

CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST GEORGE

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Our Lady & St George's Primary School:

Lower Site 8520 8500. Upper Site: 8520 3552

Holy Family Catholic College: 8520 0482/8520 3587

Sunday 8 February 2015

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

In today's Gospel Jesus goes off to a desert place to pray. After a hectic day he felt the need for quiet to ground himself once more.

In the busyness of life how do you keep in touch with what is going inside yourself?

How do you keep in touch with God?

Where do you find your 'deserted place'?

What difference does it make for you when you do succeed in taking time out?

Jesus shows himself as a person seeking to break new ground. The disciples want him to continue ministry where he is. He wants to move on.

What has been your experience of breaking new ground, moving beyond your comfort zone or trying something you had not tried before?

When has this had a life-giving effect for you?

Like Jesus some of our days can be mental and hectic. They can leave us worn out. As Jesus showed, the best remedy is prayer, meditation and reflection.

So please use the Church during the day. Come in and light a candle or have a quiet space at home, just you and God.

Our schools break up on this Friday 13 February for mid-term break. We wish our teachers and staff a restful time.

Fr Maurice

MARRIAGES: By appointment. Six months notice is required.

CONFIRMATION: The next session for the Confirmation programme will take place **this** Sunday 8 February at 4pm in the Church. Please continue to keep the young people and their families in your prayers.

FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME: The next session for the First Communion programme will be on Saturday 21 February at 10.00am. All the children and parents are expected to attend. As usual the parents' session will take place in the Lower site of Our Lady & St George primary school, and the Children's session will take place in the parish hall.

Social Committee – there will be a gathering for **all** members of the Bazaar group on Friday 13 February at 7pm in the Church meeting room. There will also be a Variety Show in our Parish hall on Saturday 14 March at 7pm. More details later.

Maintenance Committee Reminder that the next meeting takes place on Thursday 19 February at 8pm in the presbytery.

HCPT Dinner and Dance takes place on Saturday 21 March, tickets costs £25pp. Book your table early and avoid missing out!! Speak to Anita, Peter or Em on 07976419680.

RCIA meetings have resumed on Thursday evenings at 8.00pm. Anyone interested in becoming Catholic, being confirmed as an adult or learning more about the faith is welcome to come along.

Passion of The Christ – a movie screening will be held on Friday 6 March at 8pm. Limited to 12 places only – ring Stella on 0208 527 3879 for more details.

Eucharistic Adoration – thank you to all from our community who come share in the Eucharistic Adoration. We need more people to commit to the following hours:

Monday, 10 – 11am, 12 – 1pm, 1-2pm and 4-5pm.

Wednesday: 11am – 12pm, 12-1pm and 1-2pm.

Spend time with Jesus. Please provide your name on the sheet available in the porch.

Friends of the Holy Family Spring Table Top Sale –

Saturday 28 March 2015 – 10am – 1300pm, the Holy Family Catholic School & Sixth Form

Healing Mass at Abbotswick House of Prayer, Brentwood to be celebrated by Fr Eamonn Power at 2:30pm, Wednesday 11th February 2015. All are welcomed! Please call 01277 373959 for more information.

Lenten Day Retreat led by Bishop Alan at Abbotswick House of Prayer, Brentwood: 14 March 2015, from 1030am to 330pm and Mass will be celebrated. Suggestion donation for the day is £15 per person. More info on www.abbotswick.org

VACANCIES – 1. St Mary’s Catholic Primary School (V.A) in Chingford

NQT Primary Class Teacher, start date: September 2015; NOR:218

0208 529 4723 www.stmaryschingford.com

Closing date for applications is 20 February 2015; shortlisting date is 24 February;

For more information email school@st-maryspri.waltham.sch.uk

2. **St Benedict’s Catholic College, Colchester** – Teacher of English required for September 2015. More details on www.stbenedicts.essex.sch.uk or Mrs Diane Hilliard 01206 516842

3. **Headteacher, St Francis Catholic Primary School**, Gilchrist Way, Braintree, Essex CM7 2SY, please contact Carolyn Kerr on 0333 013 0784 or email headships@essex.gov.uk

GIFT AID: Gift Aid is a government scheme that allows the parish to reclaim tax on all donations made by UK taxpayers, at no cost to you. If you are not currently enrolled in the Gift Aid scheme, please pick up a Gift Aid form from the back of the Church or for further information, please contact Hana on 07939 485957. This provides much-needed additional income for the upkeep of the Church and support of our schools.

Last week’s collection was £1526.75 .

Second collection for the Sisters of the Needy was £465.53

Standing Orders – September 2014 £1238.85; October 2014 £1848.85

November £1471.85; December £1471.85

Thank you very much for your generosity.

RIP +

Please pray for Patrick Deere, whose Requiem Mass will take place on Thursday 12 February at 1:30pm.

Please also pray for Joseph Hogan, whose requiem Mass will take place on Tuesday 17 February at 10am. His remains will be brought into the Church on Monday the 16 February at 5pm.

Your prayers are asked for Eileen Fouhy.

Her Requiem Mass will take place on 25 February at 11:45.

May they all rest in peace.

Mass times and intentions at Our Lady and St. George this week

6.00pm	Michael Fitzpatrick (RIP)
Sunday 8 Feb	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)
8.30am	Agnes Byrne & Rose O Hare intentions
10.00am	Philomena Girling intentions
12.00pm	Boyce Chandrasingh intentions
6.30pm	<i>[Ordinarie Mass]</i>
Monday 9 Feb	Feria
7.00am	Helen Gertrude Darey
9.15am	Fr Matthew Twoomey and near relations
Tuesday 10 Feb	St Scholastica, V
7.00am	Adele Boutle
9.15am	Selma Ada Nowling
Wednesday 11 Feb	OUR LADY OF LOURDES, Principal Patroness of the Diocese
7.00am	Peter McGarry
9.15am	Fletcher family
Thursday 12 Feb	Feria
7.00am	Very Rev Canon P Prendergast
9.15am	Aine Lynch & deceased members of the Lynch family
Friday 13 Feb	Feria
7.00am	Sr Mary Ann Flavia Okete (RIP)
9.15am	Salone Umezuruike (RIP)
Saturday 14 February	Saints Cyril, Monk & METHODIUS, Bp
10.00am	Aurora Santiano intentions
6.00pm	Sybil and Stan Fergus intentions
Sunday 15 Feb	SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)
8.30am	Our Parish Community
10.00am	Getrude Charles intentions
12.00pm	Jacqueline Kearey (RIP)
6:30pm	<i>[Ordinarie 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, Masangela Tardioli, Alix Charlery, Natalie Rosario, Ronald Rolle, Bridie Lacon, Peter Ikuptati, Mercy Fernando, Veronica Godsave, Mary and Anthony O'Boyle, Oliver Gaynor, Marjorie Singh, Gunanesan Singarajah, Bill Walsh, Margaret Perry, Bridget Lyons, Kristina Klimasauskaite, Philomena Spranklen, Jeffrey Mitchell, Michelle Boyle, Carla Cornelius, Cecelia Gibbs, Arthur Gibbs, Ural Gibbs, Gilbert Gibbs, Archie, George & Issac, Boyce Chandasingh

Morning Prayer:

Mon-Fri: 9.00am. Sat. 9.45am

Rosary:

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

Reconciliation (Confessions):

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