

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent**  
**Year A**  
 Psalter Week 1

## St. Laurence's Roman Catholic Church

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### GUARDING REPS:

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### CHURCH OPEN

Daily 8am until dusk.

### COFFEE HUB

Saturdays 10 – 11.30am

### CONFESSIONS

Please see schedule for regular confession times. Also available on request.

### BAPTISMS

Please contact the parish office.

### ST. PATRICK'S SOS

### PRAYERLINE

(London Catholic):

020 7434 9211

(Evenings 7-11 PM).

### THE PILGRIM

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

### Roman Catholic

**Diocese of East Anglia**

**Registered Charity**

**number: 278742**

Saturday	21 <sup>st</sup>	February	Lent Feria
9:00 am		Rosary	
9:30 am		Mass	
10:00 am		Confessions	<i>until 10:30 am</i>
5:30 pm		Confessions	<i>until 5:50 pm</i>
6:00 pm		Mass	For the People
7:30 pm		Mass in Polish	
Sunday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	February	1 <sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT
8:00 am		Mass	For the People
9:30 am		Mass	Joyce Adams + (CW)
11:15 am		Mass	Steve Stafford + (FS)
5:00 pm		Mass in Italian	Sebastiano Cuffari, Iolanda Coialbu, Rinaldo Valentini + (TC)
Monday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	February	Lent Feria
9:30 am		Mass	Ted Brown + (F)
Tuesday	24 <sup>th</sup>	February	Lent Feria
12:30 pm		Mass	
7:00 pm		Mass	
Wednesday	25 <sup>th</sup>	February	Lent Feria
9:30 am		Mass	Jim Bolger + (PB)
7:00 pm		Mass, Adoration & Confessions	
Thursday	26 <sup>th</sup>	February	Lent Feria
9:30 am		Mass	Annastacia Mbama + (WM)
6:30 pm		Lectio Divina	
Friday	27 <sup>th</sup>	February	Lent Feria – LENT FAST DAY Solemnity of the Dedication of our Church, St. Laurence
12:30 pm		Mass	
1:30 pm		Funeral Mass	Lucia Chuli +
6:30 pm		Stations of the Cross	
7:00 pm		Mass, Adoration & Confessions	
Saturday	28 <sup>th</sup>	February	Lent Feria
9:00 am		Rosary	
9:30 am		Mass	
10:00 am		Confessions	<i>until 10:30 am</i>
2:00 pm		Mass	<i>with Anointing of the Sick</i>
5:30 pm		Confessions	<i>until 5:50 pm</i>
6:00 pm		Mass	Crescencia & Jaime Berino + (EA)
7:30 pm		Mass in Polish	
Sunday	1 <sup>st</sup>	March	2 <sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT
8:00 am		Mass	For the People
9:30 am		Mass	
11:15 am		Mass	Michael & Grace Barrett 50 <sup>th</sup> anniv. (KS)
5:00 pm		Ablaze Mass	

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March:**  
 Second Collection for CAFOD.

*We congratulate Maria Luisa who was baptised this week and welcome her into the Church.*

### Parish Offering

Many thanks for your offerings to the parish. Please do continue to give via the internet bank payment. Our details are:

ST LAURENCE'S CHURCH  
 Sort Code: 09-01-53

### Readings for Sunday (CTS 153)

*First Reading: Genesis 2: 7-9; 3: 1-7*

The creation and sin of our first parents.

*Psalm 51 (50)*

**Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

*Second Reading: Romans 5: 12-19*

Where sin increased, grace abounded all the more.

*Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11*

Jesus fasts for forty days and is tempted.

### Those recently deceased

Carmelina Cinque, Lucia Chuli, Jane Bradshaw, Maria Sylvester, Joyce Adams, David Lewis, Anthony Masterson, Susan Littlechild, Pauline Brown, Mary Black, Reginald John Sherlock, Teresa Morris, Christopher Duckworth, Ruth Kent.

### Those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Arthur Cooper, Giulia Lopresti, Ted Brown, Harriet O'Neil, Julia Birkbeck Margaret Flood, Margaret Porter, Ruth Kent, Eamonn Barrett, Jack Munro, Lillian Oakley, William Scott, Hugh Callory, Charles Peter Holliday, Eileen Scott-Strupczewska, Giuseppe Martinelli, Jim Bolger Molly Marshall, Rebecca Wines, Robert Simpson, Kathleen Theresa Harkin, Angela Lewsey, Olivia Hawkes, Harry Goulding,, Mary Ann Howe, Mary Hughes, Tom Kidman, Amelia Britten, Daphne Spencer, Francis Brown John Grefe

### Those who are sick

Samantha Edwards, Alex Riches, Fatima da Costa, Giovanni Cirillo, Anna Battistelli, Florence Gordon, Christine Josephine, Ellen McQuillan, Mary Gullick, Augusta Dean, John Mongan, Peter Bradshaw, Shelly Ward, Mary Holmes, Sennan Bolger, Tony Cook, Daniel Clark, Sue Goodbody, Paul Black, Satti Apudrai, Leo & Claire Rossiter, Fiona Bolger, Darcie DaCosta, Margaret Plumb, Frank Kennedy, Teresa Brett, Isabel Grande, Doreen Crampsey, Martin Cox, Charles McEwan, Ruth Lindsey Scott, Madeline Stacey, Nora O'Reilly, Rebecca Londei, Rebecca Morgan, Marie Morgan, Anne Baytell, Patricia Bentley.

