **Sunday 6th**

November at 5pm we shall be celebrating a special Mass to pray for the peaceful repose of parishioners, who have died over the past year and to pray for the comforting of their families. Please come along to offer the support of your prayers to those who are grieving

- **Remembrance Sunday - 13 November** – There is no parade but there will be the placing of wreaths by local dignitaries at 3pm. Refreshments will be served after the service in the Parish Centre. If you are able to help to set up the Parish Centre, prepare and serve refreshments (tea and biscuits) and tidy up afterwards, please let Florie know and come to the Parish Centre at 2.00pm to get everything ready before the service at Feltham War Memorial.

FLOWER ARRANGING

If anyone would like to help with flower arranging, please speak to Arlene Juriansz.

FIRE WARDENS

If you would like to volunteer as a Fire Warden at the Mass you come to (including Ethnic Chaplaincies) or if you belong to a group using the Parish Centre, please speak to Deacon Rolly after Mass or email him on rollyleon@rcdow.org.uk. Training will be provided.

UCM

The UCM will meet on **Monday 7th November at 12noon** in the Parish Centre. All ladies in the parish welcome.

SPECIAL MASSES FOR THE GOAN COMMUNITY

Fr Patrick D'Souza sfx, Goan Chaplain, will be celebrating a Novena Mass in honour of Venerable Fr Agnelo D'Souza sfx, here on **Sunday 13th November at 6.00pm**. The Mass will be in Konkani.

A Mass to commemorate the 95th Death Anniversary of Fr Agnelo will be celebrated by Bishop Paul McAleenan at St Paul the Apostle Church, 22 Bradley Road, Wood Green N22 7SY on **Sunday 20th November at 2.00pm**.

ST IGNATIUS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN DAY

The Open Mornings are on Wednesdays from 9-10am on: **9th, 16th and 23rd November**. The application process for admission to school in **Reception 2023** opens on 31st October 2022 website <https://www.st-ignatius.surrey.sch.uk/admissions/> or direct from the school office on 01932 785396 or by email a.mason@st-ignatius.surrey.sch.uk from 31st October 2022 onwards.

REST IN PEACE

We pray for the repose of the souls of Fr Duncan Adamson RIP, Betty Finnegan RIP and Pierre Ndongang RIP who have passed away recently.

Fr Duncan Michael Adamson RIP – His body will be received into the Church of the Most Sacred Heart, Pembroke Road, Ruislip HA4 8NN on **Tuesday 9th November** for a Requiem Mass at 6.30pm. His Funeral Mass will take place on **Wednesday 10th November** at the same Church at 12noon.

Betty Finnegan RIP – her Requiem Mass will take place here on **Friday 25th November** at 11.00am.

We also keep in our prayers all the family and friends who mourn them. May they rest in peace.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 5	11.00am 5.00pm	Milagros Pavia RIP (Anniversary) Holy Souls in Purgatory
✳ Sun 6	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 1.00pm 5.00pm	Rose Ezeh RIP Camilo Barreto RIP (Anniversary) John Igboanugo Junior RIP Mass in Polish (Msza sw) Mass for the Bereaved
Mon 7	8.15am 10.00am	In Thanksgiving Sacred Heart of Jesus Agnetha Wilson – Birthday Intention
Tues 8	10.00am 7.00pm	In Thanksgiving – Mendes Family Daira O'Gallachoir RIP (1 st Anniversary)
Wed 9	10.00am	In Thanksgiving Alexander Dieseru
Thurs 10	10.00am	Michael Colin Chorlton RIP
Fri 11	10.00am	In Thanksgiving Bhagat Family
Sat 12	11.00am 5.00pm	Peace in the Family – Private Int. Althea Adams-Roberts - Birthday Thanksgiving
✳ Sun 13	8.00am 9.30am 11.00am 1.00pm 2.30pm 3.00pm 6.00pm	Newton Steven Faria – Birthday Thanksgiving Deceased members of the O'Brien/Doherty Families RIP Kate Stokes RIP (and War Dead) Mass in Polish (Msza sw) Mass in Ukrainian <i>Remembrance Service at Cenotaph</i> Mass in Konkani for Fr Agnelo D'Souza
Sanctuary Lamp: Deceased members of the Barreto Family RIP		

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS

Collection 29-30 October 2022 was:

Loose: £1358.26 Envelopes: £256.35 Total: £1,614.61

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