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CONFESSIONS

Sat. morning after Mass; before Mass on Sat. evening; or by arrangement

EMERGENCY PRAYER LINES 9 A.M. - 9 P.M.
276577, 351499, 354060

THE PILGRIM

pilgrim@saintlaurence.org.uk

6.00 p.m. Vigil Mass

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.00 a.m. Mass
9.30 a.m. Mass in School (Parish)
11.00 a.m. Mass

Monday 25th September Feria
9.30 a.m. Mass (Christian & Christine Anugwu [thanksgiving])

Tuesday 26th September Feria
9.30 a.m. Mass

Wednesday 27th September St. Vincent de Paul
9.30 a.m. Mass (Mary McLaughlin+)
7.30 p.m. Conversations on Letter of St. Paul to the Romans

Thursday 28th September Feria
9.30 a.m. Mass (Daniel Owens [sick])
12.15 p.m. PRE-SCHOOL MASS

Friday 29th September SS Michael, Gabriel and Raphael Archangels
12.30 p.m. Mass

Saturday 30th September St. Jerome
9.30 a.m. Mass
6.00 p.m. Vigil Mass (Lea Stewart Langley [sick])

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8.00 a.m. Mass (Gaetano Cinque [Birthday])
9.30 a.m. Mass in School (Parish)
11.00 a.m. Mass (Kathleen Tidey+)

SUNDAY READINGS



1st Reading: Isaiah 55: 6-9

God's ways are not our ways. Sometimes, they seem dark ways. Yet he calls us to trust in his goodness and love.

Psalm Response

The Lord is close to all who call him.

2nd Reading: Philippians 1: 20-24,27

Paul knew that Christ was his life. The standard by which he judged everything was the honour and glory it would bring to the Lord and the good it could contribute to the lives of others

Gospel: Matthew 20: 1-16

The Parable of the Labourers in the Vinyard shows that God's ways are not our ways. We must imagine the joy of the labourers who received a full Day's pay for a single hour's work.

First Holy Communion

Thank you for the many enquiries about our First Holy Communion programme for children not attending a Catholic school. We will be running our course as usual in the Parish Room but we don't yet have a start date. I can, however tell you that the First Holy Communion Masses will be celebrated on the weekend of **June 2nd and 3rd 2018** and we will let you know through the Parish newsletter when classes will start. If you would be interested in being part of the team please contact Fr. Pat.

Confirmation Candidates

If you are interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation you must reach the age of 13 by August 2018 or be older. The first meeting for Candidates will be **Friday, 6th October** from 6 - 8p.m. in the Parish Room. The schedule for the sessions will be given out at that meeting. For more details please email Helena at Helena@plai@plai-theatre.org or see the details on [@StLaurenceCambridge](#) Facebook Page.

Volunteers needed for GIFT

We are looking for young adults to help lead the Youth Group and Confirmation Group.. Volunteers must be 16+ and have been confirmed. Great leadership opportunity for young adults to add to CV or university applications.

Please contact Helena@plai-theatre.org if you are interested.

Saint Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) -Turning concern into action

Members of St. Laurence's SVP will talk about the work of the SVP at Masses **this weekend**. We thank parishioners for their generous response to SVP appeals which enable us to befriend and give practical support to many individuals and families in need. *We are appealing for new members.*

If you have a few hours a week to spare and are interested in joining us or finding out more, please speak to any SVP member or contact me, Catherine Warren on **07799 320331** or email svp@saintlaurence.org.uk

Pre-school Mass Thursday 28th September at 12.15 p.m.

This is a simple Mass for **all** pre-school children and their carers which is followed by an informal bring and share lunch. Do come!

Church Tidy Morning

Lots of enthusiastic helpers need to tidy up the outside area of the Church **next Saturday 30th September**. Join us after Mass, i.e. **10.15 a.m.**, to help prune, weed, sweep, clip and shovel gravel! Bring any useful tools you have. Lunch is the reward when we finish, **12.30 p.m.** at the latest. It will be great fun provided lots of people join us and it doesn't rain!

Cafod Connect2:Peru

NEXT weekend is our regular retiring collection "*A Pound for Peru*" when each family is asked, if possible, to give **£1** to fund our parish project which supports two poor parishes in Peru. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Wanted by the SVP for families in our Parish

Clothes for **9 - 12 month old baby boy**, a **2 - 3 year old girl** and a **3 - 4 year old boy** needed and a double buggy.

Also needed are second-hand children's clothes and shoes (**boys and girls 6 months - 13 years**) for a number of families in need in our Parish.

Please leave in the Parish Room marked for SVP or call **07771 613102** for collection.

Alter Servers Training

The next training course will start in **mid October**. The course is open to anyone who has completed their first Communion. If you or your child is interested in attending please e-mail Servers@room86.co.uk

Accommodation wanted

A 17 year old Italian girl in unsuitable accommodation at present, would like a room with a Catholic family until June of next year. Please contact Parish Office if anyone can help.



Many thanks for your generous offering to the parish last week of **£901** plus **£637** each week by banker's order. Retiring collection last week for **Home Mission** raised **£127**

Congratulations

We welcomed into God's family through the Sacrament of Baptism **RONIN TYLER** and **NOELLE BURNS**.

May they grow in the faith of Jesus Christ

CELEBRATE 28TH - 29TH OCTOBER

This is a Catholic Charismatic Weekend for the whole family being held at Nicholas Breakspear School, St. Albans, phone **01727 760079** Booking office open now. These weekends provide for the wide variety of age groups within a joy filled, warm atmosphere. Worship, drama, teaching, workshops, Mass and friendships are all key elements that go to make up a Celebrate Weekend.

Places fill up very quickly and booking online is now open **stalbans@celebrateconference.org**. or phone Nessa **07712289434** or Sandy **07714462151** for a seat on the bus and for catering purposes.

Job Offer

P/T Warehouse Assistant required for immediate start. If interested please contact **07748234741**

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 **8.00 p.m.** in the Parish Hall of Our Lady & the English Martyrs church.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Diana Welton, Helene McAdam, Bridget Bones, Roland Hill, Gerald Dellar, Luio Fernandes, Jackie Hall, Teresa Joyce, Sean O'Garvaig, Cynthia Davidson, Violet Simmons, David Watts, Oliver Cooper.

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, Angel Fernandez Garcia, Nora O'Reilly and Rebecca Londei .