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Our Lady and St George's Primary School:

Lower Site 8520 8500. Upper Site: 8520 3552

Holy Family Catholic College: 8520 0482/8520 3587

**Charity Number: 234092**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (12/05/2019)**

**Day of Prayer for Vocations**

Dear Parishioners,

At his Holy Thursday Homily to priests, just two weeks after his election, Pope Francis said the immortal words: 'This is what I am asking you, be shepherds with the smell of sheep,' so that people can sense the priests is not just concerned with his own needs but is also a fisher of men and women.

As our close ties with agriculture loosen, we need to be reminded of the image of the shepherd: a leader and guide, a protector responsible for the safety and welfare of the flock. The sheep know the shepherd by sight, by smell and by the sound of his voice.

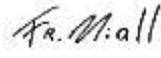
Priests must proclaim God's word to those who are listening and those who are not. They must seek out those who hunger for the living word, whatever the challenges. Defying any opposition they must seek out the springs of living water, where not only their own needs but the deepest needs of every human heart will be satisfied.

The anonymous poem, 'Brown Bread,' captures something of the ministry of the priest among his people:

A small army of doughty drinkers of tea  
And consumers of the brown bread  
Visits kitchens throughout the land.  
There, as butter is spread  
And spoon chinks against side of cup  
Crumbs of heartbreak are scattered by Father's plate  
And he receives them with reverent Gratitude.  
Father knows the depth  
In a slice of soda bread and a mug of dark tea  
That it is the giver who seeks nourishment  
While the receiver is called to offer hospitality  
In accepting slices of bread and life and grief  
And clinged-to and oft-dashed hopes.

Wetting of tea, slicing of bread  
Listening and blessing-all tug back the veil.  
He catches a glimpse of sacramentality  
And knows himself to be the recipient

Have a Blessed Week

 (Fr. Niall)

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

The **next parish Baptism Preparation programme** will be at 6:30p.m. on Monday 20th May in the church.

**Parish Procession:** Parish Procession in honour of Our Lady of Fatima will be today Sunday 12th of May at 1:30p.m. Please gather at the Upper Site at Our Lady and St George's School. All welcome.

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday. Please pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Date for your diary; Thursday 30th of May is the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord and it is a holy day of obligation. Mass times : Vigil Mass at 7:30p.m. and on the day 9:15a.m. and 7:30p.m.

Today we welcome Ava Angela Tardioli into the Community of Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism. Every blessing to the family

A **big thank you** to the RCIA team in preparing the 5 candidates for reception into the church at the Easter Vigil. Your dedication and commitment is greatly appreciated.

A **big thank you to all catechists** who have worked very hard down the months in preparing the children for their Holy Communion. Thank you for sharing your faith and the enthusiasm you showed at each session and during the liturgies.

Alma Willox wishes to convey her thanks and deep appreciation to all the parishioners for the many gifts, cards, beautiful flowers and Mass intentions received during the period of ill-health. Your kind concern was received with much gratitude. May God bless you all for your kindness.

**Bible Study:** Mondays at 8pm, Church Meeting Room

**CAFOD Sri Lanka:**The tragic nature of the Easter Sunday bombings means that many families will need support over the coming days, weeks and indeed years to come . Caritas Sri Lanka has already established psychological centres to spearhead the trauma counselling that is now urgently needed. Donations may be sent to support the victims of the Sri Lanka terrorist attack. If you wish to donate please write to : Cafod, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB.

**You Can Help Your Marriage** – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. There is no group therapy or group work. This programme has helped 1000s of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about Retrouvaille’, or to register for the next programme commencing with a residential weekend on .....7th – 9th June 2019 Call or text 0788 7296983 or 0797 3380443 or Email [retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com) – or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

**PARISH FILM CLUB** Open to all parishioners. Starting on Thursday 23rd May at 7.00pm in the back room of parish hall. The film is a general release Biblical drama starring Joseph Fiennes. It follows a Roman official’s search for Christ’s body after the resurrection. Entrance is free but donations towards refreshments would be gratefully received. More information about the film can be found on the notice board in church porch.

Mass last weekend 1110 and 150 at the Syro-Malabar Mass. The collection last week was £1687.47. Average weekly standing order collection is£330. Thank you for your generosity. Thank you.

