

CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST GEORGE

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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(Sunday 28 October 2018)


Dear Parishioners,

The encounter between Jesus and Bartimaeus is one of those great moments in the Gospel. Jesus asks Bartimaeus: 'What do you want me to do for you?' That is also the question which Jesus asks of each one of us. It is a question which enters into the very core of our being. So our God who comes in search of us is a God who is interested in us, a God who is available to us, a God who enquires. If I look at my life this day, what is it I wish the Lord to do for me? Do I seek healing? Or reconciliation? Or hope? Or joy or peace? The God in whom we believe has broken through our incomprehension. He has come into our lives and asks that simple yet profound question: 'What is it you want me to do for you?'

When Bartimaeus asks that he may see again, he is asking for more than physical sight. He is also asking that he may recognise who Jesus really is. We may have physical sight, but we need something more. As well as being able to see the beauty of mountains and the delight of sunset, do we not also have to see the beauty in the faces of others and delight in the love of those with whom we live? Sometimes we have to try to see beyond the surface. We have to see within.

A further aspect of this beautiful encounter is that Bartimaeus was insistent. He didn't give up. Even when told to be quiet, Bartimaeus shouted all the louder. Perhaps the Lord is reminding us of the need to be insistent-that in our prayer we should continue to call out louder with the needs of our hearts and our lives.

Have a blessed week.

 (Fr. Niall)

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

Baptism Preparation Course The next Baptism preparation course will be on Monday 26th November 7:00pm in the Church. Godparents are encouraged to attend.

First Holy Communion Programme Session 1 on Saturday 17th November at 9:45am in Parish Hall.

2018/19 Parish Sacrament of Preparation Programme for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Application forms are available in the church porch and must be returned by this Sunday after any of the Masses and handed to the priest. Make sure you attach a photograph and that your parent or guardian has filled in Section B on the back page. Please note Session 1 starts on this Sunday 4p.m. in the parish hall.

HCPT group 161 forthcoming fundraising events Bingo! It's back at Holy Family Catholic School (Wiseman Site) Friday 2nd November 7.30pm Crispy Creme cake sale after Masses on the weekend of 3rd and 4th November.

Applications Our Lady and St George Primary School

Applications now open for the primary school for children starting in September 2019. Come and visit any Wednesday morning from 7.30am or Saturday 10/11/18 and 1/12/18 between 9.30 and 11.30am. No appointment necessary. Some spaces also available in other year groups. For more information ring 020 85208500.

DIGNITY BAG APPEAL - THANKYOU

A huge thank you to everyone who supported the Dignity Bag Appeal. Individually you contributed by shopping for the items on the list - donating money - sorting and packing the goods - running to the shops at all hours every time we had a shortfall of items - sourcing the banana boxes we had to pack the bags into - loading and unloading the van - and driving our consignment to the collection centre. Together we managed to send 200 bags and 5 boxes of assorted toiletries, that means you sent over 6000 "gifts" to the young women and girls in the refugee camps in Syria. Because of your generosity we are also able to cover fully the shipment cost. I will post on the Justice and Peace notice board the financial breakdown of the appeal, Thank you and God Bless You. Bernadette

Talk on Discipleship - English Martyrs, Hornchurch Parish

On Monday 29th October at 7 pm to 9.30 pm a world famous Catholic lay preacher is coming to English Martyrs, Hornchurch parish to give a talk on discipleship. Dr Jayanand is from India and has brought thousands of non-Christians into the Church. The talk will take place during the parish's Disciples of the Gospel meeting but it is open to all Stewards of the Gospel and their team and anybody else who wants to be involved in the renewal of the Diocese. If you would like to attend, please email david.maddox@express.co.uk or text on 07969181965

Fire Marshals - Important date All St George's Fire Marshals are required to attend a very important meeting on Monday 29 October at 7.00 pm in church. Please confirm if you can or cannot attend and email to health.safety@olsg.co.uk

INVITATION TO PAN-AFRICAN ANNUAL MASS The annual Pan-African Mass for the African Communities will be held on this Sunday 28th October, 2018 at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, 51 Cambridge Park, Wanstead, London E11 2PR. The Mass will be followed by a Reception in the Wanstead Parish Hall. The Rt. Rev Paul McAleenan, Chairman for the Bishops' Committee for Migrants will be the Main Celebrant. The various African Community Choirs will participate in this Mass. Everyone is cordially invited to come to experience a taste of the inculturation of the liturgy.

