# Catholic Parish of Our Lady and St George

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Charity Number: 234092

1st Reading Ex 34:4-6, 8-9

Response to the Psalm: You are blest Lord God of our fathers.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

Gospel: Jn 3:16-18

The Most Holy Trinity (04/06/2023)

When we speak of God as Trinity, we are speaking of God as love, reaching out to embrace us all. God's inner life of love finds various outward expressions so as to draw us all in. The fullest outward expression of the love that is within God is the person of Jesus. He is God's love outwardly expressed towards us fully as to draw us into a loving relationship with God.

Through the Holy Spirit, the very life of God, which is a life of love, can come to reside deep with in each one of us. As we open ourselves to this life of love, the life of the Spirit, we become loving people, we become people who create communion with others.

The love of God finds outward expression in both the grace of Jesus and in the gift of the Holy Spirit who creates a communion of love among us. The role of the Holy Spirit is to empower us to live in ways that reflect the dynamic community of love that is God and that we call 'Trinity'.

Today's feast reminds us that the primary movement is of God towards us, rather than of us towards God. God's movement towards us in love is always a given; it does not depend on how good we are or how well we are living. I the first reading Moses speaks of the people of Israel as a 'headstrong people', whose faults and sins need forgiveness; they had just been worshipping a

golden calf. Yet, it is towards this people that God proclaims his identity as a 'God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness'. Those marvellous qualities are the outward expression of God's inner dynamic of love. The word 'tenderness' there come from the Hebrew word for 'womb'. It is a strong feminine word. We are being reminded that the love within God is beyond gender. It is a love which even the very best of male and female love is a pale reflection.

Have a Blessed Week

Cauon 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 5<sup>th</sup> of June 6:30 pm in the Church. Session 2.

<u>SVP Fundraising Cake Sale</u> Saturday 17 June, Time: 6.30pm-7.30pm Sunday 18 June Time: 9.30am – 1.30pm. We are relying on the generosity of parishioners, their families, and friends to donate Cakes, Pastries and Savoury items for the cake sale. If you can donate or offer a couple of hours of your time to help out, please leave your name and contact details on the Signup sheet in the church porch, you will be contacted the week before the cake sale about dropping of your donation, thank you. Also, on the day there will an opportunity to take home a Cake from the Raffle. To find out more contact Joan Nicholson mobile 07436583288 or drop-in at the next SVP Listening Hub, Tuesday 6 June 2023 from 3.45pm -5.45pm.

**FRIENDS OF ST GEORGE'S SVP-COFFEE MORNING** 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 dropin 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.

## <u>BCYS Youth Gather, 21st – 22nd October, Essex Outdoors on Mersea</u> Island

Youth Gather is back for 2023 and the BCYS are absolutely thrilled to be joined by the fantastic Adenike, semi-finalise on the voice, who many of you will have seen perform and heard from at Flame back in March. Taking place at Essex Outdoors on Mersea Island, there is cabin accommodation and a brilliant range of outward bound activities, opportunities for climbing high ropes, archery, zip wires and much more to keep you challenged and entertained, plus performances, input and workshops from Adenike and the SVP! All meals are included, plus two Mersea activities, 2 BCYS workshops, accommodation and travel to and from Mersea Island – all of this for just £70! The event is open to those in school year 9 and above, including opportunities for young leaders (age 18 and above) in the Brentwood Diocese. Apply now at www.bcys.net/events/yg23/

#### Catechist Training and Resources Day, Saturday 4th November

The BCYS will host our Annual Catechist Training and Resources Day once again this November at Sacred Heart of Mary School in Upminster! With a number of incredible workshops, input, networking and welcoming back the fantastic David Wells as keynote speaker, this is a day not to miss if you are a Confirmation Catechist, First Holy Communion Catechist, Children's Liturgy or Youth leader in the Diocese of Brentwood! Visit <a href="www.bcys.net/events/catechistday23/">www.bcys.net/events/catechistday23/</a> for details on how to book your place now!

<u>Mary Margaret Lee, Rest in Peace</u> Requiem Mass for Mary Margaret Lee will be on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June 11:15am in our Lady and Saint George Church.

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

Please update the parish email address from dioceseofbrentwood.org to walthamstowolsg@brcdt.org

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

Rita Cheung Brazier (Rest in Peace) (Geraldine)
The Most Holy Trinity
Intentions of Liria
Georgina Iris O'Donovan (Rest in Peace) (O'Donovan)
Ram and Betty Ramsey (Rest in Peace) (Patrick and
Katy)
Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr
Special Intention (Liria)
Seamey and Mary Kearns (Rest in Peace) (Hodge)
FERIA
Victor Egerti's Intentions (Thresa)
Special Intention (Liria)
FERIA
George and Teodora Bartolo (Rest in Peace) (Elizabeth)
Parishioners
FERIA
Seamey and Mary Kearns (Rest in Peace) (Hodge)
Special Intention (Liria)
FERIA
Margaret Barnett (Rest in Peace) (Louella)
Requiem Mass- Mary Margaret Lee (Rest in Peace)
Natalie Rosario (Rest in Peace) (Louella)
FERIA
Natalie Rosario (Rest in Peace) (Louella)
Adeline Rosario (Rest in peace) (Louella)
THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
Adeline Rosario (Rest in peace) (Louella)
Phil Kelly (Rest in Peace) (Monaghan)
Thanksgiving (Whelan)

### **Prayer List**

Richard and Christine Martin, Michael Gaffney, Hilda Collett (Chris) Brid O Halloran, Josephine Walsh (Paul), Alma Willox, 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, 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