

# This week at St Lawrence's



**26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> November 2011 First Sunday of Advent (Year B)  
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*Isaiah 63:16-17, 64:1, 3-8; Psalm 79:2-3,15-16,18-19;1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:33-37  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent: Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11; Psalm 84:9-14; 2 Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8 (Missal Page 85)*



Dear Friends,

We begin this weekend a new Christian Year. Each Advent Sunday marks the start of something new, a fresh chapter in our Christian lives and the life of the Church. It gives us an opportunity and a perspective to look back and to glimpse the promise of future glory. "Forgive what we have been, amend what we are, direct what we shall be". As we light the candles of our Advent Wreath each Sunday until Christmas Day, so the light of those candles, and the promise and the potential they represent, help us to see more clearly. They help us see the truth and beauty of our God and of his Christ, the value and dignity of our lives, the integrity of His creation, the possibilities of the Kingdom of God and our promised destiny in the Kingdom of Heaven. In all the hustle and bustle of your Christmas preparation never lose the great Advent virtue of Hope – and in that spirit I wish you all a very happy hopeful new year.

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**

### **FIRST CONFESSION AND COMMUNION CHILDREN**

We offer our congratulations to our First Communion children who made their First Confession on Saturday. Please continue to hold them in your prayers.

First Communion Parents are reminded that they have a meeting this Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> at 2.30pm or 7.30pm.

The children meet again on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> or Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 3.30pm.

### **BAPTISMS**

We extend a warm welcome to Noah John Nodwell as he is baptised this weekend and offer our congratulations to his family.

## **PARISH**

### **FIRST FRIDAY**

On Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December there will be Eucharistic Adoration and Confession at 7.00pm followed by Mass at 7.30pm.

### **CALLING ALL READERS**

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December is "Bible Sunday" and there will be the annual renewal of Commitment to the Ministry of Readers at all weekend Masses.

### **BOOKLETS FOR ADVENT 2011**

The Season of Advent is a time of preparation for the coming of God's Son at Christmas – a time of grace, prayer and expectation.

As we journey through Advent we offer two pocket sized booklets - **Walk with Me** which has prayerful reflections for each of the days leading up to Christmas and

**Day by Day** which has the readings for Mass.

These are available at the back of Church (Price £1.00 each).

### **PARISH MASS BOOKS**

The new Parish Mass Books for Year B which commences this weekend are now available. There are a few copies for sale in the repository if you would like your own copy. Price £2.50.

### **ADVENT WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN**

On Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December from 2-4.30pm in the Parish Centre for children aged 2-11 years. The workshop will finish with a small service in Church. The workshop is to enable children to make Advent and Christmas crafts. There will also be songs and prayers. Some of the items that are made from this event will be displayed in the Church throughout Advent and Christmas. Cost per child is £1.00.

We need small empty jars with lids (baby food jars) and empty kitchen rolls. If you have any please drop them into the presbytery as we require about 100 jars and 30 kitchen rolls.

### **UCM**

Next meeting is on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November. Sister Mary has kindly offered to come to the UCM and give us a talk on Advent.

## **THANK YOU**

I am delighted to announce that Francisca Rosario has given our new Altar candlesticks and a set of three chalices in memory of her dear late husband, Joe Do Rosario. Our thanks, love and prayer go to her and her family. Fr Chris

**OTHER**

**CHURCHES TOGETHER ADVENT SERVICE**

There will be an Advent Service at 3pm this Sunday at Southville Methodist Church. All welcome.

**POLAND PILGRIMAGE REUNION**

This will be held in the Parish Centre on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December after the 6pm Mass. Please bring a small dish of food to share.

**FEAST OF ST FRANCIS XAVIER**

Goa, a former Portuguese colony of the South West coast of India, is the ancestral home to many Roman Catholics around the world. On Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December, West London Goans will be celebrating the Feast of, St Francis Xavier, the patron saint of Goa at St Lawrence's School Hall. You are invite to join the celebration from 1-7. Tickets cost £12 (£13 after 27 November) and include a 3 course meal and dancing. Please contact Tessy De Mello 01784 433302 or Jonelle Afonso 020 8844 [2634 or jonelle afonso@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:2634_or_jonelle_afonso@hotmail.co.uk)

**CAROLS OF REMEMBRANCE**

Lodge Brothers Funeral Directors are organising a Carol Service of Remembrance here on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 7.15pm, followed by refreshments. All welcome.

