

2nd Sunday OT
Year C
Psalter Week 2

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CHURCH OPEN

Daily 8am until dusk.

COFFEE HUB

Saturdays 10am –

11.30am

CONFESSIONS

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

BAPTISMS

Please contact the parish office.

EMERGENCY PRAYER LINES

9am–9pm 276577,

351499, 354060

THE PILGRIM

pilgrim@saintlaurence.org.uk

Roman Catholic

Diocese of East Anglia

Registered Charity

number: 278742

Saturday	18 th	January	Feria
9 am		Rosary	
9.30 am		Mass	
10 am		Confessions	<i>until 10.30 am</i>
5.30 pm		Confessions	<i>until 5.50 pm</i>
6 pm		Mass	
7.30pm		Mass in Polish	
Sunday	19 th	January	2 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
8 am		Mass	For the People
9.30 am		Mass	Tom Ferran + (MB)
11 am		Mass	Augusta Gonzalez Deane (NA)
Monday	20 th	January	Feria
9:30		Mass	
Tuesday	21 st	January	St Agnes
12:00 pm		Funeral Mass	Brian Philips +
Wednesday	22 nd	January	Feria
5.30pm		Confessions	<i>until 5.50pm</i>
6pm		Mass	
6.30pm		Adoration	<i>until 7pm</i>
Thursday	23 rd	January	Feria
9.30		Mass	
Friday	24 th	January	St Francis de Sales
12.30 pm		Mass	George Peterson + (AA)
Saturday	25 th	January	The Conversion of St Paul
9 am		Rosary	
9.30 am		Mass	
10 am		Confessions	<i>until 10.30 am</i>
5.30pm		Confessions	<i>until 5.50 pm</i>
6 pm		Mass	Brenda & Lawrence West + (RB)
7.30pm		Mass in Polish	
Sunday	26 th	January	3 rd Sunday OT – The Word of God
8 am		Mass	For the people
9.30 am		Mass	
11 am		Mass	

Did you know you can receive the Newsletter contents by email every Friday? Sign up at <https://saintlaurence.org.uk/list/>

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 (CTS 971)

First Reading: Isaiah 62: 1-5

The bridegroom rejoices over the bride.

Psalms 96 (95)

Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples.

Second Reading: 1 Cor. 12: 4-11

The one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

Gospel: John 2: 1-11

This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee.

Those recently deceased

Brian Phillips, Pat Morris, Anne Maddocks, Gina Compagni, Elena Corlito, Elizabeth Barrand, Patrick Mongan, Julia Reeve, Rick Glasswell, Eileen McEwan, Jean Blackburn, Helen Kennedy, Kathleen Keady, Bob Goodyear, Maureen Cox, Patricia Murphy.

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Walter Kidman, Fr Derrick Morgan, Doris Arnold, Patrick Garrett, Charlotte Scott, Kathleen Isden, Robert Callanan, James Cummins, James Joseph O'Sullivan, Helen Rosina Clark, James Francis McEvoy (Seamus), John Wharton, Margaret Simmons, Frances Sheppard Prof. Charles Shelden, Clarry Gordon, Michael Maughan, Margaret Jarrett, Agnes Menzies Stewart, Thomas Patrick Moran, Edmund Ward, Arthur Joseph Burke, Bob Shendan, Euphemia Jones, Jane Veronica Warne, Caroline Mageean, Bessie Baxter, Barbara Peache, Carolyn Purdie, Vala Tundak Joseph Peter Ollerhead, Thin Hoang, Elsie Evans, Laurence Tierney, Michael Naughton Betty Slarks, Berta Goller

Those who are sick

John Mongan, Peter Bradshaw, Shelly Ward, Chris Duckworth, Mary Holmes, Sennan Bolger, Tony Cook, Daniel Clark, Sue Goodbody, Mary & Paul Black, Satti Apudrai, Leo & Claire Rossiter, 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, Anne Baytell, Patricia Bentley.

Message

*My Beloved Members of St. Laurence Parish Family,
Greetings of peace and joy in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!*

As I step into this new role, I am filled with gratitude to God for entrusting me with the privilege of serving this vibrant and international parish community. Together, we embark on a journey of faith, hope and love, grounded in the Gospel of Christ and guided by the example of our patron, St. Laurence, whose life reminds us of the call to faithful service and charity.

