## CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST GEORGE

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> > 1<sup>st</sup> September 2013

## TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (C)

Today we begin a new month, and a new school year opens up before us. With every new beginning comes an opportunity to reflect on the person that you and I are now, and on the saint that God is calling us to become.

The readings today speak about humility. Humility is so important in living out the Christian life. It is the virtue which keeps us grounded; preventing both an overinflated ego on one hand, and living out of poor self-esteem on the other.

Mother Teresa said that humility is the mother of all virtues. She said, 'it is in being humble that our love becomes real. If you are humble nothing will touch you, neither praise nor disgrace, because you know what you are. If you are blamed you will not be discouraged. If they call you a saint, you will not put yourself on a pedestal.'

Real humility gives us the freedom to think not of ourselves, and our own interests, but of others. It leads us to service. In the service of God, we cannot be looking for personal gain. That is why Jesus mentions the poor, crippled, blind and lame – none of whom is able to pay us back. We should serve others simply for their sake, and for the sake of the Kingdom. Today we pray for the grace of true humility.

This week our schools reopen after the summer break. We wish all our pupils and teachers a grace-filled and productive year.

Fr Maurice

**BAPTISMS:** By appointment. Prior attendance to Baptism Course required. The next course will take place on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm in the Church.

MARRIAGES: By appointment. Six months notice is required.

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WEEKDAY MASSES: 7.00am daily Masses will resume from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September.

**ADORATION:** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will resume from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September.

**SENIOR CITIZENS' CLUB:** The Senior Citizens' club will resume on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September.

**SVP:** The next SVP meeting will be next Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September at 9.00am.

**CELEBRATE MARRIAGE COURSE:** We invite all married couples in our parish to attend a series of talks and sessions on the nature and vocation of married life. These will take place on the following four Mondays: 30<sup>th</sup> September, and the 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> October, from 7.30pm-9.00pm. Light refreshments will be available.

**EASTER 2014 PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND:** If you've ever thought of going to Jerusalem, this could be the time. I'm organizing a 9 day tour to all the holy places that you've heard and read about all through your Christian life. What excitement to be standing on holy ground, where Jesus and his disciples stood! I've led groups to Israel 7 times but never at Easter. 22 pilgrims have booked up, so don't let this trip of a lifetime pass you by. For more information contact Joe Elwood (0208 520 3455).

<u>PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA:</u> 7 days by plane with Air Portugal from London Heathrow, from 24<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> November (inclusive), for the price of £599 including all incursions and full board in Fatima. For further information please call Mrs R Mozzi on 0208 472 0843.

### BCYS YOUTH GATHER - 12th and 13th October

Open to anyone in year 10-13, this year's Youth Gather is at a brand new location in Danbury Outdoor Learning Centre. Team building challenges, adventure courses and high ropes are on offer as well as games and tasks run by our Walsingham House team. We will also have inspiring talks, challenging discussion and still fit in a social evening. Perfect as a first ever BCYS event or a chance for reunion with old friends. The weekend costs £65 and includes meals and accommodation. Forms available on www.bcys.net. Email roisin@bcys.net for more info.

<u>DIOCESAN CHOIRS'</u> FESTIVAL directed by Andrew Wright in Brentwood Cathedral on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. An afternoon of choral music ending with Evening Prayer at 4.30 p.m. Music provided - Admission free. To book please contact Shirley Timmins by 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2013 on 01277 219944 or e mail <u>picturesque@tiscali.co.uk</u> or write to 156 Warley Hill, Brentwood CM14 5HF so that

the correct amount of music is available for all participants. Even if you do not belong to your Parish Choir, do come along; you would be very welcome.

**ITALIAN LESSONS:** Italian for complete beginners. Lessons start in September at the Pastoral Centre of Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Small and friendly classes taught by a very experienced and qualified Italian tutor. For more information call 0203 384 1522 or visit www.smartlanguages.com.

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<u>CONGRATULATIONS:</u> We congratulate Marlon Evans and Stephanie St Quintin, who were married at our Church on 3<sup>rd</sup> August. We wish them all of God's blessings for their future happiness and wellbeing.

#### **RIP**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Marie Kinane, whose funeral took place on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August.

Eleandra Coletti whose funeral took place on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August

Winnie McDonnell, who died recently and whose funeral arrangements will be made later.