Thanks you Bethel Prayer Group for contributing £170.00 towards parish fund through one day fasting.

George Apap, Rest in Peace We pray for the happy repose of the soul of George Apap, Rest in Peace. Reception of George's body is on Tuesday 30th October 4:30pm. Requiem Mass for George's Soul on Wednesday 10:30am.

Patricia Mary Richards, Rest in Peace We pray for the happy repose of the soul Patricia Mary, Rest in Peace.

Mass Attendance last weekend 658 . The collection last week was £ 1419.78p
Average weekly standing order collection is £330. Thank you for your generosity.

ROTAS

<u>Counting Rota</u>	14/10B	21/10F	28/10E			
<u>Hospital Rota</u>	14/10B	21/10D	28/10A	04/11B	11/11D	18/11A



Joke of the Week: : " So I said to the train 'why are you late' The train replied " I got sidetracked"
(attributed to Tim Vine)

Mass times and intentions at Our Lady and St. George

06:00pm	Joseph and Annie Murtagh (Rest in Peace)
Sun 28 October	THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
08:30am	Margaret Hicks (Rest in Peace)
10:00am	Peggy Halpenny (Rest in Peace) (Maureen)
12:00noon	Parishioners
Mon 29 October	FERIA
07:00am	Weston Family Intentions
09:15am	Sr. Rosario (Intentions)
04:00pm	Whipps Cross Hospital Mass (Intentions Staff and Patients)
Tue 30 October	FERIA
07:00am	Weston Family Intentions
09:15 am	Thomas and Family Intentions
Wed 31 October	FERIA
07:00am	Thanksgiving (Kristina)
09:15 am	Weston Family Intentions
10:30 am	Requiem Mass- George Apap (Rest in Peace)
7:30 pm	Patrick and Patricia Sheehan
Thu 01 November	ALL SAINTS –HOLY DAY
07:00am	Weston Family Intentions
09:15am	Kinga and Richard and Holy Souls (Anita)
7:30 PM	Michael (Mick) Murphy (Rest in Peace) (Joan Carey)
Fri 02 November	THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS DAY)
07:00am	Souls of the departed members of Agnelo and Louella’s Family (RIP)
09:15am	Abandoned Souls (Rest in Peace) (Louella)
Sat 03 Novemberr	FERIA
10:00am	Syro Malabar Community’s Intentions
06:00pm	Special Intentions (Kristina)
Sun 04 November	THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
08:30am	Peter Flynn (Rest in Peace) (john Costelloe)
10:00am	Chris Fitzgerald (Rest in Peace) (Joe and Rhona)
12:00noon	Holy Souls

Prayer List

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 and Mrs Charles, Esperanza Buenaventura, Joyce Ross, Christine Raymond, Jacky Boyrow, Thelma Lewis, Tasmin Sparks, Eileen Karim, Sandra Gibson, Archie Garrod, Martin Keane, Masangela Tardioli, Alix Charlery, Bridie Lacon, Peter Ikuptati, Mercy Fernando, Veronica Godsave,, Oliver Gaynor, Marjorie Singh, Gunanesan Singarajah, Bill Walsh, Bridget Lyons, Kristina Klimasauskaite, Philomena Spranklen, Jeffrey Mitchell, Michelle Boyle, Carla Cornelius, Cecelia Gibbs, Arthur Gibbs, Ural Gibbs, Gilbert Gibbs, Archie, George and Issac, Luis and Lukas, Anne Hutton, Comfort Kwawu, Judith Hilton, Gloria and Tracy Joseph, Regina Jose, Kojo Gyebi-Ababio, Thampirajah Baskaran, Linda Campbell, Brid O’Halloran, Betty Ramsey, Hazel Belizaire, Tina Henriques, Christopher O’ Neill, Alan and Ross Smith, Stefan, Monica Baugh, Eileen O Kane, Louis Marie, Eva Santiano, Grace Mecaley,