

**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

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**Charity Number: 234092**

**Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (11/09/2022)**

Dear Parishioners,

Losing something precious or important is not a pleasant experience. Losing your wallet with all your credit cards; access to a quick coffee, to the ATM or your car keys leads to a certain amount of frustration. Losing a child in a crowded supermarket or shopping centre is the stuff of nightmare. Frightening stuff! When we lose something precious we can lose all sense of ourselves. We may not think clearly or rationally.

The three parables in today's Gospel are all about loss- a lost sheep, a lost coin and a lost child. We are so familiar with this Gospel that we may not hear what it is saying to us. Why would a farmer, for instance, go after one lost sheep to the detriment of the flock? Why would any housekeeper toss and turn their house into a mess to find one lost coin? Why would parents host a party for a delinquent son or daughter? It doesn't make sense. It all seems irrational.

Yet, this is the point of the parables. This is what God is like. He becomes irrational and unpredictable when it comes to love. He loves us like mad! He forgives us no matter what. He will do anything to find us when we are lost. It's a crazy kind of love. This is the Christian way of doing things. We are invited to be crazy with love for those who don't stay within the fold, we don't subscribe to our moral expectations and for those who

lose their way in life. We are to go after them, to forgive them and to love them warts and all.

As Mother Teresa expressed it: 'Every human being comes from the hand of God and we all know how much God loves us. Whatever our belief, we must learn to forgive if we want to truly love'. (*Mother Teresa, The Love of Christ*, A Fount original, p.53). Amen

Have a Blessed Week.

*Canon Miall*

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

Please note that the next parish Sacrament of Baptism preparation course will be on Monday 12th of September (Session 2) at 6:30p.m.

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

**Cafod Family Fast Day is on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> of October.**

**The Divine Mercy Healing Service has resumed and is celebrated in the weekday chapel on Sundays from 5-6pm. All are welcome.**

**Mass Intentions- Please book 10 to 12 weeks in advance if you wish a particular date and time.**

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"

**Tamil Mass** on Sunday, 18 September 2022 at 5.00 pm.

### **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.

**Hong Kong Catholic Community in London:** Archbishop Savio HON Tai-Fai, the Apostolic Nuncio to Greece and Fr. Lawrence LEE, the Chancellor of the Diocese of Hong Kong will be celebrating Sunday Holy Mass (2:00 PM, 18th Sep) and hosting talks (3:30 PM, 17th and 18th Sep) in St. Patrick's Catholic Church, 21A Soho Square, London (W1D 4NR). For details, please look for the event poster on the webpage of diocese news or contact the community at: [hkrclon@gmail.com](mailto:hkrclon@gmail.com)."

**STUDY DAY – ST CHARLES DE FOUCAULD** Charles de Foucauld was one of ten new saints canonized by Pope Francis in May 2022. His journey in faith, preaching the Gospel to all with his life, ended with his death in his hermitage in the Sahara in 1916. Little Sister Kathleen McKee will lead a study day on 'St Charles de Foucauld – universal brother' on Saturday 8th October from 11.00 to 13.00 BST. You may attend this free event in person at Gidea Park Catholic Church – RM2 6DH – from 11 am (Coffee available at 10.30). Please book your place by email to [gideapark@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:gideapark@dioceseofbrentwood.org) The event is also live-streamed. Go to [www.whatgoodnews.org](http://www.whatgoodnews.org) on the day. No booking necessary. A recording will be made available after the event on [www.whatgoodnews.org](http://www.whatgoodnews.org)

**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](http://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.

We pray for Dariuz who died in Poland. A young man who looked after the electricians of the Church.

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

<b>06:00pm</b>	John and Josie Keenan (Rest in Peace) (Keane)
<b>Sun 11 September</b>	<b>Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
<b>08:30 am</b>	Philip Mitchell (Rest in Peace) (Family)
<b>10:00am</b>	Noel Lambert (Rest in Peace) (Hodges)
<b>12noon</b>	Ronald Charles (Rest in Peace) (Gertrude)
<b>Mon 12 September</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>09:15 am</b>	Varkey (Rest in Peace) (Roy Family)
<b>06:00 pm</b>	Jesus' Agony and Death for us (Betty)
<b>Tue 13 September</b>	<b>Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</b>
<b>09:15am</b>	Parishioners
<b>06:00pm</b>	Holy Souls (Betty)
<b>Wed 14 September</b>	<b>The Exaltation of the Holy Cross</b>
<b>09:15am</b>	Cannon Pat Sammon
<b>06:00 pm</b>	Peace in the World
<b>Thu 15 September</b>	<b>Our Lady of Sorrows</b>
<b>09:15am</b>	For all in our Catholic Schools
<b>06:00pm</b>	For those who suffer
<b>Fri 16 September</b>	<b>Saint Cornelius, Pope and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs</b>
<b>09:15 am</b>	Jenny Richmond (Rest in Peace) (Kristina)
<b>06:00pm</b>	Aagin and Amal (Thanksgiving)
<b>Sat 17 September</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>10:00am</b>	Theodora D'Souza (Rest in Peace) (Norah)
<b>06:00pm</b>	Tom Waldron (Rest in Peace) (Keane)
<b>Sun 18 September</b>	<b>Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
<b>08:30 am</b>	Intentions of Bruce Pereira (Edna)
<b>10:00am</b>	Lorita Hibbert (Rest in Peace) (Lorna)
<b>12noon</b>	Chei-Yee Kwan (Rest in Peace) (Ping)

### Prayer List

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, Padraig Maloney

**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.