## NOTABLE AND NEW

**LECTIO DIVINA:** During Lent we will conduct the *Lectio Divina*, every Thursday from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. This is a meditative prayer time based on the Holy Scripture.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** We invite you to walk the Way of the Cross with us every Friday during Lent. We begin at 6.30 pm with the Stations of the Cross, followed immediately by evening Mass. Afterward, please stay for a time of quiet Adoration and the opportunity for Confession. It is a beautiful way to deepen your spiritual journey in this season.

**MASS WITH ANOINTING OF THE SICK, SATURDAY 2 PM, 28TH FEBRUARY:** Please join the SVP for a Mass with Anointing of the Sick. Refreshments will be available after Mass (Tea, Coffee & Cake) served by the SVP for those who want to join. If you need transport, please feel free to contact us in advance. Please do let me know of your interest in advance by emailing Ciaran Ward on [ciarward@gmail.com](mailto:ciarward@gmail.com) or texting 07540 842 078. Hope to see you there!

**CAFOD LENT APPEAL: FAMILY FAST DAY COLLECTION.** This Lent, live the Gospel call to love your neighbour. By fasting and giving what you save, you can help another family put food on the table. Your donation to CAFOD can help families around the world grow food in challenging conditions. Collect a CAFOD envelope, or donate through the QR code, online at [cafod.org.uk/envelope](http://cafod.org.uk/envelope) or call 0303 303 3030. Text CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10.



## PARISH GROUPS

**NEIGHBOURHOOD PRAYER GROUPS:** The Arbury and King's Hedges prayer group will meet on Monday 23rd February at 7.30 pm. If you would like to join, please contact Erminia ([e.carillo79@gmail.com](mailto:e.carillo79@gmail.com)) for directions.

**SOULFOOD:** Soulfood Prayer Group meets on Tuesdays at 7.45pm after Mass. Please join us for a Spirit filled hour of prayer and worship. Everyone is welcome.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:** will be having our usual Lent soup lunches every Friday after the 12.30 Mass. Do come along all are welcome.

**OLEM/ST LAURENCE LUNCH CLUB:** will meet on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026 at the Park Restaurant, Regional College for lunch (£15). We meet at 12 noon (12.30pm start). If you would like to join us, or would like a lift, please, phone Joel on 07805402869 or Nessa on 01223 860871 by Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2026.

## OTHER NEWS

**PARISHIONER LOOKING FOR HOUSEMATE:** Noemi, one of our parishioners, is looking for a housemate in the CB4 2HH area. If anyone is interested, please contact [noemicarmen90@gmail.com](mailto:noemicarmen90@gmail.com)

**CAR REGISTRATION THROUGH QR CODE:** Now it is possible to register your car for daily visits to the parish also through the QR code placed near the tables or in the parish hall. It can be used in tandem to register vehicles, or on its own if tablet access is interrupted. For longer permits, please email the office.

**PLEASE, PRAY FOR LUCIA CHULI:** who recently passed away, and for her family as they mourn her loss. Lucia's funeral service will take place on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 1:30pm.

**PLEASE, PRAY FOR ANDREW KERINS:** who sadly passed away on Thursday, 29/01/26 at the age of 88. He was a regular at Saint Laurence's from the late 1960s until they moved from Cambridge to Bedfordshire approximately nine years ago. The family wanted to inform our parishioners about his funeral which will take place on Tuesday, 10/03/26 with Mass at 10:45 at Sacred Heart, Flitwick, MK45 1JP. Crematorium- 1200 Oakfield Gardens, Flitwick, MK45 1AD. Please contact the son at [peterkerins@hotmail.com](mailto:peterkerins@hotmail.com) should anyone wish to let them know they would be going.

**THE CAMBRIDGE HALF MARATHON** is on Sunday, 8 March. The road in front of the Church will be closed from 09:00 to 11:30. If you need to use the car park, please arrive before 09:00 as you won't be able to exit until after 11:30. Drop-off points nearby are at the Highworth Ave roundabout or the Ascham Road junction. All pavements will remain open, but expect busier roads and allow extra travel time. The organizers apologize for any inconvenience and appreciate support for the charity runners.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY MOST SUNDAYS DURING BOTH THE 9:30 AM AND 11:15 AM MASSES.** For newcomers, our Children's Liturgy is a special service for the youngest members of our parish. After the opening hymn, young children are invited to join our team of dedicated volunteers in a separate room where we share the Gospel in a way that is accessible and engaging. The children rejoin the main congregation after the offertory. If your children are very young, a parent or older child is welcome to join them. For the safety and well-being of every child, we kindly ask all families to preregister their children on the parish portal. This ensures we have a contact number for each child in attendance. You can find the parish portal at [portal.saintlaurence.org.uk](http://portal.saintlaurence.org.uk). Please remember to do it, as this allows us to focus on the Gospel and spend less time taking down names ;) Please don't hesitate to speak with any of our Children's Liturgy volunteers after Mass if you have questions or need help with the registration process.



**VOLUNTEER COUNTERS NEEDED:** We need 2 new volunteers to join the teams that count the money from Parish offertories. We are looking for people who can offer about one-and-a-half hours once every six weeks, on either a Saturday morning or Friday afternoon. Please email [stephen@wardfamily.com](mailto:stephen@wardfamily.com).

**INTERESTED IN JOINING THE SVP?** We are looking for new members. If you are interested and didn't get to talk to us directly, please contact us on [svp@saintlaurence.org.uk](mailto:svp@saintlaurence.org.uk) for more information. Thank you to those who have volunteered already.