

23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday OT  
Year B  
Psalter Week 3

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### GUARDING REPS:

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### CONFESSIONS

After Mass on Saturday morning until 10.30am and before Mass on Saturday evening from 5.30pm until 5.50pm

### BAPTISMS

Arrangement by appointment with the Parish Priest

### EMERGENCY PRAYER LINES

9am-9pm 276577, 351499, 354060

### THE PILGRIM

[pilgrim@saintlaurence.org.uk](mailto:pilgrim@saintlaurence.org.uk)

Roman Catholic  
Diocese of East Anglia  
Registered Charity  
number: 278742

Saturday	7 <sup>th</sup>	September	Feria
9 am		Rosary	
9.30 am		Mass	John Denis Baxter + (JB)
6 pm		Mass	Malcolm Thatcher + (MH)
Sunday	8 <sup>th</sup>	September	23 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
8 am		Mass	For the People
9.30 am		Mass	Marian Jezo (M)
11 am		Mass	George Taylor (Foundation)
Monday	9 <sup>th</sup>	September	Feria
9.30 am		Mass	Ernesto Spurlin Davantes + MDH
Tuesday	10 <sup>th</sup>	September	Feria
8 am		Mass	Victor Smith + (UM)
12 noon		Requiem Mass	for Julia Reeve
Wednesday	11 <sup>th</sup>	September	Feria
6 pm		Mass	Helen B Hatcher (Foundation)
Thursday	12 <sup>th</sup>	September	Feria
9.30 am		Mass	Nigel Burnham + (M)
Friday	13 <sup>th</sup>	September	St John Chrysostom BD Mem.
12.30 pm		Mass	Christina Holleran + (KR)
Saturday	14 <sup>th</sup>	September	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Feast
9 am		Rosary	
9.30 am		Mass	Secular Franciscans (MDH)
6 pm		Mass	For the People
Sunday	15 <sup>th</sup>	September	24 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
8 am		Mass	Simon Watkin + (MW)
9.30 am		Mass	Sr Teresa Daily +(Foundation)
11 am		Mass	Lucia Undicino + (GC)

### 9.30am Mass Communion hymn:

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world (repeat x 10).

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world (repeat x 3)

### Parish Offering:

Many thanks for your offerings to the parish last weekend. Please do continue to give via an internet bank payment.

Our details are:  
ST LAURENCE'S  
CHURCH  
Sort Code: 09-01-53  
Account Number:  
14255486

### Readings for Sunday

#### First Reading: Isaiah 35: 4-7

The ears of the deaf shall be unsealed and the tongues of the dumb shall be loosed.

#### Psalms 145

My soul, give praise to the Lord.

#### Second Reading: James 2: 1-5

God chose the poor to be the heirs to the kingdom.

#### Gospel: Mark 7: 31-37

He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.

### Those recently deceased

Julia Reeve, Eileen McEwan, Jean Blackburn, Helen Kennedy, Kathleen Keady, Bob Goodyear, Maureen Cox, Patricia Murphy, Fabiana Di Mario, Joseph Kelly, Marisa Selman, John McGannon, Colin Holmes, John Sweeney, Maureen Ward.

### Those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Donald Eagling, John Tyrell Thomas Wood, Owen Murray, Arthur Noakes, Matilda Piper, Joan Rowe Ken Penn, Sylvia Goodchild Michael Edmonds, William Carr, Oliver Cooper, Arthur McQuaid, Antoinette Ward, Margarete Kirk-Kumpf, Mary Smith, Paul William Jones, Michael Jarvis, Patrick McHugh, Ada Cooper, Henry Clarke, Edward Gaule, Frances Juanita Kee Kock, Dorothy Edwards, Michael James Smythe, Barbara Carey, Patrick Newton

### Those who are sick

Peter Bradshaw, Shelly Ward, Chris Duckworth, Anne Maddocks, Mary Holmes, Sennan Bolger, Tony Cook, Daniel Clark, Elizabeth Barrand, Sue Goodbody, Mary & Paul Black, Satti Apudrai, Leo & Claire Rossiter, Michael McEwan, Fiona Bolger, Darcie DaCosta, Margaret Plumb, Austin Wynne, Frank Kennedy, Jane Bradshaw, Teresa Brett, Isabel Grande, Doreen Crampsey, Maria Trebiciani, Martin Cox, Charles McEwan, Ruth Lindsey-Scott, Madeline Stacey, Nora O'Reilly, Rebecca Londei, Maria Carmen Morgan, Rebecca Morgan, Brian Phillips, Anne Baytell, Rick Glasswell, Patricia Bentley.

