

CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST GEORGE

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13th October 2013

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (C)

In the Gospel today, we see ten lepers who beg Jesus to be cured. All ten are cleansed but only one, the Samaritan, returns to give thanks. We might wonder how only one could come back to give thanks when such a great miracle had taken place. How could the others be so forgetful and take this great gift for granted?

We might ask the same question of ourselves. How much do we appreciate the healing the Lord offers us through the Sacraments? In Confession or Reconciliation we are healed of our spiritual leprosy; at Mass, the very Body and Blood of Christ nourish our souls. The blessings we receive are beyond our understanding, yet it takes an effort to shake off our complacency and dullness of heart.

The Samaritan teaches us to be grateful. After being cured, he threw himself at Jesus' feet in total thanksgiving and praise. He knows that however great his faith is, it is Christ who works the miracle. In order to give thanks, we have to lift up our eyes from the gift and look at the giver. As you and I go through life, how often do we acknowledge the giver; or are we so absorbed in the gifts themselves that we never look up to Him?

Today we pray that the Lord will keep our souls fresh and alive with gratitude for all his wonderful gifts: for creating us, healing us, forgiving us and sanctifying us.

Fr Maurice

BAPTISMS: By appointment. Prior attendance to Baptism Course required. The next course will take place on Monday 21st October at 7.00pm in the Church.

MARRIAGES: By appointment. Six months notice is required.

PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS: This year we will not be holding a Christmas Bazaar, due to lack of support. In the past we have had a strong committee, which has served us very well in organizing this large Parish event, but we are now in need of new blood. I intend to set up a new social committee after Christmas and invite anyone who is interested in assisting with parish social events to speak to me.

Instead of the Bazaar, this year we will have an organ recital and concert on Saturday November 30th at 7:00pm. There will be input from OLSG School, the two parish choirs and the Ordinariate group. There will be food shared by the different nationalities in the Parish Hall afterwards. Tickets will £5 for over 16s, children free, and there will be a raffle.

CONFIRMATION 2014: Application forms for next year's Confirmation programme are now available. The course is open to young people in school year 10. Please call into the presbytery to collect a form. The closing date for applications is **next Sunday 20th October.**

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS: Interested in becoming Catholic? The new RCIA programme is just beginning. Through weekly sessions, on Wednesdays at 7.30pm in the meeting room, participants will learn more about the Catholic faith, and can prepare to enter the Church. For more information, speak to Fr Maurice.

SUPPORTING CHRISTIANS IN THE HOLY LAND: Next weekend (26-27th October), a missionary group from Bethlehem Nativity will visit us to talk briefly about the current situation for Christians in the Middle East and to sell religious articles made from olive wood from the Holy Land. Proceeds will support our suffering and persecuted brothers and sisters. Please be generous in supporting this important cause.

SECONDARY SCHOOL FORM SIGNING: Fr Maurice will be available in the Church meeting room to sign school forms at the following times **ONLY:** Monday 14th October, 5.00pm-9.00pm, and Sunday 20th October, 4.00pm-7.00pm.

OLSG SCHOOL VACANCIES: There are vacancies in the following year groups: Year 4 and Nursery. For Year 4, your child's date of birth will be between 1st September 2004 and 31st August 2005. If you are interested in applying, please contact the school on 0208 520 8500, email office@olsgweb.org or call into the Lower Site office (situated behind the Church).

CELEBRATE MARRIAGE TALKS: We invite all married couples in our parish to attend a series of talks and sessions on the nature and vocation of married life – the next talk will take place tomorrow, 14th October, 7.30pm-9.00pm. The final talk will take place on 21st October at the same time. Light refreshments will be available.

AUTUMN YEAR OF FAITH TALKS There will be two talks taking place in our deanery in October. The first will take place in the Church meeting room on Thursday 17th October, 7.30-9.30pm and will be given by Fr Stewart Foster (Diocesan Archivist), who will speak on ‘**Getting to know Jesus Christ – His humanity and divinity**’. You are strongly encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be available.

