

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

**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) – (Racial Justice Day)
Year of St. Joseph (31.01.2021)**

Dear Parishioners,

January has been liturgically turbo-charged month!! We have had World day of Prayer for Peace, the Solemnity of the Mother of God, Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord, the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Sunday of the Word of God and Catholic School's Week. I love the line from a long evening hymn by Eli Jenkins from Under Milk Wood by Dylan. Thomas (1914-1953): "O please to keep Thy lovely eye/On all poor creature born involvement in a world as shown to us by Jesus and his healing in the synagogue of a man in convulsions, where birth and death alike open doors of perception for us".

Jesus did not deny the communion of his presence to this unclean spirits to give his 'Yes' to every 'No'. it was an ecumenism of wounded hands, a realization, that we cannot heal ourselves until it includes reconciliation with what and who divides us. Jesus lived the words of the Collect today: 'to love everyone in truth of heart'. Jesus helps a man to literally stand on his own two feet and find new way of being in his own body that was tortured emotionally, physically, mentally and spiritually.

A month on from our Christmas celebrations and in Catholic Schools Week, it is timely to appreciate that God's gift to us at Christmas is the gift of relationship, not just a human relationship, but a relationship to God our Father. We learn from the man possessed by the unclean spirit. He shouts his recognition of Jesus. He publically declares his faith: 'I know that you are the Holy One of God' (Mk 1,24). This is what Catholic Schools' week is about: to stay alert in the almost unbearable present moment where Jesus is – rather than look to an unreal future or take refuge in an imaginary past.

I am reminded of what Chinua Achebe (1930-2013), a Nigerian author of, Things Fall Apart, who once wrote about being raised a Christian

in his Nigerian village, and discouraged by his parents from being too absorbed in the traditional village life said: ‘that experience was not a separation but a bringing together.’

‘O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts (Psalm 94:9).

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.

Live-Streaming Mass: Due to the emerging widespread of covid-19, we have sadly and temporarily closed the Church from Thursday, 7th January 2021. It is our hope that we will be able to offer public Mass in the near future. Hence we revive live-streaming Mass every morning via the parish account in YouTube. Thank you for your patience and God bless you all.

Link: <https://youtu.be/scrTtQqfuf8>

John Moore, Rest in Peace: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of John Moore, Rest in Peace. The Requiem Mass for John Moore’s soul will be on Tuesday 2nd February 2021 at 11.45am in Our Lady and St. George Church.

Victoria Wyndham, Rest in Peace: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Victoria Wyndham, Rest in Peace. The Requiem Mass for Victoria Wyndham’s soul will be on Friday 5^h February 2021 at 10.00am at Our Lady and St. George Church.

Peter Raffo, Rest in Peace: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Peter Raffo, Rest in Peace. The Requiem Mass for Peter Raffo’s soul will be on Thursday 11th February 2021 at 12.00 in Our Lady and St. George Church.

Roy Bandhu, Rest in Peace: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Roy Bandhu, Rest in Peace. Our sincere condolence to the family. The funeral arrangements are being finalized.

Delphina Glah, Rest in Peace: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Delphina Glah, Rest in Peace. Our sincere condolence to the family. The funeral arrangements are being finalized.

Dean Osie, Rest in Peace: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Dean Osie, Rest in Peace. Our sincere condolence to the family. The funeral arrangements are being finalized.

The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes in 2021 is planned for Sunday 25 – Friday 30 July. However, because of Covid-19 it is not possible to know yet whether a pilgrimage will be practical or in what form. Therefore, any decisions and announcements regarding the Diocesan Pilgrimage will be made in January.

Stay at Home. Be Safe.

**Our parish safe guarding officials are Jenny Richmond and Marina Tudda.
Samaritans 020 8520 9191.**

Mass Times and Intentions at Our Lady and St. George

Sun 31 Jan	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) – (Racial Justice Day)
10.00 am	Carole Hodges (Rest in Peace) (Thomas Caluori)
	Ursula Thomas' Intentions (Family)
Mon 01 Feb	Feria
9.15 am	Almeida Family Intentions (Carol)
	Intentions (Sr. Scholastica)
Tue 02 Feb	The Presentation of the Lord – Feast
9.15 am	Clergy of the Parish (Louella)
	Johnny Horgan (Rest in Peace) (Gene)
Wed 03 Feb	St. Anne Line, M – Diocesan Momerial
9.15 am	Marie and Family (Sr. Anne Marie)
	Johnny Horgan (Rest in Peace) (Gene)
04 Feb	Feria
9.15 am	Michael Daly (Rest in Peace) (Roseline)
	Eileen Fouhy (Rest in Peace) (Jeff)
Fri 05 Feb	St. Agatha, V, M – Memorial
9.15 am	Frank Murphy (Rest in Peace) (Family)
	Johnny Horgan (Rest in Peace) (Gene)
Sat 06 Feb	St. Paul Miki and Companions, Mm – Memorial
10.00 am	Tina Horn (Rest in Peace)
	Bernard Carey (Rest in Peace)
Sun 07 Feb	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) – (World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life)
10.00 am	Heyden and Smith Family – Thanksgiving
	Francesco Mortali - 3 rd anniversary (Rest in Peace) (Family)

Prayer List

Christopher Browne, Rose Dennehy, Carol Hogermeer, Brian Keane, Ignatius Keane, Tony McCarthy, Rose O'Neill, Andrea Roberts, Promise Shinondo, 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, 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, Margaret Bandhu, Alma Willox, Chantale Wildman, Christopher Almeida, Aileen Mensah, Sr. Helen, Sebastian, Josephine Walsh (Paul), Jennie Richmond, Terry Coe, Brendan Mc Donagh (aged 6), Liberee Uwimana, Violet Alahendran, Bernedette Doherty, Patricia (Bondo), Sadie.