

# CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST GEORGE

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*28<sup>th</sup> July 2013*

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## **SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (C)**

In today's Gospel, the disciples see Jesus praying and they say to Him, 'Lord, teach us to pray.' He responds by giving them the words of the *Our Father*. The *Our Father* is a summary of the whole Gospel; it is the Christian life in a nutshell.

In short, the purpose of the *Our Father*, and all of our prayer life is to honour God, to pledge ourselves to His will, to ask for our daily needs, to beg forgiveness for our sins, and to seek His help when we are tempted. These sentiments are all contained in the *Our Father*. We are all taught this prayer as children, and it can so easily fall from our lips, but today, let us find some time to pray it slowly and reflect on each line, so that we can draw strength from it.

In the second half of the Gospel, and also in the first reading, the importance of perseverance and persistence in prayer is emphasised. Sometimes it may feel as if our prayers go unanswered, but perhaps we do not pray for what is truly good for us. We need the guidance of the Holy Spirit to help us identify our real needs, and move us to ask for them. That is why the *Our Father* has 'thy Kingdom come' before 'give us our daily bread.' If God is first, our lives will be rightly ordered and all else will flow from that.

May the words of the Lord's Prayer penetrate us, and may we model our own prayer lives on it.

**Fr Maurice**

**BAPTISMS:** By appointment. Prior attendance to Baptism Course required.

**MARRIAGES:** By appointment. Six months notice is required.

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**FR MAURICE:** Fr Maurice will be away for a few weeks, during which time Fr David will assist Fr Mark with pastoral duties in the parish.

**WEEKDAY MASSES AND NEWSLETTERS DURING AUGUST:** Please note that there will be no 7am weekday Masses from Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July until Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September. 9.15am daily Masses will continue as normal. There will also be no newsletters during August – for details of upcoming Mass intentions please refer to the noticeboard in the porch.

**FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION:** Please note that Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August is the feast of the Assumption of Our Lady, a holy day of obligation. There will be a Vigil Mass on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm, and Masses at 9.15am and 7.30pm on the day.

**ADORATION:** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will cease from Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July and will resume from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September.

**SENIOR CITIZENS' CLUB:** The Senior Citizens' club will resume on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September.

**SVP:** The next SVP meeting will be on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September at 9.00am.

**FINANCE MEETING:** The next finance committee meeting will take place on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July at 8pm in the presbytery. All committee members are asked to attend.

**FIRST COMMUNION 2014:** Thank you to the parents who have already come for meetings. The First Communion programme is for children in next year's year 4 and above. If you have not already done so, please sign up for an appointment to see Fr Mark. There is a list at the back of the Church.

**EASTER 2014 PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND:** If you've ever thought of going to Jerusalem, this could be the time. I'm organizing a 9 day tour to all the holy places that you've heard and read about all through your Christian life. What excitement to be standing on holy ground, where Jesus and his disciples stood! I've led groups to Israel 7 times but never at Easter. 22 pilgrims have booked up, so don't let this trip of a lifetime pass you by. For more information contact Joe Elwood (0208 520 3455).

**PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO AVILA:** There will be a meeting today, Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July at 3pm in the Parish Hall to discuss this pilgrimage.

**CATHOLIC DISTANCE LEARNING:** Distance Learning courses with convenient study days: Beginning Autumn 2013 Maryvale Institute and Sion Community are collaborating to facilitate New Evangelisation & Ministry Courses. Study at home with tutor support from Maryvale. Attend Study Days in Brentwood, Essex – one per term. This course will help deepen and develop your faith and bring increased confidence and skills in your ministry to others. Pathways offered: Parish Ministry, Ministry to the

Sick, Youth Ministry & Family Ministry. Contact: Maryvale Institute, Tel. 0121 360 8118, email: [evangelisation@maryvale.ac.uk](mailto:evangelisation@maryvale.ac.uk), website: [www.maryvale.ac.uk](http://www.maryvale.ac.uk)  
 'Taster days' are available 24-25<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2013 at Summer School, Buckfast Abbey.  
 Contact: [artassistant@maryvale.ac.uk](mailto:artassistant@maryvale.ac.uk)