**APF MISSIO PROMOTERS**

Please could you collect the 2012 calendars from the back of Church.

**PARISH SUPPORT**

**CAFOD WORLD GIFTS**

The CAFOD World Gift Catalogues are now available at the back of Church.

**CAFOD COFFEE MORNING**

CAFOD's First Friday Coffee Morning will take place this Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December after the morning Mass.

**LIFE**

The LIFE Pregnancy Care Centre in Hounslow is in need of baby clothes (birth to 3 years) and baby equipment in good condition. If you can donate any item and baby clothes this will be much appreciated. Please telephone the centre on 020 8570 7717 and leave a message or phone Ann Burke on 020 8890 8160. Many thanks.

**LIFE COFFEE MORNING AND CHRISTMAS MINI FAIR**

This will be held in the Parish Centre on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December after the morning Masses. Mince pies, cakes, pressies, bric-a-brac will be for sale. Refreshments will also be served. If you can provide home made mince pies or cakes or can help in any way please ring Ann Burke on 020 8890 8160. All proceeds to the LIFE Pregnancy Care Centre.

**RECEPTION SIGNING**

THURSDAYS: December 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> – 3.45pm

January 12<sup>th</sup> – 4.45pm

SATURDAYS: December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> – 9.30am

January 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> – 10.30am

Please come with your child and wait in the Church.

Dates for signing Nursery Admission forms will be given after Christmas

**Mass intentions and other services this week:**

<b>Saturday 26<sup>th</sup></b> Feria	09.30 10.45 <b>12.00</b> 17.00 <b>18.00</b>	First Confession First Confession <b>Patrick Bell RIP (A) and Mary Heekin RIP</b> Sacrament of Reconciliation <b>People of the Parish</b>
+First Mass of Sunday		
<b>+ Sunday 27<sup>th</sup></b> First Sunday of Advent (B)	<b>09.00</b> <b>11.00</b> 12.45 <b>14.00</b> <b>18.00</b>	<b>Kevin Guiney RIP (A)</b> <b>Christine and Michael Bigley RIP (A)</b> Baptism of Noah John Nodwell <b>African Community Mass</b> <b>For the peaceful repose of parishioners who have died over the past year</b>
<b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup></b> Advent Feria	09.15 <b>09.30</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Michael Omoniyoo INT</b>
<b>Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup></b> Advent Feria	09.15 <b>09.30</b> 10.00	Morning Prayer <b>Graham Stockwell RIP</b> Novena to Our Lady
<b>Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup></b> St Andrew	09.15 <b>09.30</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Wilson Family (in Thanksgiving)</b>
<b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup></b> Advent Feria	09.15 <b>09.30</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Brenda Scripps and Family (sick)</b>
<b>Friday 2<sup>nd</sup></b> Advent Feria	09.15 <b>09.30</b> 19.00  <b>19.30</b>	Morning Prayer <b>Joaquim Joao D'Costa RIP</b> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation <b>Holy Souls</b>
<b>Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup></b> St Francis Xavier	11.00 11.00 11.45 <b>12.00</b> 13.30 17.00 <b>18.00</b>	Sacrament of Reconciliation Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Benediction <b>Mildred Greatorex RIP</b> Wedding of Carly Corcoran and Steven Byrne Sacrament of Reconciliation <b>Deceased Members of the O'Hanlon Family RIP</b>
+First Mass of Sunday		
<b>+ Sunday 4<sup>th</sup></b> 2nd Sunday of Advent (B)	<b>09.00</b> <b>11.00</b> 12.45  <b>18.00</b> 19.15	<b>Braganza Family INT</b> <b>People of the Parish</b> Baptism of Zoe Olivia Rose Grimes and Janelle Gordon <b>Barbara-Ann Adams INT</b> Carol Service of Remembrance

**Sanctuary Lamp:** The Late Gabriel Danladi RIP

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