

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 School: 8520 0482/8520 3587

Charity Number: 234092

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (18/09/2022)

Dear Parishioners,

Decisions are routine. We make them all the time. Will I get up? What will I wear today? What will I have for breakfast? They don't challenge us too much. As adults; mature adults, we are relatively free to make decisions. We are generally in charge of our daily routine. There are some decisions, however that do make a big difference to our world.

Amos is well aware of this in our Old Testament Amos lived at a time when there was a growing tension between those who worked the land for a living and those who were becoming enterprising in the marketplace. The sellers in the marketplace couldn't wait for the harvest because they had made up their minds that they would exploit the poor by raising the price of their goods and by cheating at the scales. Amos is warning them that this is the kind of exploitation that God will never forget. Amos is challenging those who have decided to be unjust, unfair and exploitative in their dealing.

Many of our decisions can affect the poor of the world. Many years ago, in Boston, USA, a bag-lady doll came on the market. Bag-ladies are a common sight on American city streets foraging for a living. The English version has been celebrated in the song 'Streets of London'. ¶Have you seen the old girl who walks the streets of London, dirt in her hair, her clothes in rag¶. As one commentator said at the time, wouldn't it have

been a much better decision by the manufactures to have invested their money in helping the real bag-ladies than indulging in consumerist opportunism. What do you think? Some of our decision have serious consequence for the poorest. We are invited to think clearly and well before making decision that make a huge difference to the poor and needy-where our clothes come from, who are being exploited in the manufacture and production of goods. Is this a fair-trade product and so on. We are invited not to make popular decision but responsible decision. 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 26th September (Session 1) at 6:30p.m. Session 2 will be on Monday 3rd October.

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 7th 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.

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

Copies of Mission Today are available in the church porch for parishioners who have the Red Boxes supporting the foreign missions

Open Evening Holy Family Catholic School and Sixth Form open evening for Year 7 Admission on September 2023 will be on Thursday 22nd September 6-8pm.

This Sunday we welcome into community of faith through the Sacrament of Baptism Remi Veronica Darcy. Blessings to the family.

Sacrament of Confirmation classes every Saturday in the parish hall from 11.30 – 1pm.

Relics of St Bernadette , OUR LADY OF LOURDES, WANSTEAD

Tuesday 18 October

10 am: Relics of St Bernadette arrive. 11 am - 3 pm: Time reserved for pre-booked school groups. 7.30 pm: Holy Mass, celebrated by Bishop Alan
12 midnight: Church closes.

Wednesday 19 October

6 am: Church opens. 9 am: Relics of St Bernadette depart.

Silent Weekend Retreat 'My Lord and my God'. Fri 4th - Sun 6th November 2022.

Led by Fr Martin Boland, Dean of Brentwood Cathedral. Venue: Sion Community, Brentwood. Our theme focuses on how closeness to Christ enables us to develop a deeper level of intimacy with Him. It enables us to recognise Jesus more readily in our lives and acknowledge Him both in private and in public. This silent weekend retreat offers us the opportunity to spend time with the Lord in quiet prayer and reflection. 40-HOURS of CONTINUOUS Adoration, guidance & ministry included. For more information or to book, visit <https://sioncommunity.org.uk/adults/> or email allegra.mutanda@gmail.com

Cook/Kitchen Supervisor job: Walsingham House at Abbotswick are looking to appoint a Cook/Kitchen Supervisor. The role is part-time, with hours varying from 15-20hrs a week, including some weekend work (term time only). For more information please see the website <https://bcys.net/job-vacancy-cook/> or call 01277 373959 to speak to Joseph Beattie.

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."

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

Mass times and intentions at Our Lady and St. George

06:00pm	Tom Waldron (Rest in Peace) (Keane)
Sun 18 September	Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
08:30 am	Intentions of Bruce Pereira (Edna)
10:00am	Lorita Hibbert (Rest in Peace) (Lorna)
12noon	Chei-Yee Kwan (Rest in Peace) (Ping)
Mon 19 September	FERIA
10:00 am **	Bridie Reilly (Get Well) (M. Keane)
06:00 pm	Elizabeth Ramsey's Intention (Josephine)
Tue 20 September	Saint Andrew Kim Tae-Gon, Priest and Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs
09:15am	Wesley De Souza (Rest in Peace) (Family)
06:00pm	Parishioners
Wed 21 September	Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
09:15am	Mark Eric Leach (Rest in Peace) (Geraldine)
06:00 pm	Belinda De Souza (Norah)
Thu 22 September	FERIA
09:15am	Aogan Brosnan (Rest in Peace) (Keane)
06:00pm	Gerald Mc Lindon (Rest in Peace) (Fletcher)
Fri 23 September	Saint Pius of Pietreicina , Priest
09:15 am	Those in need of Healing
06:00pm	Maria Salamanowicz (Rest in Peace) (Kristina)
Sat 24 September	Our Lady of Walsingham
10:00am	Jenny Richmond (Rest inn Peace) (Hacker)
06:00pm	Agnes Fadina (Rest in Peace) (kristina)
Sun 25 September	Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
08:30 am	Gene Horgan (Rest in Peace) (Reade)
10:00am	Maria Salamanowicz (Rest in Peace) (Hodge)
12noon	Agnes Fadina (Rest in Peace) (Family)

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, 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, Pdraig 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.