

Catholic Parish of Our Lady and St George

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Charity Number: 234092

1st Reading Ex 19:2-6

Response to the Psalm: We are his people: the sheep of his flock

2nd Reading

Gospel: Mt 9:36-10:8

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (18/06/2023)

When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

Compassion in the Gospel of Matthew is not simply feeling sympathy and empathy, but it is acting concretely on the behalf of the afflicted.

During the time of Jesus, there were a lot of people who were sick, oppressed and uneducated. Jesus cured every disease, fought against oppression and worked hard as an itinerant teacher. People followed Him everywhere and when He saw them, He was moved with pity for they were troubled and abandoned.

As a being in human form, Jesus cannot do all the hard work. That is why He chose twelve apostles, empowered them and sent them as laborers in the harvest. Yet the harvest is great. More laborers are needed. Jesus is requesting us to pray for more of them.

Fast forward to the modern age. Although observers say great progress has been achieved everywhere especially in the western countries, millions of

people are still wanting for adequate health care, oppression is still experienced here and there, and throngs of them are yet to be educated and evangelised. Who will be sent to cure them? Who will help for them? Who will educate them and teach them about the Kingdom of God? Aren't we moved with pity?

In our own time, to follow Jesus means basically to imitate Him in His words and deeds. If we are not moved with pity upon those multitudes who continue to suffer hunger and all kinds of diseases, then what really move us? Yes, Jesus is asking for prayers that God may send more laborers but then, whom will He send?

As followers of Jesus, we are called to be sent. We are called to be compassionate, that is to have the strong urge to respond to the needs of others with love and selflessness. We are called to make ourselves available to be the instrument of God's healing power and to be His mouthpiece to deliver the message of His kingdom everywhere.

Have a Blessed Week

Canon Miall

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

The **next Parish Baptism Preparation** programme will be on Monday 31st of July 6:30 pm in the Church. Session 1. Monday 7th August-Session 2.

Holy Communion celebration for all those who made their Holy Communion this year. Mass at 12pm on Sunday 25th June. Please wear your Holy Communion clothes.

On this Sunday we welcome into the Community of Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism Malachi Davis- Edembassey and Aramenta Owen. Every Blessing to both families.

Safe and happy holidays to all parishioners.

We pray for all sitting exams at this time.

FRIENDS OF ST GEORGE'S SVP-COFFEE MORNING Today Sunday 18 June 2023 from 9.30am – 2.00pm in the Church Hall. To support the SVP at St George's and their efforts to raise much needed funds we are holding a Coffee morning in the church hall alongside their Fundraising cake sale. All are welcome to drop-in from 9.30am – 2pm. Hot and cold drinks available as well as Cake Decorating Activity for Children (50 pence per dairy care) run by Child Care Solutions. To find out more speak to event organiser Helen Belizaire.

O, Happy Day!!! - Come and Sing for Windrush 75 at the Waltham Forest Windrush Festival, and hone your Gospel music skills at a five day masterclass led by Chapman Roberts, the Dean of Broadway and West End choral conducting and vocal arrangement.

We are offering bursaries, each worth £550, for 25 singers to attend Chapman Roberts' five-day Gospel Music Masterclass, from 19 to 24 June. To apply for your audition please register your interest at www.ohappyday.biz <<http://www.ohappyday.biz>> For more information contact: Frank Sweeney - ohappyday@desirepaths.uk <<mailto:ohappyday@desirepaths.uk>> - 020 8520 4281

Garden Party Sunday 25th June 12.30-7pm

The Oblates of the Assumption invite you to their Garden Party in aid of their Orphanage in the Congo. See the notice board

We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Joseph Gabriel, Rest in Peace. Requiem Mass 10am Wednesday 21st June.

Our sincere condolences to Paula Vaz on the death of her brother Nielsen Vaz. May he Rest in Peace Amen.

We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Anna Shiels. Rest in Peace.

We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Witold Yan Gryko and for the happy repose of the soul of Charles Hubert Dias.

Margaret Barrett, Rest in Peace –Requiem Mass on Tuesday 20th June at 12noon at Christ The King Church.

We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Marie Therese Green, Rest in Peace. The requiem Mass for Marie's soul is on Tuesday 20th of June at 10:30a.m.

Mass times and intentions at Our Lady and St. George

06:00pm	Margaret Barrett (Rest in Peace) (Flower Team)
Sun 18 June	Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
08:30 am	Margaret Barrett (Rest in Peace) (Flower Team)
10:00am	Fr. Michael Kiernan (Golden Jubilee) (Whelan)
12noon	Phil Kelly (Rest in Peace) (Ciara)
Mon 19 June	FERIA
09:15am	Malar Theresa (Rest in Peace) (Josephine)
06:00pm	David McDonagh (Rest in Peace) (Family)
Tue 20 June	FERIA
09:15am	David McDonagh (Rest in Peace) (Family)
10:30 am	Requiem Mass- Marie Theresa Green (Rest in Peace)
6:00pm	Jan and Maria Salamanowicz (Rest in Peace) (Family)
Wed 21 June	Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious
09:15am	Mark Leach (Rest in Peace) (Geraldine)
10:00am	Requiem Mass-Joseph Gabriel (Rest in Peace)
06:00 pm	Thanksgiving (Mathew)
Thu 22 June	Saint John Fisher, Bp and Thomas More, Mm
09:15am	Marie Joseph's Intentions (Louella)
06:00pm	Thanksgiving (Christopher)
Fri 23 June	FERIA
09:15 am	Parishioners
06:00pm	Peter James O'Rourke (Rest in Peace) (Nigel)
Sat 24 June	Nativity of Saint John The Baptist
10:00am	Marie Joseph's Intentions (Louella)
06:00pm	Private Intention
Sun 25 June	Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
08:30 am	Parishioners
10:00am	Fr. Pat Lennon (Golden Jubilee)
12noon	Nielsen Vaz (Rest in Peace) (Paula)

Prayer List

Richard and Christine Martin, Michael Gaffney, Hilda Collett (Chris) Brid O Halloran, Josephine Walsh (Paul), Alma Willox, Liberee, 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, Bridie Cronin, Baby Jimmy, Sierra Smucker-Halls (Carol), Maureen Newland (Carol), Anna (Gawlik), Theresa (Curley), Terry Wheeler, Padraic Maloney, Pauline Brookman, Damon, Fatimata, Sherry Family, Bridie Curley, Jason Leonard Hamilton Barber (Tracy), Cyril and Rose Ogidi, Barry and Sheila Mayo, John Joseph (Mary), Ambrose and Felistas and family, Chris Newman