

Catholic Parish of Our Lady and St George

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Our Lady and St George's Primary School:

Lower Site 8520 8500. Upper Site: 8520 3552

Holy Family Catholic College: 8520 0482/8520 3587

Charity Number: 234092

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY – 26/27 SEPTEMBER, 2020

1st Sept – 4th October – Season of Creation

Dear Parishioners,

Like all of Jesus' parables, this one is just waiting to be turned on us. Or as Jesus says by way of introduction to his parable: what is your opinion? Like the second son in the parable, our presence here at Mass says 'yes' to the Father.

- We gather. This is a 'yes' to community, to neighbourliness, to care for others.
- We acknowledge our sinfulness. This is 'yes' to authentic tolerance, rather than the mere Political Correctness imposter. If we stand in need of mercy, we realize that others have the same need.
- We listen to God's word. This is a 'yes' to being challenged by God's way of thinking, and willingness to leave aside some of our spontaneous reactions and mindsets.
- We share at the Lord's Table. This is a 'yes' to 'communion' with others, and all that this means; it is a 'yes' to being strengthened by the Lord so that we might live in his truth and in his love.
- We pray the Lord's prayer together, and in that prayer we say 'yes' to forgiveness, even when it is difficult; we agree not to write anyone off.
- We pray for peace and offer each other a sign of peace. This is a 'yes' to being peacemakers in our homes, workplaces, schools, clubs and our neighbourhoods.

So then, what is your opinion? All those ways in which we say 'yes': will they stack up? Will they find traction? During this coming week, will the 'yes' we speak here leave a visible trace in our lives and in the lives of others? In a work of theology he wrote before becoming Pope Benedict XVI, Joseph Ratzinger coined a lovely phrase: he wrote about the need to be 'constant in the yes.' The future pope pointed out that the only way to be constant is to be always willing to change, to be continually converted away from our tendency to say 'no' to the things of God.

Have a Blessed Week

Canon Niall

MARRIAGES: By appointment. At least six months' notice is required. Please speak to one of the priests for more information.

A big thank you to Lucy Noel for making beautiful altar clothes.

Birthday Blessings to Ellen Hearte who celebrated her birthday recently.

Congratulations and welcome to Sarah Noshaais Khiljee who will enter in the community of faith through the sacrament of Baptism. Every blessings to the family.

Congratulations and Blessings to who will receive Holy Communion for the first time at the 1.30 pm Mass today.

Following the latest restrictions only 6 people are permitted at Baptisms; and 15 at weddings and 30 continues for funerals.

Sarah Bernedette Larkin, Rest in Peace: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Sarah Bernedette Larkin, Rest in Peace. The Requiem Mass will be on Monday 5th of October in the City of London Cemetery Chapel followed by burial.

Sacrament of Confirmation – plans are afoot to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for all the candidates in the near future. Please keep up to date on the parish website.

Fraudster Attempts: Several fraudster attempts to steal have taken place in neighbouring parishes. For details look at the notice board.

Visiting Priests: In this pandemic please note come to visit the priests in the presbytery having made an appointment.

Those who hold the following envelope numbers on giftaid please report to either one of the priests. **3015, 3030,3118, 3221, 3242 & 3278.**

Guidelines on reopening of the Church

- Please follow one way system, social distancing and the guidance by the volunteers.
- If you have an illness/feeling unwell, please remain at home until you are fully recovered.
- Entrance only through the front door and exit only through the farther right side door near the sanctuary.
- You will be signed into Mass – Name and Telephone.
- Use Sanitizers, gloves and face coverings/masks.
- Please observe all the signs of social distancing regarding where to sit/kneel in the church.
- Keep social distancing.
- No Altar-servers, readers and deacon for the liturgy.