The second talk will take place in the Parish Centre of St Joseph’s, Leyton on Tuesday 22nd October, 7.30-9.30pm and will be given by Fr Martin Boland (Dean of Brentwood Cathedral), who will speak on ‘Becoming moral – Reflecting the life of the Blessed Trinity.’ All are welcome.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: The annual 40 Days for Life campaign has just begun again. 40 Days for Life is a peaceful, prayerful and proven effective pro-life campaign that has already been embraced by more than half a million people worldwide, saved 7,536 lives from abortion, led to the conversion of 83 abortion workers, and seen 39 abortion centres close. The movement features three components: 1) Prayer and Fasting, 2) Peaceful vigil outside abortion centres, and 3) Community outreach. For more information visit www.40daysforlife.com/london or contact Robert on 07947 698 195.

BCCS – ROMFORD DOGS CHARITY NIGHT: The Brentwood Catholic Children’s Society will be hosting a charity night at Romford Greyhound Stadium on Friday 1st November. Tickets are priced £24 per person and include entrance, a 2-course meal with coffee in the chase restaurant and a free race card. There are also sponsorship opportunities for companies or individuals to have a race in their name at the event. The event is expected to be really popular so please book early to avoid disappointment – call Julie on 01268 784 544 or email jabot@bccs.org.uk.

RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Fred Brown, who died recently. His funeral will take place on Thursday 17th November at 11.45 in Enfield Crematorium.

May he rest in peace.

ROTAS – OCTOBER

Christian Kitchen:	5/10 Nor	12/10 G	19/10 H	26/10 A
Counting:	6/10 B	13/10 E	20/10 A	27/10 C
Hospital: If you are unavailable please contact Serge 020 8527 4814	6/10 A	13/10 B	20/10 D	27/10 A

Offertory collection for 6th October was £1487.14
Thank you very much for your generosity.

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

6.00pm	Laura & William Meredith (RIP)
Sun 13 th Oct	<i>Twenty-Eighth Sunday of the Year (C)</i>
8.30am	Sean Gurry (RIP)
10.00am	Kujtim Reka & family (Ints)
12.00pm	Evani Xavier-Alves & family (Thanksgiving)
6.30pm	<i>[Ordinariate Mass]</i>
Mon 14 th Oct	<i>Feria</i>
7.00am	Ann Horan (RIP)
9.15am	Sr Marion (Ints)
Tue 15 th Oct	<i>St Theresa of Avila</i>
7.00am	Kalpee family (Thanksgiving)
9.15am	Shaun Lewis (RIP)
Wed 16 th Oct	<i>Feria</i>
7.00am	May Hussey (RIP)
9.15am	Monika Vkomadu (RIP)
Thurs 17 th Oct	<i>St Ignatius of Antioch</i>
7.00am	John Rajanathan (RIP)
9.15am	Fernando & Seferina Cristobal (RIP)
Fri 18 th Oct	<i>St Luke, Evangelist</i>
7.00am	Holy Souls
9.15am	Sr Frances Moore (Ints)
Sat 19 th Oct	<i>Feria</i>
10.00am	Robin Murphy (RIP)
6.00pm	Joe Murnane (RIP)
Sun 20 th Oct	<i>Twenty-Ninth Sunday of the Year (C)</i>
8.30am	Steven & Louella Rodrigues (Ints)
10.00am	Jan Salamonowicz (RIP)
12.00pm	Maria Liassi (Anniversary)
6.30pm	<i>[Ordinariate Mass]</i>

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

Christopher 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, Kristina Klimasauskaite, Philomena Spranklen, Jeffrey Mitchell, Margaret Halpenny

Morning Prayer:

Rosary:

Adoration & Exposition:

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Mon-Fri: 9.00am. Sat. 9.45 am

Weekdays after morning Mass

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

Sat. 10.30am – 11.00am. 5.00pm – 5.30pm (Or on request)