This is an exciting time for the parish as you welcome a religious community (The Order of Clerics regular Minor – Adorno Fathers). Having a community of priests and religious serving in pastoral care is a new chapter for St. Laurence Parish, and it brings with it an opportunity for us all to deepen our unity and strengthen our faith. As St. Paul writes, "There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord" (1 Corinthians 12:5). Together, we form one body in Christ, each of us contributing our unique gifts for the good of the whole.

Change can be both challenging and enriching. I encourage each of us to approach this new experience with open hearts and a spirit of cooperation. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us, "The Church, in Christ, is like a sacrament—a sign and instrument, that is, of communion with God and of unity among all men" (CCC 775). Let us embrace this opportunity to grow closer to God and to one another, fostering a spirit of unity that reflects the love of Christ. Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, often reminds us of the joy of the Gospel and the call to be missionary disciples. He says, "A community of missionary disciples is a community that draws others to Christ through witness and love" (Evangelii Gaudium). Let us strive to be such a community, radiating the light of Christ to all who enter our parish and beyond. As we begin this new chapter, I assure you of my prayers and my commitment to walking alongside you in faith. Together, let us build a parish community that truly reflects the love, mercy, and joy of the Gospel. May St. Laurence and our Blessed Mother intercede for us and inspire us to serve with generosity and humility. I embrace you all in Christ's love,

*Fr. Robin Mampallithadathil CRM
Priest in charge*



Notable and New

PARISH ATTENDANCE REGISTRATION FOR CHILDREN: Catholic Safeguarding regulations require all parishes to keep an attendance register for church activities involving young people and adults at risk, with contact details for the responsible adult (if appropriate). Thanks to a smart and hard-working team we now have a simple system for families to register online or in-person. We will introduce it for Children's Liturgy and provide guidance after 9:30 & 11:00 am Masses on 19 & 26 January. You can use the QR code above to access the security application and the training guide.

KEYSAFE CHANGE: We plan on changing the combination code on the main key safe in early February. If you need access to the keys in the safe, please contact the office, letting us know which keys you need access to, and why. We will create a new list of keyholders and circulate the new combination before it is set.

TAKING LITURGY SERIOUSLY: This is an online course run by the Society of St Gregory, the society for Music and Liturgy. It will be taught in a series of modules throughout the year and with a focus on Liturgical Spirituality. If you think this might help you to be a member of the worshipping community and to help others, do check it out on the website <https://ssg.org.uk/taking-liturgy-seriously-3/> or contact courses@ssg.org.uk

AFTERNOON OF RECOLLECTION FOR WOMEN: 26th January 2025 from 2.30 to 4.30pm. An opportunity to spend time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and listen to guided prayer with Fr Paul Diaper, Opus Dei priest, say the rosary, and be present at Adoration and Benediction. Confessions and spiritual direction will be available. All women welcome. For further information please get in touch with Judith Sheehan 07868055620

PRAYER VIGIL FOR PEACE: Tuesday 21st Jan (7.30 - 8pm online) - All welcome. To join use this Zoom link (Meeting ID: 817 3822 5074/ Passcode: 103176). Organised by the Cambridge Justice & Peace Group, inspired by reflections for this week's Peace Sunday.

PROTECTING LIFE ON OUR PLANET: God's gift of Creation is in peril, but, inspired by Pope Francis, we must not lose hope. Our MPs can soon vote to support the Climate and Nature Bill in a fair and democratic way. Please see Zero Hour - Join the campaign for the Climate & Nature Bill to find out more, including how you can quickly contact your MP ahead of this important vote on 24th January.

Other news

PLEASE PRAY FOR parishioner Brian Philips who has died recently, and for his family who mourn him. Brian's funeral Mass will be on Tuesday 21st January at 12 noon. All are welcome.

HAVE YOU REGISTERED WITH THE PARISH? It's great to know who our parishioners are and to have your contact details. We currently have over 500 people registered in our database. If you've never registered or have moved recently, fill out the form at <https://saintlaurence.org.uk/buildingup/>.