

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

1st Reading: Ezekiel 18: 25-28

Response to the Psalm: Remember your mercy, Lord.

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:1-11

Gospel: Mathew 21:28-32

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (01/10/2023)

Most of us get annoyed when people say they will do something for us and then fail to deliver on their promise. We end up feeling let down. Yet, if we are honest with ourselves, we will recognise that we all fail in this respect, to some extent at least. We have all said that we will do this or that and then failed to do it. In that sense, there is something of the second son in today's parable in all of us, the son who told his father he would work in the vineyard, but never did so. Our 'yes' can become a 'no' in practice. There can be many reasons for this. We may say 'yes' just to keep someone happy, without ever really intending to follow up on what we are asked. Or some of us may find it hard to say 'no'. We may tend to say 'yes' to every request and have the intention to follow through, even though we could not possibly do all that we promise to do. The Gospel proclaims that it is never too late to change for the better. That is a message which we all need to hear. Whatever 'no's we may have said in the past need not determine our present or future responses. Each day is a new day, a new opportunity to say 'yes' to the Lord's call as it comes to us through those among whom we live and work. 'Today' is what matters, not yesterday- in the words of Psalm 95, 'O that today you would listen to his voice; harden not your hearts'. Every 'today' is a new opportunity to think better of something and to make a more generous response to

life's call, to God's call -an opportunity to put on the 'mind of Christ' that St. Paul speaks about in our second reading. That mind of Christ shows itself in a willingness to put the interests of others before our own, just as Christ emptied himself for the sake of us all. It is never too late to grow more fully into the mind and heart of Christ.

Have a Blessed Week

Canon Miall

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

Session 2 of the parish Baptism preparation programme will be on Monday 2nd of October at 6:30p.m.

The Knights of Saint Columba Cake Sale rescheduled to Sunday 8th of October after all Masses. All the money raised will be used for church maintenance and the training of students for the priesthood. Please support the worthwhile endeavour.

Prayer Circle: A group of 30 or so parishioners and friends from Suffolk, Essex and Ireland have joined the Prayer Circle. From time to time a request is sent for prayers. If you wish to join the Prayer Circle then please write your name and email address to one of the clergy.

The 2024 Mass Intention book has arrived. If you wish to book a particular date and time for an anniversary Mass in 2024 then fill in the Mass request envelope together with your donation and hand it to one of the clergy.

World Youth Sunday This year, on the weekend of the 25th and 26th November, we (along with the rest of the world) will celebrate "**World Youth Sunday**", a chance to celebrate the role and significance of young people within our church.

Parish Holy Communion Preparation Programme: Application forms are now available in the repository after weekend Masses.

Our Lady and Saint George Catholic Primary and Nursery School Open Mornings 2023/2024

If you would like to find out more about our school and what it offers, come along and visit. We would especially welcome parents /carers of children born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020. Who are due to start school in September 2024. We are holding open morning on the dates listed below which will take place at 140 Shernhall Street, E17 9HU. Entrance is via Maynard Path.

Dates: 12th and 26th September 2023, 10th and 17th October 2023, 7th and 21st November 2023, 5th and 12th December 2023 and 9th January 2024.

Time: 9:30am to 10:30am.

If you are unable to visit during the day, we can offer Saturdays between 9:30am and 10:30am by appointment. Closing date for Reception applications for children starting in September 2024 is 15th January 2024.

Please contact the school on 02085208500 or email office@olschool.org to book an appointment.

Job Vacancy Shernhall Pre-School is looking for a full time, permanent, Early Years Practitioner. Candidates must have a level 3 qualification NCFE CACHE or Diploma in Early Years and two years experience working in a nursery or childcare setting. We are a registered charity based in St George's church hall, 136 Shernhall Street, E17 9HU. We provide good quality childcare to our local community and were established over 40 years ago. Please contact Pam Chapman on 020 8520 6756 or e mail: shernhallpreschool@btinternet.com if you would like more information or an application form.

Michael Hurley, Rest in Peace. We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Michael Hurley, Rest in Peace. Funeral services at Saint Patrick's cemetery chapel 12 o'clock Wednesday 11th October.

Alma Willox, Rest in Peace We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Alma Willox, Rest in Peace.

Ivan Bruno Gaston, Rest in Peace We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Diane's brother Ivan Bruno Gaston, Rest in Peace. The requiem Mass for Ivan soul will be on Thursday 5th of October at 11:45 at Our Lady and Saint George.

Birthday Blessings to Rosie

Mass times and intentions at Our Lady and St. George

06:00 pm	Tommy Cooney (Rest in Peace) (Gerry)
Sun 1 Oct	Twenty Sixth Sunday in ordinary Time
08:30 am	Hamilton Motha (Rest in Peace) (Gowri)
10:00 am	Denny Cronin (Rest in Peace) (Maria)
12noon	Georgina Koduah (Rest in Peace) (Family)
Mon 2 Oct	THE Holy Guardian Angels
09:15 am	Carol Phillips (Rest in Peace) (Margaret)
06:00 pm	Margaret Raffo (Rest in Peace) (Amal)
Tue 3 Oct	FERIA
09:15am	Michael Murtagh (Rest in Peace) (Anne O' Donovan)
06:00 pm	Rebecca Clarey (Rest in Peace) (Patrick and Katie)
Wed 4 Oct	Saint Francis of Assisi
09:15 am	Thanksgiving (Margaret Phillips)
06:00 pm	Rouf Tobia (Rest in Peace) (Amal)
Thu 5 Oct	FERIA
09:15 am	Rosie (Thanksgiving) (Cesar and Nelly)
11:45am	Requiem Mass Ivan Bruno Gaston (Rest in Peace)
06:00 pm	Fawzia Tobia (Rest in Peace) (Amal)
Fri 6 Oct	FERIA
09:15 am	Rose Morley (Rest in Peace) (Anne O' Donovan)
06:00 pm	Emeel Rouf Tobia (Rest in Peace) (Amal)
Sat 7 Oct	Our Lady of the Rosary
10:00 am	George and Teadora Bartolo (Rest in Peace) (Elizabeth)
06:00 pm	Ray Smith (Rest in Peace) (Gerry)
Sun 08 Oct	Twenty Seventh Sunday in ordinary Time
08:30 am	Benedict Jeyanni (Rest in Peace)
10:00 am	John Groarke (Rest in Peace) (Linda and Eunice)
12noon	Angela and Gianni Tardioli (Rest in Peace) (Family)

Prayer List

Richard and Christine Martin, Michael Gaffney, Hilda Collett (Chris) Brid O Halloran, Josephine Walsh (Paul), 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, 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, Margaret Phillips, Margaret and Norris Levine, Dr. Michael Weston