## Notable and New

**CONFIRMATION 2024 - 2025** - the first parent and candidate session will be Monday, 30th of September from 6:30 - 8pm. All those wishing to be confirmed this school year must be 13 by June 2025. The confirmation candidate and at least one parent must attend this meeting. More details will be added to the Notice Boards and in the Sacraments section of the St Laurence's Website.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** started again last Sunday at both 9:30am and 11:00am Masses. We welcome all comers, particularly those new to the Parish, and invite you to encourage your children to attend. We are always keen for more people to volunteer. The sessions are run in pairs on a rota basis. Guidance and training are provided as well as partnering with a more experienced volunteer. It really is a rewarding experience. For further information, please contact Jim or Leonie or email [childrens.liturgy@saintlaurence.org.uk](mailto:childrens.liturgy@saintlaurence.org.uk)

**NEW PARISH ADMINISTRATOR** Emanuela Di Pietro has started work in the office as our newly appointed parish administrator. Emanuela will be known to many of you already, as she is a parishioner. Do make her welcome and support her in her new role. The office opening hours will now be 10am to 3pm, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

**NEW ALTAR SERVERS WELCOME!** We'll be training new altar servers during September and October. Serving the altar is open to anyone who has made their first holy communion. If you or your child is interested, please email [altar.servers@saintlaurence.org.uk](mailto:altar.servers@saintlaurence.org.uk) or call/text Steve on 07922 428883.

**VOLUNTEER COUNTER NEEDED** - we need one more volunteer to join the team that counts our collection money. The time commitment is 1-2 hours once every 6 weeks. If you can help, please contact the office.

## Parish Groups and Meetings

**SVP REQUEST** SVP would like winter coats for a family we are supporting – a girl aged 5-6, a girl 9 and a boy 10. If you have any spare, please leave in the parish rooms with a note FAO SVP Liz Campbell or call me on 07771 613102 for collection.

**PARENTING TEENS:** We are starting a **discussion group in the parish for people interested in sharing their experiences**; this is a chance for parents, carers and grandparents to come together for mutual help and encouragement as we navigate the teen years and beyond with our loved ones. We invite you to the parish room on **Wednesday 11th September from 7pm** to begin to share your thoughts and experience.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES** will start in October following a registration evening on 10<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm and an Inscription Mass on 22<sup>nd</sup> September. Children will need to be in year 3 or above to attend the classes. More information will be shared at the registration evening. Contact Paula at [firstcommunion@saintlaurence.org.uk](mailto:firstcommunion@saintlaurence.org.uk).

**THE CROSS OF THE MOMENT** is a study of how the abuse crisis has affected the whole Catholic community in England and Wales. There will be an opportunity to talk about the lessons of the report on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm in the parish room. All welcome. If you would like to know more, you can find the report by 'googling' The Cross of the Moment Report. Chapters 6 and 7 are particularly relevant.

**CWL (CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE)** will meet on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 11am. There will be a light lunch after 12.30pm Mass to which all are welcome. The collection will be for Macmillan Coffee Morning.

**CAFOD'S HARVEST FAST DAY** is on 4<sup>th</sup> October. Join us after 9.30am Mass and coffee hub on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September to find out more about this year's appeal. All welcome. For more info. Contact Jane Crone [jcrone@cafod.org.uk](mailto:jcrone@cafod.org.uk) or 07779 804252.

## Fr Simon's Departure

**FAREWELL MASS** As we all know Fr Simon is sadly leaving us. **There will be a Farewell Mass at 6pm on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September. After Mass (7-9pm) there will be drinks and nibbles in the Parish Room, and a presentation to Fr Simon.**

**BOOK/DVD AMNESTY** Fr Simon writes... as thoughts turn to moving plans, please remind me if you have lent me any of your books, DVDs, CDs etc, and if you have borrowed such things from me, I would be grateful if they could be returned for packing!

**LAST CHANCE! COLLECTION FOR FR SIMON** The parish is organising a leaving gift collection for Fr Simon. Please give any contributions by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September.

## Other News

**ANNUAL AFRICAN MASS** You are all invited to the Annual African Mass at **St Philip Howard Catholic Church, 33 Walpole Road, CB1 3TH on Saturday 28th Sept 2024 at 5.30pm** prompt. After the Mass, there will be a bring-and-share food and drinks reception followed by fundraising events (raffle, quiz, talent show, etc.) to support the church renovation. If you have items to donate for the raffle, please reach out to Dominic (07423 557593), Isaac (07751 877109), or Rose (07952 580467).