- Very brief homily.
 - There will be no offertory procession of gifts and collection during Holy Mass; instead you may drop your contribution at the basket kept at the entrance and exit as well.
 - There is no exchange of the sign of peace.
 - After the prayer “*Behold the Lamb of God . . . Lord I am not worthy,*” when the priest holds up the host and says “*The Body of Christ*” the congregation respond “*Amen*”. In the same way, when the priest elevates the chalice and says “*The Blood of Christ*” the congregation respond “*Amen*”. The communion will be distributed in silence.
 - Communicants may receive Holy Communion, in their hands, palms upwards, one on the top of the other, should be extended as flatly as possible.
 - No Extra ordinary Lay ministers of Holy Communion.
 - Come to receive Holy Communion only under the guidance of the stewards.
 - Come early for weekend Masses - church capacity is only 150.
 - It is not a known fact on how many people will attend mass. Consequently one way of managing this is for people to come to the weekday masses in the church.
 - Offertory collection and donations to be placed in the baskets as you exit after Holy Mass.
 - Priests are told to go directly to the sacristy after mass.
- Mass times: Weekday Mass:** 9.15 am and 6.00 pm
Saturday: 10.00 am and 6.00 pm
Sunday: 10.00 am and 12.00 pm
- There will be no hand outs (Mass sheets, News Letters, hymn books etc..) for the masses for the foreseeable future.
 - Choir returns in September.
 - Families or individuals please sit and kneel at the places assigned.
 - Neither holy water nor votive candles are available at present.
 - Please refrain from touching statues.
 - No access to the toilets, but only in emergency.
Please leave the church promptly.

Counting Rota	27/09E	04/10B	11/10E	18/10B	25/10F
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**Our parish safe guarding officials are
Jenny Richmond and Marina Tuddy.
Samaritans 020 8520 9191.**

Mass Times and Intentions at Our Lady and St. George

6.00 pm	Sebastian's Intentions (Mathew & Mariamma Thalanany)
Sun 27 Sep	TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) – The Harvest Festival
10.00 am	Brian Thomas Hames (Rest in Peace) (Allison)
12.00 noon	Rouf Tobia
02.30 pm	Syro Malabar Mass
Mon 28 Sep	FERIA
9.15 am	John & Mary Staunton (Rest in Peace) (Sr. Anne Marie)
6.00 pm	Jithin & Joel's Intentions.
Tue 29 Sep	Ss. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels - Feast
9.15 am	Leonida Ebreo
6.00p m	Christopher Ramsey's Intentions (Betty)
Wed 30 Sep	St. Jerome, Pr, D – Memorial
9.15 am	Deceased of the Baptist family (Marine)
6.00 pm	Shannon Ramsey's Intentions (Betty)
Thu 01 Oct	Sr. Therese of the Child Jesus (Lisieux) , V, D – Memorial
9.15 am	Zayany Shaika Intentions. (Betty)
6.00 pm	Holy souls
Fri 02 Oct	The Holy Guardian Angels – Memorial
9.15 am	Eileen Balfe (Rest in Peace)
6.00 pm	Enid Thomas (Rest in Peace) (Sydney Thomas)
Sat 03 Oct	FERIA
10.00 am	Nachathiram Michael Pillai (Rest in Peace) (family)
6.00 pm	Deceased of the Baptist family (Marine)
Sun 04 Oct	TWENTY-SEVENTHSUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) – The Harvest Festival
10.00 am	Bruno D'Souza (Rest in Peace) (Family)
12.00 noon	Fawzia Tobia
02.30 pm	Syro Malabar Mass

Prayer List

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 and Mrs Charles, Esperanza Buenaventura, Joyce Ross, Christine Raymond, Jacky Boyrow, Thelma Lewis, Tasmin Sparks, Eileen Karim, Sandra Gibson, Archie Garrod, Martin Keane, Alix Charlery, Bridie Lacon, Peter Ikuptati, Mercy Fernando, Veronica Godsave, Oliver Gaynor, Marjorie Singh, Gunanesan Singarajah, Bill Walsh, Bridget Lyons, Kristina Klimasauskaite, Philomena Spranklen, Jeffrey Mitchell, Michelle Boyle, Carla Cornelius, Cecelia Gibbs, Arthur Gibbs, Ural Gibbs, Gilbert Gibbs, Archie, George and Issac, Luis and Lukas, Comfort Kwawu, Judith Hilton, Gloria and Tracy Joseph, Regina Jose, Kojo Gyebi-Ababio, Thampirajah Baskaran, Linda Campbell, Brid O'Halloran, Hazel Belizaire, Tina Henriques, Neill, Alan and Ross Smith, Stefan, Monica Baugh, Eileen O Kane, Grace McCaley, Jadwiga, Matthias Fredberg, Michael White, Fr. Jean Laurent Marie, Roy and Margaret Bandhu, Alma Willox, John Walsh, Chantale Wildman, Christopher Almeida, Aileen Mensah, Sr. Helen, Sebastian, Pat Howland, Josephine Walsh (Paul), Jennie Richmond, Terry Coe, Stephen Donnelly, Daniel Donnelly. Sruthy, Brendan Mc Donagh (aged 5), Liberee Uwimana, Violet Alahendran, Bernedette Doherty.