Catholic Parish of Our Lady and St George 132 Shernhall Street, Walthamstow E17 9HU Tel: 020 8520 5877 E-mail: parishoffice@olsg.co.uk Website: www.olsg.co.uk Canon Niall Harrington; Fr Michael Barwick Fr Joseph Mukkatt (Syro-Malabar Chaplain); Deacon Joseph Baffour-Awuah Our Lady and St George's Primary School: Lower Site 8520 8500. Upper Site: 8520 3552 Holy Family Catholic School: 8520 0482/8520 3587 Charity Number: 234092

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Parishioners,

Cultural historians would say that this habit of sitting at the back of church dates from penal time, when Mass was celebrated in hidden places, secluded valleys, on rocky hillsides or beaches. In those dangerous times, we are told, men were stationed at the back, to keep watch for the soldiers who might threaten all illegally assembled.

There might be another explanation for people's inclination to stay at the back of the church. Perhaps they are simply taking to heart the Lord's warning from the Gospel such as today's which illustrate the fate of those who hog the top seats. Jesus warns that someone of higher esteem might turn up and bump them from those prominent seats, to their shame.

If this were not a Sunday, we would be honouring the great St. Augustine, who would probably commend the Irish approach to filling churches (from the back). He once remarked that if there was no seat for a poor man, the priest (bishop) should sit on the floor and make sure the poor man had a seat. St Augustine, let your faith burn brightly in us: pray for us.

Have a Blessed Week.

Canon Miall

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

Please note that the **next parish Baptism preparation course** will be on Monday 5th of September (Session One) at 6:30p.m. followed by Session 2 on Monday 12th of September at 6:30p.m. This is due to the bank holiday on the last Monday of August

Bishop Alan will celebrate the **Sacrament of Confirmation** during the 12 noon Mass on Sunday 9th of October.

<u>Jenny Richmond Rest in Peace</u>. Cliff wishes to thank all who participated in Jenny's Requiem Mass. To all who sent Mass cards and prayer cards. It is gratefully accepted.

On Bank holiday Monday 29th of August the Mass will be at **10a.m.**

Our best wishes to Christina and Jose who marry on Saturday 3rd of September in Our Lady and Saint George. Every Blessing in your married life.

Cafod Family Fast Day is on Friday 7th of October

Bible/Scripture study "reflecting on following Sunday readings" - In order to continue the legacy Jenny Richmond has left in 'teaching the faith' we will be restarting this group in November just before Advent. Studying and praying on scripture in NOT enough we have to be doing. Refer to Luke 13:22-30 "Enter through the Narrow Door". This is the purpose of the group to look, discern and pray on scripture reading then go out and live it! Getting to Heaven requires effort. Every worthwhile achievement in life is reached by 'a narrow door'. It requires self-discipline and hard work. God cannot hand us His best gifts on a silver platter. We have to work for them. Ask yourself do you want to hear these words from God "`I don't know you or where you come from"

OLSG SVP RESUMING ACTIVITIES IN THE WEEKDAY CHAPEL

Conference Meetings - Third Tuesday Monthly from 5 - 6 pm, commencing 20th September 2022. SVP Listening Hub - First Tuesday Monthly from 4 - 6 pm, commencing 4th October 2022. A Drop-in and Listening ear for the community, e.g., friendly chats, collect information about the SVP, opportunities to volunteer time, skills, and expertise.

You are invited to join a **Mass for the Season of Creation**. Saturday September 3rd at 4pm - Farm Street Church, W1K 3AH (nearest tube station is Green Park). Please email sianthomas@dioceseofbrentwood.org for more information."

The Memorial Mass for Judith Hilton will be on Tuesday 6th of September at 12 noon.

Waltham Forest Islamic Association (WFIA) mosque at 439 - 451 Lea Bridge Rd London E10 7EA, are holding an open day on Sunday 4th September 2022 between 12pm - 5pm.

We are still looking to recruit a someone to look after our kitchen here at <u>Walsingham House</u> and would really appreciate if you could share this with your Parishioners and communities or even if you could mention this to any individuals you know personally who may be interested in the role. Details on the parish notice board.

THE PARABLES OF LUKE A Gidea Park Faith Talk on the Parables of Luke will be broadcast by live stream on Wednesday 21st September from 7 pm. Our distinguished speaker is Deacon Sean Loone, well-known in the diocese of Birmingham for his work in education and in evangelisation. Sean will speak about the parables in the Gospel of Luke, which we shall be hearing at Sunday Mass as we continue through Year C of the lectionary. To listen to the presentation live simply go to www.whatgoodnews.org There is no charge and no booking is needed. The recording of the talk will be available on the same website in due course.

<u>Relics of St Bernadette</u> The relics will be visiting Our Lady of Lourdes, Catholic Church Wanstead on 18 October from 10.00am Those wishing to attend should register through the tour website in order to manage numbers safely: (https://stbernadette.org.uk) Registration - St Bernadette

Parish RCIA If you know of any lapsed Catholic or anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith please pick up a pamphlet in the church porch

	and intentions at Our Lady and St. George
06:00 pm	Seamus Moore (Rest in Peace) (McDermott)
Sun 28 August	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
08:30am	Safety of all on Holidays
10:00am	William Howard (Rest in Peace) (Norah)
12noon	William Balfe (Rest in Peace)
Mon 29 August	The Passion of Saint John the Baptist
10:00 am **	Maureen D'Souza (Intentions) (Norah)
06:00 pm	William Balfe (Rest in Peace)
Tue 30 August	FERIA
09:15am	Special Intentions (James)
06:00pm	Parishioners
Wed 31 August	FERIA
09:15am	John and Josephine Hayden
06:00 pm	All who work in the NHS
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Betty Ramsey, Richard and Christine Martin, Michael Gaffney, Hilda Collett (Chris) Brid O Halloran, Josephine Walsh (Paul), Alma Willox, William Wyndham, Liberee, Maria Green, Anne (Christina), Grace, Bridie Curley, Sharon Baker, Bridgit Morris and Mavis Hacker, Marjorie Singh, Pietro and Maria Marrai, Peggy McManus, Rosie Ebreo, Kathleen Lloyd, Johanna Whitley, Linda Campbell, Pauline Brookman, Fr. Francis Coveney, Bridie Cronin, Baby Jimmy, Sierra Smucker-Halls (Carol), Maureen Newland (Carol), Anna (Gawlik), Theresa (Curley), Terry Wheeler. Canon Pat Sammon

<u>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions</u>: Every Saturday after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 11:15 am. <u>Repository Opening Times</u>: Sundays: 9.15 a.m.

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