

## **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-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) (03/10/2021)**

Dear Parishioners,

Our culture hesitates before long-term commitments such as life-long marriage. And yet, there is freedom in commitment. It is possible to walk the quaysides considering various options for the journey. At that moment, you have freedom of choice.

However, if you want to get anywhere, one ship will have to be selected. That is the freedom of choosing, choosing not to remain in the paralysis of not choosing. Once made, commitment opens up to another, different level of freedom, that is of living and loving and being loved in return.

The Book of Genesis and the Gospel of Saint Mark offer a kind of prophetic alternative for today. Both passages call for careful exploration and courageous exposition. There will almost certainly be people 'in second relationships' in our congregation God be with them Still, life-long commitment remains the Christian ideal.

Specifically on the Book of Genesis, the reading clearly comes from a patriarchal culture which gives primacy to males. The woman being born from man-an arresting image-goes against the common experience(!). The first creation story (a later account) gives a much more equal place to men and women in the image of God. Perhaps seeds of later equality may be found in the complementarity of the sexes. Bearing in mind the cultural limits of the passage, there is a marvellous teaching on the relationship between spouses, best illustrated in the note of joy in the recognition, 'bone of my bones etc.' in v.23 Genesis

Within our Christian vision, marriage and family are foundational for love and faith, for discipleship and mission. 'Believing parents, with their daily example of life, have the most effective capacity to transmit the beauty of the Christian faith to their children

Have a Blessed Week.

*Caon Miall*

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

**Baptism Ceremonies:** Second and Third Sunday of each month at 1.15pm. The next Baptism preparation course will be on Monday 4th October 6:30pm in the Church.

This Sunday we welcome Rylea, Nala and Rio Nyki-Acheampong into the Community of Faith.

Cafod Family Fast Day envelops can be returned this weekend.

On Saturday 16th of October Sister Mary Olivia will make her final Religious Profession. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Alan at Brentwood Cathedral. Full details can be found on the church notice board in the porch. Please keep Sr Olivia in your prayers on this important stage of her faith journey.

### **The Pope's Monthly Intention for October**

Evangelisation : We pray that every baptised person may be engaged in evangelisation, available to the mission, by being witness of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

This weekend copies of Laudato Si are available. Also a letter from Bishop Alan on how we can protect the environment

Happy Birthday and Blessings to Agnes Fadina and George Minnah.

**THRESHOLDS OF HOPE QUESTIONS** The next talks will be on the 3rd and 10th October and the question being explored is "*What does it mean to talk about God?*" Fr Mark Reilly, parish priest of Our Lady of Good Counsel, Wickford, will consider this question. If you would like to join this discussion, please forward a contact email to [adultformationvicariate@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:adultformationvicariate@dioceseofbrentwood.org) For more information about *The Thresholds of Hope Questions* go to [www.thresholdsofhope.co.uk](http://www.thresholdsofhope.co.uk)

**The YouTube Bible Timeline Course** *Do you feel the Bible is too big and too difficult to understand? Do you get lost with all the characters and stories?* If so, this course aims to help you better understand the riches of the Bible in a simple and straightforward way. The course begins on Wednesday 29 Sept, 2021 at 7pm. *For more information and to register go to [www.comeandsee.org](http://www.comeandsee.org)*

Fr Martin Boland would also like to draw your attention to another online project developed by Mauro Iannicelli that provides an accessible guide to the Bible for adults. Mauro is a committed Catholic layman in our diocese and has provided input for the Newham Deanery in the past. He is also willing to send to our parish 200+ course invitation A6 flyers, completely free of charge. Just drop him an email request for the flyers at [mauro@comeandsee.org](mailto:mauro@comeandsee.org), or to ask him any questions about the course. I recommend this initiative to you all.

**Lorita Juanita Hibbert, Rest in Peace** We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Lorita Juanita Hibbert, Rest in Peace. The requiem Mass for Lorita's soul will be here in Our Lady and St. George Church on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October at 11:00am.

Application forms for the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Reconciliation are available from the repository in the Church porch after all Masses this weekend and next weekend. Application must be returned the following weekend 17<sup>th</sup> October. No late application will be accepted. All families must attend Mass every Sunday.

## Mass times and intentions at Our Lady and St. George

<b>06:00pm</b>	Deceased members of Kane Family( Maloney Family)
<b>Sun 03 Oct</b>	<b>Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
<b>08:30am</b>	Intentions (Weston)
<b>10:00am</b>	Tessa Judge (Rest in Peace) (Linda Dunne)
<b>12:00noon</b>	Thomas and Rosine Minnah (Rest in Peace) (George)
<b>Mon 04 Oct</b>	<b>Saint Francis of Assisi</b>
<b>09:15 am</b>	Tim Campbell (Rest in Peace) (Bruce)
<b>06:00 pm</b>	Intention of Saikh Family (Betty)
<b>Tue 05 Oct</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>09:15am</b>	Johannes Gerritsen (Rest in Peace) (Lita Raminez)
<b>06:00pm</b>	Parishioners
<b>Wed 06 Oct</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>09:15am</b>	Shiela Joyce (Rest in Peace) (Hurley)
<b>06:00 pm</b>	Special Intention (Victor and Olga)
<b>Thu 07 Oct</b>	<b>Our Lady of the Rosary</b>
<b>09:15am</b>	Teodora and George Bartolo (Rest in Peace) (Elizabeth)
<b>06:00pm</b>	Thanksgiving (Victor and Olga)
<b>Fri 08 Oct</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>09:15 am</b>	Timothy Campbell (Rest in Peace) (Bruce)
<b>06:00pm</b>	John and Annie Hayden (Rest in Peace) (Betty)
<b>Sat 09 Oct</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>10:00am</b>	Thanksgiving (Divya)
<b>06:00pm</b>	Mayo Family Intentions ( Barry and Shiela)
<b>Sun 10 Oct</b>	<b>Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
<b>08:30 am</b>	Mary Theresa Kelly (Rest in Peace) (Betty)
<b>10:00 am</b>	Angela and Gianni Tardioli (Rest in Peace) (Family)
<b>12:00noon</b>	Grace Kahkantan Sikod (Rest in Peace) (Cameroon Community)

### Prayer List

Jenny Richmond, Betty Ramsey, Richard and Christine Martin, Michael Gaffney, Lucia Zeppetelli (Mario) , Hilda Collett (Chris) Brid O Halloran, Josephine Walsh (Paul), Alma Willox, William Wyndham, Liberee, Maria Green, Anne (Christina), Agnes Fadina, Grace, Bridie Curley, Sharon Baker, Bridgit Morris and Mavis Hacker,

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions:** Every Saturday after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 11:15 am.

**Repository Opening Times:** Sundays: 9.15 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. and 11.00 a.m. to 12.15 a.m. Nelly and Rosie look after the Repository.