**Bridget Hayes , Rest in Peace** We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Bridget Hayes former parishioner and mother of the Fr. Liam Hayes who died at home following a long illness. Bridget Hayes’s funeral is on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 11.30 at the Church of St. Teresa of Avila, North Chingford, followed by the burial at Chingford Mount Cemetery.

**Dwaine Anthony Brown, Rest in Peace.** The Requiem Mass for Dwaine Anthony Brown on Monday 13th of May at 11 a.m. We pray for the happy repose of his soul and comfort for his family.

**ROTAS**

<b>Counting Rota</b>	28/4B	05/5F	12/5E	19/5B	26/05F	02/6B
<b>Hospital Rota</b>	28/4d	05/5A	12/5B	19/5D	26/05A	02/06B



Joke of the Week: This bloke said to me " Tim how often do you exaggerate?"  
I said " never, ever, ever, ever"

(Attributed to Tim Vine)

## Mass times and intentions at Our Lady and St. George

<b>06:00pm</b>	Michael Fitzpatrick (Rest in Peace ( Family)
<b>Sun 12 May</b>	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>
<b>08:30am</b>	Vivencio Banez (Rest in Peace) (Edna)
<b>10:00am</b>	Parishioners
<b>12:00noon</b>	Augustine Babatunde Fadina (Rest in Peace) (Agnes Fadina)
<b>Mon 13 May</b>	<b>St. Erconwald, Bp Secondary Co-Patron of the Diocese</b>
<b>09:15am</b>	Ekbal Rouf Tobia (Intentions) (Amal Raffo)
<b>11:00 am</b>	Requiem Mass- Dwaine Anthony Brown (Rest in Peace)
<b>04:00</b>	Whipps Cross Mass-Holy Souls
<b>06:00 pm</b>	Shannon Ramsey (intentions) (Jane)
<b>Tue 14 May</b>	<b>SAINT MATTHIAS, APOSTLE</b>
<b>09:15am</b>	Joseph Sanches (Rest in Peace) (Louella)
<b>06:00pm</b>	Rouf Tobia (Intentions) (Amal Raffo)
<b>Wed 15 May</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>09:15am</b>	Fauzia Tobia (Intentions) (Amal Raffo)
<b>06:00pm</b>	Emeel Rouf Tobia (Intentions) (Amal Raffo)
<b>Thu 16 May</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>09:15am</b>	Irene Spanos (Rest in Peace) (Bruce)
<b>06:00pm</b>	Kevin Smith (Rest in Peace) (Friends)
<b>Fri 17 May</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>09:15am</b>	Personal Intentions (James Fletcher)
<b>06:00pm</b>	Ambrose Dillsworth (Rest in Peace) (Mrs. Dillsworth)
<b>Sat 18 May</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>10:00am</b>	Russell Rodrigues (Intentions) (Louella)
<b>06:00pm</b>	Micheal Fitzpatrick (Rest in Peace) (Family)
<b>Sun 19 May</b>	<b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>
<b>08:30 am</b>	Victor Kim (Rest in Peace) (Edna)
<b>10:00 am</b>	Pamela (Rest in Peace) Marina Tudda's Mum (Jenny and Cliff)
<b>12:00noon</b>	Parishioners
<b>02:30 pm</b>	Syro Malabar Mass

### 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, 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, Comfort Kwawu, Judith Hilton, Gloria and Tracy Joseph, Regina Jose, Kojo Gyebi-Ababio, Thampirajah Baskaran, Linda Campbell, Brid O'Halloran, Hazel Belizaire, ,Tina Henriques, Christopher O' Neill,Alan and Ross Smith,Stefan, Monica Baugh, Eileen O Kane, Louis Marie, Grace Mecaley, Agnes Fadina

Rosary: Weekdays after morning Mass Reconciliation (Confessions): Sat. 10.30am – 11.30am. 5.00pm – 5.45pm. During these times the priest is in the Reconciliation Room, inside the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, to the left. Confessions are also available at other times on request. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Mondays: 10am-7pm; Wednesdays 10am-4pm; Fridays 9.45-10.45am;Saturdays 10.30-11.30am.