**YOUTH 2000 SUMMER PRAYER FESTIVAL:** The Youth 2000 prayer festival takes place each summer in Walsingham. It's a fantastic, low cost, Eucharistic Retreat where young people and young adults meet like-minded Catholics and often come back with their lives completely changed. Over 1,000 young people aged 16-30 descend on Walsingham for four days of engaging talks, prayer, fellowship, adoration sports and a whole lot more. The web site is: <http://www.youth2000.org>  
 There will be a coach from East London, which departs Friday evening 23rd August (with pick ups in Stratford, Ilford and Walthamstow) and returns Monday 26th August (bank holiday). For more information about the coach, email Joanne - [Youth2000EastLondonCoach@gmail.com](mailto:Youth2000EastLondonCoach@gmail.com)

**ITALIAN LESSONS:** Italian for complete beginners. Lessons start in September at the Pastoral Centre of Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Small and friendly classes taught by a very experienced and qualified Italian tutor. For more information call 0203 384 1522 or visit [www.smartlanguages.com](http://www.smartlanguages.com).

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**RIP**

Your prayers are asked for the repose of the souls of:

Lena Farquharson whose Requiem Mass will take place on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July at 1.30pm, followed by burial at the City of London Cemetery.

Assuntina Avila who died recently. Her funeral will take place on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July at 12.00pm at St Patrick's Cemetery.

May they rest in peace.

**ROTAS – AUGUST**

Christian Kitchen:	3/8 <b>Nor</b>	10/8 <b>H</b>	17/8 <b>A</b>	24/8 <b>B</b>	31/8 <b>C</b>
Counting:	4/8 <b>B</b>				
Hospital: If you are unavailable please contact Serge 020 8527 4814	4/8 <b>A</b>	11/8 <b>B</b>	18/8 <b>D</b>	25/8 <b>A</b>	

Last week's offertory collection was £1377.92  
 Thank you very much for your generosity.

***Times and Intentions at Our Lady and St. George***  
**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (C)**

6.00pm	Assis Dias (RIP)
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> July	<b><i>Seventeenth Sunday of the Year (C)</i></b>
8.30am	Bridie Cullen (RIP)
10.00am	Sr Felicity, Sr Margaret & household (Ints)
12.00pm	Celia Maria Lanontagne (RIP)
6.30pm	<i>[Ordinariate Mass]</i>
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> July	<b><i>St Martha</i></b>
9.15am	Colette Affi (RIP)
Tue 30 <sup>th</sup> July	<b><i>St Peter Chrysologus</i></b>
9.15am	Agnelo Rodrigues (Ints)
Wed 31 <sup>st</sup> July	<b><i>St Ignatius of Loyola</i></b>
9.15am	Special Ints
Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup> Aug	<b><i>St Alphonsus Liguori</i></b>
9.15am	Special Ints
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> Aug	<b><i>St Eusebius; St Peter Julian Eymard (First Friday)</i></b>
9.15am	Mary Jordan (Ints)
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> Aug	<b><i>Weekday</i></b>
10.00am	Baby Eva (RIP)
6.00pm	Joaquim Dias (RIP)
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> Aug	<b><i>Eighteenth Sunday of the Year (C)</i></b>
8.30am	Julian Rodrigues (Ints)
10.00am	Steven Rodrigues (Ints)
12.00pm	Parish
6.30pm	<i>[Ordinariate Mass]</i>
<i>Please refer to the noticeboard for Mass intention details for the remainder of August</i>	

**We pray for those in our parish community who are ill:**

Christopher Browne, Rose Dennehy, Carol Hogermeer, Brian Keane, Ignatius Keane, Tony McCarthy, Rose O'Neill, Andrea Roberts, Promise Shinondo, Victoria Wyndham, Christine Conway, Nora Meades, Veronica Nolan, Mr & Mrs Charles, Maureen Bee, Denis Collins, Esperanza Buenaventura, Joyce Ross, Christine Raymond, Jacky Boyrow, Thelma Lewis, Tasmin Sparks, Eileen Karim, Sandra Gibson, Angelina Hoareau, Archie Garrod, Gilda Baptiste, Margaret Messenger, Martin Keane, Muriel Chetty, Masangela Tardioli, Alix Charlery, Adeline Rosario, Natalie Rosario, Ronald Rolle. Bridie Lacon, Peter Ikuptati. Mercy Fernando, Veronica Godsave, Phoebe Roach. Mary and Anthony O'Boyle, Oliver Gaynor, Marjorie Singh, Gunanesan Singarajah, Joan Beirne, Bill Walsh, Margaret Perry, Bridget Lyons, Marie Kinnane

**Morning Prayer:**

**Rosary:**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

**Mon-Fri: 9.00am. Sat. 9.45 am**

**Weekdays after morning Mass**

**Sat. 10.30am – 11.00am. 5.00pm – 5.30pm (Or on request)**