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evening; or by
arrangement

EMERGENCY PRAYER

LINES 9 A.M. - 9 P.M.

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THE PILGRIM

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18TH FEBRUARY 2018

6.00 p.m. Vigil Mass

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

8.00 a.m. Mass

9.30 a.m. Mass in School (Parish)

11.00 a.m. Mass (Mary, Kieran, Alicia, Kayla+)

Monday 19th February Lent Feria

9.30 a.m. Mass

Tuesday 20th February Lent Feria

9.30 a.m. Mass

Wednesday 21st February Lent Feria

12.30 p.m. Mass

Thursday 22nd February The Chair of St. Peter

9.30 a.m. Mass

Friday 23rd February Lent Feria

LENT FAST DAY

12.30 p.m. Mass (Berta Goller+)

Saturday 24th February Lent Feria

9.30 a.m. Mass

6.00 p.m. Vigil Mass

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

8.00 a.m.

9.30 a.m. Mass in School (Parish)

11.00 a.m. Mass (Steve Stafford+)

SUNDAY READINGS



1st Reading: Genesis 9: 8-15

After the Flood God renews his covenant of peace with humanity and promises never to destroy the human race again. The sign of this renewal is the rainbow in the heavens.

Psalm Response

Your ways, Lord, are faithfulness and love for those who keep your covenant.

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 3: 18-22

Christ died for our sins and was raised to life. He draws back to himself us and all who have died in Christ. Baptism is the sign of our commitment to him.

Gospel: Mark 1: 12-15

After his baptism in the Jordan Jesus was tested in the desert as he prepared for his mission of proclaiming the Kingship of God. By his endurance he renewed the peace of the Garden of Eden.

House Masses during Lent

These will be on **THURSDAYS** in the evening on the following dates:

1st March; 8th March; 15th March; 22nd March.

If you would like to host one and invite any friends or family to share in the celebration please phone the office on **Tuesday, Thursday or Friday** mornings or email **office@saintlaurence.org.uk** and we will get back to you

Week of Accompanied Prayer in Cambridge - Lent 2018

An ecumenical initiative of the Diocese of Ely Spirituality Group

This will be held at **7 Brookside, Cambridge CB2 1JE** from **Sunday 25th February - Friday 2nd March**. The opening session will be from 3 - 4.30 p.m. All participants will gather together with the Prayer Accompaniers for this introductory session. The aim is to begin to create a Community of Prayer by:

Praying together with Scripture;
Meeting one another in an informal setting;
Introducing the Prayer Guides.

The afternoon ends in small groups, each with their allocated Prayer Guide, arranging times for daily chat, allaying fears, giving helps for prayer during the week

Please see leaflets and application forms in the Narthex or Church porch.

Any queries do phone or email one of the following:

Anna Hawke CJ - AnnaH@cjcambridge.co.uk 01223 272905

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Romie Ridley - rcnridley@yahoo.co.uk

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Meet and Chat Afternoon with Tea

On **Monday 19th Feb. 2-4pm** in the parish room. If you would like a lift please contact an SVP member or call **Liz** on **07771 613102**

Lenten Lunches

During Lent the C.W.L. will be holding Lenten Lunches **each Friday**. The generous donations from these will be for **Jimmy's; Marie Curie Nurses; Diocesan Camps; Walsingham; Stroke Association.**

CAFOD

“Having read the statement from Chris Bain, the director of CAFOD (posted in the porch and the narthex and prominently displayed on the CAFOD website) concerning the situation we have all been hearing about this week to do with aid agencies, the parish clergy of St. Laurence are reassured sufficiently to encourage the parish to continue our generous and enthusiastic support for CAFOD.

Family Fast Day

This Lent we are working to combat malnutrition in Zimbabwe. Hunger can kill children, but **YOU** can help to provide seeds, fencing and farming training for families and communities so that everyone has enough to eat. All you have to do is to try and cut out just one meal or have a hunger lunch (just something small and simple) this coming **FRIDAY 23rd February** which is **CAFOD'S** family fast day. Donate the money you save and this year you are going to be giving **DOUBLE**, as the Government have promised to match our donations. Please put your donation in the envelope attached to his newsletter and remember to return the **following Sunday**. Thank you.

Catholicism

A **DVD** showing presented by Bishop Robert Barron, is held on the following Friday evenings at **7.15 p.m.** followed by a bring and share supper - **23rd Feb., 9th March**. Do come along, each session stands alone.

DVD course on the Life of Our Lady

On **Saturday 24th February** at **7.30 p.m.** in the parish room there will be the **third** of the **five** weekly sessions.

Deanery Station Mass

This will be held at the church of Our Lady and the English Martyrs on **Monday 26th February** at **7.00 p.m.** This will be preceded by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Alan with the priests of the Deanery and this will be followed by soup and cheese. **ALL VERY WELCOME.**

Help needed - 60 years at St. Laurence's!

Could you help to organise a celebration? We're looking for a small team of volunteers to arrange **2 or 3** events during 2018 in celebration of **60 years since the dedication of our church buildings**. If you could spare a little time, email **forum@saintlaurence.org.uk**



Many thanks for your generous offering to the parish last week of **£1249** plus **£637** each week by banker's order.

Pray for:

Please pray for the souls of **BERTA GOLLER** who was laid to rest last week and for **DONALD HOWARD** whose Requiem is to be arranged.

May they rest in peace and rise in glory

Day of Renewal Saturday 24th February

The day includes Holy Mass, prayer ministry and Reconciliation at Bowthorpe Church Centre Norwich NR5 9AA. For more details contact Philip on **07910157584**

Scripture Study Evenings for all in Parish Room (this week)

St. Paul's letter to the Romans

An hour's meditation and discussion on the teaching of the Apostle, with a convivial end to the evening. These evenings run from **Wed. 17th Jan - Wed. 21st March** with a break on **Feb. 14th, Ash Wednesday**. Led by Fr. Bob Eccles O.P. of Blackfriars,

Rosary Group

The Rosary Group will meet every **Wednesday afternoon** after the **12.30 p.m. Mass**. We gather in front of Our Lady's statue. All welcome.

Holy Hour Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is every Wednesday **6.00 p.m. until 7.00 p.m.** All welcome even for just a few moments.

Soulfood Prayer Group

Every **1st** and **3rd** Tuesdays at **8.00 p.m.** at St. Laurence's and every **2nd** and **4th** Tuesdays at **7.30 p.m.** in the Church of Our Lady & the English Martyrs.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Walter Baker, Weronika Niesluchowska, Margaret Evans, Millicent May, Herbert Fawcett, Hondra Wolfe, Annie Holmes, Henry Leeper, James Marron, Bob Cullum, Florence Prendergast, Tony Brotchie, Arthur Cooper, Ted Brown, Margaret Flood, Margaret Porter, Julia Birkbeck,, Harriet O'Neil, Hugh Callory.

Also for those who are sick: Louise McEwan, Martin Cox, Charles McEwan, Ruth Lindsey-Scott, Madeline Stacey, John Steel, Hyeyoen Kim, David Tomlinson, Patrick Hickey, Diogenes Da Costa, Kathie Scott, Marina Rowland, John Gannon, Teresa Brett, Nora O'Reilly, Rebecca Londei, Portia Pedragosa, Maria Carmen Morgan, Rebecca Morgan, Bernard Rudd, Ricardo Conrado Siebald and baby Reggie McGinley.