



Diocese of London - Willesden Episcopal Area  
**The Parish Church of St. Lawrence Little Stanmore**  
alias **Whitchurch**



**Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**20<sup>th</sup> June 2010**

*WELCOME to our Eucharistic celebration on this Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Out of a seemingly innocent question posed by Jesus in our Gospel reading to-day, comes the dark shadow of the cross: Jesus must teach his disciples that to be the Anointed One, the Christ, means to follow the path of sacrifice to the very end. Jesus Christ is not a king who comes with armies, but a king who comes with truth and humility and who is prepared to die for that truth about God's Kingdom. But the mourning is always to be seen in the light of Easter, when Jesus was raised to life on the third day*

**FIRST READING**                    *Zechariah 12:10-11. 13:1*

It is the Lord who speaks: Over the House of David and the citizens of Jerusalem I will pour out a spirit of kindness and prayer. They will look on the one whom they have pierced; they will mourn for him as for an only son, and weep for him as people weep for a first-born child. When that day comes, there will be great mourning in Judah, like the mourning of Hadad-rimmon in the plain of Megiddo. 13:1 When that day comes, a fountain will be opened for the House of David and the citizens of Jerusalem, for sin and impurity.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**            *Ps 62*

**R/ For you my soul is thirsting, O God, my God.**

1. O God, you are my God, for you I long;  
for you my soul is thirsting.  
My body pines for you  
like a dry, weary land without water.    **R/**
2. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary  
to see your strength and your glory.  
For your love is better than life,  
my lips will speak your praise.            **R/**
3. So I will bless-You all my life,  
in your name I will lift up my hands.  
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,  
my mouth shall praise you with joy.    **R/**
4. For you have been my help;  
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.  
My soul clings to you;  
your right hand holds me fast.            **R/**

**SECOND READING**            *Galatians 3:26-29*

You are, all of you, sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. All baptised in Christ, you have all clothed yourselves in Christ, and there are no more distinctions between Jew and Greek, slave and free, male and female, but all of you are one in Christ Jesus. Merely by belonging to Christ you are the posterity of Abraham, the heirs he was promised.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**            *John 18: 12*

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord,  
anyone who follows me  
will have the light of life.  
Alleluia!!

**GOSPEL**                            *Luke 9:18-24*

One day when Jesus was praying alone in the presence of his disciples he put this question to them, 'Who do the crowds say I am?' And they answered, 'John the Baptist; others Elijah; and others say one of the ancient prophets come back to life'. 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' It was Peter who spoke up. 'The Christ of God' he said. But he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone anything about this.

'The Son of Man' he said 'is destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes and to be put to death, and to be raised up on the third day.'

Then to all he said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross every day and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, that man will save it.'

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*Welcome to the Christian Family here at S Lawrence's, particularly to any visitors or newcomers who might be here for the first time. There is a Sunday School and Crèche for our younger members which meets during the first part of The Parish Eucharist - please see one of the Sidemen at the back for further details. At the heart of this service is the reception of Holy Communion and everyone is encouraged to come up to the Altar Rails. All who are communicant members of their own churches are welcome to communion if not, then, please come and bow your head to receive a Blessing.*

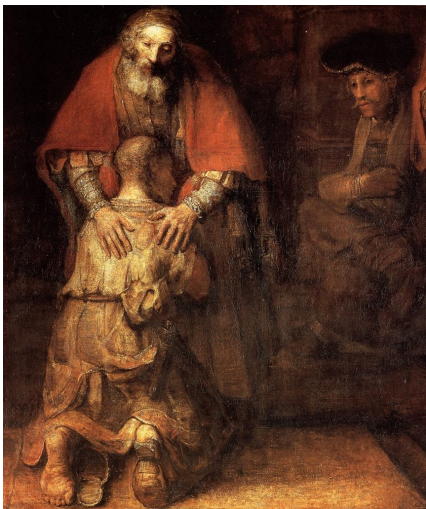
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**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

*The Sick* Ethan Alston Audrey Amps Edith Bowlt, Paul Bugden, Maureen Cope, Chris, Pat Evans Carol Fuller Brenda Gilbert, Linda Jackson, Trevor Johns, Sue Jones, Donald McLean Christine Ploss Marian Ramsay Susan Ringrose Dorothy Ringguth, Fiona Shafran, Glenys Shah, Graham Sivyer, Carol Spencer, Judy Tayler - Smith, Vi Smith, John Trimbe Doreen Windsor  
The Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital, St Luke's Hospice Knights Court & Whitchurch Lodge Residential Homes

**The Departed**

Recently Dinah Parker  
*Years Mind* Charles Atkinson, Duncan Bailey, Percy Benjamin Eileen Foley, Jim Golden, Giuseppe Grasso, Peter Humeny, Gertrude Israel, Anthony Kew, Arthur Paine, Vera Miles, Paul Smith Iris Trimbe Richard Trinder, Edna Woods



Father! To God himself  
we cannot give a holier name!

Heavenly Father,  
you entrusted your Son Jesus,  
the child of Mary,  
to the care of Joseph, an earthly father.  
Bless all fathers  
as they care for their families.  
Give them strength and wisdom,  
tenderness and patience;  
support them in the work they have to do,  
protecting those who look to them,  
as we look to you for love and salvation,  
through Jesus Christ our rock and defender.  
Amen.

The greatest gift I ever had came from God:

I call him Father!

**THIS WEEK AT ST LAWRENCE' S**

- 20 **12<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**08:00 The Eucharist**  
**10:00 The Parish Eucharist**  
**18:00 Evening Prayer**
- 22 *Tuesday 12th Week of Ordinary Time*  
09:30 The Eucharist
- 23 *Ethelreda, Religious*  
11:00 *The Eucharist @ Edgware Abbey*
- 24 *Birth of John the Baptist - Solemnity*  
19:30 The Eucharist
- 27 **13<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
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Always at your service is your **Rector & Parish Priest**  
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**CHRISTMAS FAIR** Yes it's that time again to think about both format and the arrangements for the Christmas Fair! There will be a brief meeting after The Parish Eucharist on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June to which we hope as many people as possible will stay for twenty minutes or so. The meeting will be facilitated by Bridget Johnson and Brenda Eustace but they are NOT the Fair organisers! Our thanks to Doreen Durham for all she has done in bring the Fair together in previous years. . .

**Fr Matthew Stone Vicar of All Saints Queensbury (ASQ) writes:** "Each year ASQ arranges a Parish Outing by coach to a Cathedral. Last year we went to Wells in Somerset, this year on Saturday 17th July 2010 we are going to St Albans Abbey! The details of the trip are as follows:

Leave ASQ: 9am  
Arrive at St Albans: c. 10.15am  
Communion Service: 10.30am  
Tour [Optional at a cost of £2 per person] c. 11am  
Free time: 11am-3pm  
Leave St Albans: 3pm  
Arrive ASQ: c. 4pm

The folk from St Lawrence's are very welcome to join us. Cost £10 per person - cheap! Bookings to Fr Matthew, please (email: [matthew.stone1@virgin.net](mailto:matthew.stone1@virgin.net) or telephone 020 8952 4536)."