

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: Exodus 22: 20-26

Response to the Psalm: I love you, Lord, my strength

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (29/10/2023)

To truly love others, you must first see their value. We need to see the image of God in the people around us. We must get it through our head (so it will eventually impact our emotions): each person is valuable in God's sight. We start the process of love when we look for the treasure in others. We may have to dig for it, but it is there. When we focus on the value rather than the weakness, we have begun to love.

Second, you need to be alert for pain. There is pain in every life. When you see someone's pain and then stand with them in that pain, you show a love that will not quickly be forgotten. Much of the distasteful behaviour we see from others is rooted in pain. If you look for the pain you will find a doorway to the true person.

Third, the kind of love Jesus commands is a love that goes beyond barriers. The love for the less fortunate is a beautiful thing – the love for those who suffer, for those who are poor, the sick, the failures, the unlovely. This is compassion, and it touches the heart of the world. The love for the more fortunate is a rare thing – to love those who succeed

where we fail, to rejoice, the love of the poor for the rich...The world is always bewildered by its saints.

And then there is the love for the enemy – love for the one who does not love you but mocks, threatens and inflicts pain. The tortured ones love for the torturer. This is God's love. It conquers the world.

When we can love even those who have hurt us, we begin to love as God has loved.

When we treat each other with that same kind of love; when we see the potential rather than the pain; when we give the benefit of the doubt rather than assuming the worst possible motives; we are loving like He does.

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

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 the church.

Please note that all Mass intentions are booked until early January 2024.

Envelopes and Holy Souls list are available in the church porch. Please fill in your list and place it in the Holy souls' envelopes with your donation and return in the offertory bag or put through the presbytery post box.

40 Masses for the Holy Souls will be celebrated throughout the month of November.

St George's Day Coffee Morning Fundraiser & Raffle held on 23.04.2023 and 14.05.2023 raised the sum of £511.87. See Letter on Porch Notice Board from Barts Health NHS Trust confirming the monies will go towards the Heart and Cancer Centres Initiatives celebrating Barts 900 years. St George's Day Shield Competition was won by Pietro, Age 11 and he was awarded a cash prize. Thank you to OLSG for your support and volunteering efforts. My heartfelt gratitude to you ALL. From: Hazel Morris-Belizaire

St Vincent OLSG de Paul (SVP) Annual Appeal Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 November 2023 after the Weekend Masses

We are appealing to Parishioners, their families, and friends to support the conference to re-establish the SVP Annual Christmas Lunch for Senior Citizens in the parish after the pandemic. Enabling our lonely and socially isolated seniors to come together to share and enjoy the important celebration of the Christmas Season. Donations given will also go to Needy Families in the parish who continue to be affected by the cost-of-living crisis and other factors in their everyday lives.

Tea and Talk afternoon- please join the children of OLSG primary school for a cup of tea, cake and a chat on Friday 10th November at 1.30pm on Lower Site (Entrance behind the Church in Maynard Path off Addison Road) At the end of the afternoon please feel free to take a bag of groceries home from our Harvest collection. Everyone is welcome.

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

We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Ellen Harte, Rest in Peace. Our condolences to the family. The Requiem Mass for Ellen's soul will be on Tuesday 7th November at 12 noon.

We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Maria Hishon, Rest in Peace. Requiem Mass 12noon Tuesday 31st October in Our Lady and St George.

We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Margaret Marion Connolly, Rest in Peace. The Requiem mass for Margaret's soul will be on Thursday 2nd November at 11:30am in Our Lady and Saint George.

Happy second birthday to Sara

Mass times and intentions at Our Lady and St. George

06:00 pm	Joan Chase-Currier (Rest in peace) (Christopher)
Sun 29 Oct	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
08:30 am	Margaret Hicks (Rest in Peace) (Debbie)
10:00 am	Georgina Koduah (Rest in Peace) (Family)
12noon	Edward Molesworth (Rest in Peace) (Halpenny)
Mon 30 Oct	FERIA
09:15 am	Georgina Koduah (Rest in Peace) (Family)
06:00 pm	Moyra Whelan (Rest in Peace) (Family)
Tue 31 October	FERIA
09:15am	Josephine ,Tanti and Tony Terenzio (Rest in Peace) (Elizabeth Dellapina)
12noon	Requiem Mass- Maria Hishon (Rest in Peace)
07:30 pm***	Norma D'Vaz (Rest in Peace) (Conrad and Carol)
Wed 1 November	ALL SAINTS- Holy Day of Obligation
09:15 am	Dellapina Family Intentions (Elizabeth)
7:30 pm***	November Dead List
Thu 2 November	Commemoration Of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)
09:15 am	November Dead List
11:30 am	Requiem Mass- Margaret Marion Connolly (Rest in Peace)
06:00 pm	Richard Day (Rest in Peace) (Bernadette)
Fri 3 November	FERIA
09:15 am	November Dead List
06:00 pm	November Dead List
Sat 4 November	Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop
10:00 am	Athullya Roy's Intentions (Family)
06:00 pm	Maureen D'souza Intentions (Samantha and Simon)
Sun 5 November	Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time
08:30 am	Peter James O'Rouke (Rest in Peace) (Nigel)
10:00 am	Jo and Joe O'Neill (Rest in Peace) (Anne O'Neill)
12noon	Peggy Halpenny (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, Pdraic Maloney, 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, Chris Cullen