May they rest in peace.

#### ROTAS - SEPTEMBER

| Christian Kitchen:            | 7/9 <b>Nor</b> | 14/9 <b>D</b> | 21/9 <b>E</b> | 28/9 <b>F</b> |               |
|-------------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Counting:                     | 1/9 <b>B</b>   | 8/9 <b>D</b>  | 15/9 <b>B</b> | 22/9 <b>E</b> | 29/9 <b>D</b> |
| Hospital:                     | 4/8 <b>A</b>   | 11/8 <b>B</b> | 18/8 <b>D</b> | 25/8 <b>A</b> |               |
| If you are unavailable please |                |               |               |               |               |
| contact Serge 020 8527 4814   |                |               |               |               |               |

Offertory collections for the weekends in August were as follows: 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>: £1295.49; 11/12<sup>th</sup>: £1079.08, 17/18<sup>th</sup>: £1359.11, 24/25<sup>th</sup>: £1001.64 Thank you very much for your generosity.

# Times and Intentions at Our Lady and St. George TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (C)

| 6.00pm                     | J Coeur-de-Lion & K. Kalpee (Thanksgiving) |
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| Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept   | Twenty-Second Sunday of the Year (C)       |
| 8.30am                     | George Bartolo (RIP)                       |
| 10.00am                    | Baby Eva Slattery (RIP) and family         |
| 12.00pm                    | Parish                                     |
| 6.30pm                     | [Ordinariate Mass]                         |
| Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept   | Feria                                      |
| 7.00am                     | Marie Kinane (RIP)                         |
| 9.15am                     | Henry Browne (RIP)                         |
| Tue 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept   | St Gregory the Great                       |
| 7.00am                     | Thanksgiving                               |
| 9.15am                     | Henry Browne (RIP)                         |
| Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept   | Feria                                      |
| 7.00am                     | Martin Gibbons (Ints)                      |
| 9.15am                     | Sean Gorray (RIP)                          |
| Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept | Feria                                      |
| 7.00am                     | Har Doyle (RIP)                            |
| 9.15am                     | Marie Kinane (RIP)                         |
| Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept   | Feria                                      |
| 7.00am                     | Holy Souls                                 |
| 9.15am                     | Ronald Charles (RIP)                       |
| Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> Sept   | Feria                                      |
| 10.00am                    | John Rajanathan (RIP)                      |
| 6.00pm                     | John & Josie Keenan (Anniv.)               |
| Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> Sept   | Twenty-Third Sunday of the Year (C)        |
| 8.30am                     | Thanksgiving                               |
| 10.00am                    | Marie Kinane (RIP)                         |
| 12.00pm                    | Special Intention                          |
| 6.30pm                     | [Ordinariate Mass]                         |

#### We pray for those in our parish community who are ill:

Christoper Browne, Rose Dennehy, Carol Hogermeer, Brian Keane, Ignatius Keane, Tony McCarthy, Rose O'Neill, Andrea Roberts, Promise Shinondo, Victoria Wyndham, Christine Conway, Nora Meades, Veronica Nolan, Mr & Mrs Charles, Maureen Bee, Denis Collins, Esperanza Buenaventura, Joyce Ross, Christine Raymond, Jacky Boyrow, Thelma Lewis, Tasmin Sparks, Eileen Karim, Sandra Gibson, Angelina Hoareau, Archie Garrod, Gilda Baptiste, Margaret Messenger, Martin Keane, Muriel Chetty, Masangela Tardioli, Alix Charlery, Adeline Rosario, Natalie Rosario, Ronald Rolle. Bridie Lacon, Peter Ikuptati. Mercy Fernando, Veronica Godsave, Phoebe Roach. Mary and Anthony O'Boyle, Oliver Gaynor, Marjorie Singh, Gunanesan Singarajah, Joan Beirne, Bill Walsh, Margaret Perry, Bridget Lyons

Morning Prayer: Mon-Fri: 9.00am. Sat. 9.45 am Weekdays after morning Mass

Adoration & Exposition: Mon – Fri: 7.30am-8.30am and at the following times:

Mon: 10.00am - 7.00pm Weds: 10.00am - 4.00pm Fri: 9.45am - 10.45am, Sat: 10.30am-11.30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 10.30am – 11.00am. 5.00pm – 5.30pm (Or on request)