

ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR C - 3RD APRIL 2022

(Psalter Week 1)

Entrance Antiphon: ***Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.***

Communion Antiphon: ***Has no one condemned you, woman? No one, Lord. Neither shall I condemn you. From now on, sin no more.***

Everyone is encouraged to **CONTINUE WEARING FACE MASKS**. Sanitisers will continue to be made available.

If you would like to book a Mass Intention, please contact Jeanette in the parish office. Alternatively please use the Mass Intention Envelopes available at the back of the church and put it through the office letter box with your contact number. The recommended Stipend by the Archdiocese for a Mass Intention is £10.

Lent is a season of opportunity in which we can take stock of where we are in our life of faith and perhaps consider where we may like to be. Through the tried and tested practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving we can submit ourselves to God's grace and ask him to enrich and deepen our Christian life. During this season I pray that we will all grow in faith, both as individuals and as a community gathered around our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

May we all have a great Lent.

Fr. Paul

YOUNG ADULTS PRAYER EVENING - WEDNESDAY 6TH APRIL AT 7PM

If you are 18-40 you are invited to join other young adults in the parish for our monthly Wednesday evening gathering. We will meet in the church (side door will be open) at 7pm for prayer followed by fraternity. Please come along – no advance booking necessary. Just turn up!

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE

This year's Lenten Service of Reconciliation will be held jointly between Sidcup and Blackfen Parishes to make available the Sacrament of Confession in preparation for Easter. The service will take place at Our Lady of the Rosary at Blackfen, 330a Burnt Oak Lane, DA15 8LW, on **Thursday 7th April at 7pm.**

LENTEN RETREAT - 9TH APRIL 2022 9AM TO 12:30PM

Fr. Joseph Edattu VC (Divine UK, Ramsgate) & Team will be leading a Lenten retreat at St. Peter the Apostle RC Church, 103 Woolwich New Road, London, SE18 6EF. This Retreat will give you an opportunity to come closer to Jesus by walking in His steps.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - FRIDAYS 10AM - 12:00 Noon

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on Fridays after the 9:30am Mass until 12:00noon. Sign up sheets are available at the back of the Church. We require two names for each available time slot.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - FRIDAYS 12NOON

Stations of the cross will be on Fridays after the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. We are looking for different people to lead the stations each week. Sign up sheet at the back of the Church.

REPOSITORY

The Repository in the Church Hall will be open on Wednesdays during the coffee morning, on Saturdays after the 6:30pm Mass and on Sundays after the 8:30am Mass until 12:00noon. Easter Cards, First Holy Communion Cards, Confirmation Cards and Gifts are on sale. Please note that the repository is unable to accept card payments.

The 9:30am Mass on Wednesday 6th April, Monday 25th April and Thursday 5th May are replaced by the Funeral Masses. The 9:30am Mass on Wednesday 13th April has been cancelled due to the Archdiocesan Chrism Mass at St. George's Cathedral.

DEATH NOTICES

1. Funeral Mass for TL Mary Catherine O'Connell will take place on Wednesday 6th April at 11:00am followed by cremation at Eltham Crematorium at 12:30pm. Mary will be brought into the Church at 4pm on Tuesday 5th April.
2. Funeral Mass for TL George Thomas Henley will take place on Monday 25th April at 10:00am followed by cremation at Eltham Crematorium at 11:30am.
2. Funeral Mass for TL Kathleen Delores Metcalf will take place on Thursday 5th May at 10:00am followed by burial at Sidcup Cemetery at 11:30am.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

ST. LAWRENCE'S CHURCH GIFT AID SCHEME - ENVELOPES/DONATIONS

For those of you already on the scheme thank you for your continued support. The weekly donor boxes of envelopes for the next tax year will be distributed after all masses over the next 3 weekends, as well as the smaller packs of envelopes for second collections for the Standing Order Donors. If you are a Standing Order Donor, it could be that you have paid the same amount for many years, might you consider a small increase? Just to remind you that you must be a UK tax payer to use this scheme. If you no longer pay tax please contact me as soon as possible.

For those of you unfamiliar with the scheme, if you are a UK Tax Payer we are able to reclaim tax paid on all your donations. We simply need your name and address and a record of your donations by either using a monthly standing order, or by placing your cash/cheque donations in a pre-printed envelope each week. If you would like more information, please see one of the representatives outside Mass over the next three weekends, or contact me direct.

Many Thanks Nick Wells nickjohnwells@hotmail.com 07986 348013

Support Your Parish by Standing Order

It is of great benefit to the parish if its members are able to sign up to a regular monthly standing order. If you are able to do so please complete a form that is available at the back of the Church. If you are a tax payer, please gift aid your donation. Thank you.

PARISH COFFEE MORNINGS

The coffee mornings are held after the 8:30am and 10:00am Mass on Sundays and on Wednesdays from 10am to 11:30am. Please come along and meet up with fellow parishioners.

CTS BOOKS AND LEAFLETS

Spiritual Books and Leaflets from CTS are available at the back of the church, please put the money in the box at the back of the church.

FOOD BANK

We have re-commenced collecting food items in the bins at the back of the Church for the food bank run by our local churches. A list of the items needed is displayed at the back of the Church.

BACH - ST. JOHN PASSION

The BYMT Adult Choir will be performing Bach's St John Passion on Palm Sunday, April 10th at 6pm at All Saints' Church, Orpington, Bark Hart Road, BR6 0QD. It will be performed in English so people attending will be able to reflect on the Passion of Christ. Tickets cost £10 and are available at: www.bymt.co.uk/events or by phone on 0208 467 1566. Please see poster at the back of the Church for details.

ALTAR SERVERS RALLY AYLESFORD PRIORY - 2ND MAY 2022

The 44th Annual Altar Servers Rally will take place on Monday 2nd May 2022 at 10:00am at The Friars, Aylesford Priory, Aylesford, Kent, ME20 7BX. Archbishop John Wilson will be the Principal Celebrant of the Mass at 11:30am. There will be a football match at 13:45pm. For full details of the programme see the poster on the notice board at the back of the Church. Altar Servers and their families are welcome to attend.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 2nd April (Vigil Mass)

6.30pm

Fifth Sunday of Lent Year C

Julia Skerritt RIP

Sunday 3rd April

Fifth Sunday of Lent Year C

8.30am

Jack Murphy RIP

10.00am

William Murphy RIP

11.30am

People of the Parish

Monday 4th April

Feria

9.30am

John Gray RIP

Tuesday 5th April

Feria

9.45am

Trudy Custy RIP

Wednesday 6th April

Funeral Mass

11.00am

Funeral Mass of Mary Catherine O'Connell RIP

Thursday 7th April

Feria

9.30am

Claudina Fernandes RIP

Friday 8th April

Feria

9.30am

Annie Jane Egan RIP

Saturday 9th April

Feria

9.30am

Susie Tinsley RIP

The Sacrament of Penance is available on Saturday mornings from 11am until the final confession and by prior arrangement.

Collection	27th March 2022
Cash	£151.82
Gift Aid	£206.50
Total	£358.32
Monthly Standing Order	£4159

Please pray for all the people affected due to the conflict in Ukraine and for the sick of our parish who are at home and in hospitals. Please also pray for the souls of the faithful departed that God may grant them eternal rest.

Give me again the joy that comes from your salvation, and make me willing to obey you. Psalms 51:12