

CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST GEORGE

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Charity Number: 234092

TWENTIETH AND TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME C
(Double Edition)

Dear Parishioners,

Today's Gospel does not sit comfortably with our image of Jesus as a prince of peace. It was verses like these that the crusaders and conquistadores used to justify violence against non-Christians. The Bible (like the Quran) is liable to misinterpretation when a few verses are taken out of context. St. Luke's Gospel was composed in the 80s AD, when Christians were experiencing persecutions by the Jewish and Roman authorities. Families were divided. Some were converting to Christianity while others were not.

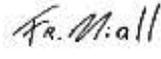
Jesus identified himself with the prophets of the Old Testament who had experienced harassment for remaining true of God's word. In the time of prophet Jeremiah, the kingdom of Judah was on the brink of collapse because it had not remained faithful to the Covenant. King Zedekiah felt threatened by the prophets and had him thrown into a muddy well. But such was Jeremiah's conviction, that he persevered with his message, even when, in the summer of 587 BC, Jerusalem fell to the Babylonians.

Defending the Gospel is especially challenging in time of cultural upheaval. Sadly the Church's understanding of marriage and unborn life is no longer finds expression in civil law. Our social leaders would like to consign the challenging aspects of the Church's magisterium to a muddy well. As in the First Century, socio-religious tensions are most keenly felt within the home. None of us enjoy discord, but it often yields positive results. The Swiss psychoanalyst Carl Jung believed that 'life is born in the spark of opposites.' Arguably, we can fulfil our prophetic calling only from the margins of society.

As Christians, we try to preach the Gospel with both clarity and charity. Pope Francis is gracious to the world leaders he meets, even though he does not share their

philosophy. He sees quiet perseverance, patience and meakness as sign of the 'Solid grounding in the God who loves us...(that) prevent us from being carried away by the violence that is so much part of life today.' (*Gaudete et Exsultate 112,116*). We can remain true to the way, while being tactful and generous.

Have Blessed Week

 (Fr. Niall)

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

Next Sunday we welcome into The Community of Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism Amayah Rose-Marie Lamin. May God bless her and her family

Monday 26th of August is a bank holiday. Masses for that Monday will be at 10a.m. and 6p.m.

Red Box Holders. Please note that a celebration of Mission is being held at Brentwood Cathedral on Saturday 14th of September 10:30a.m. to 4 p.m. . If you wish to go please sign your name on the list in the church porch..

Thank You. Jenny Richmond would like to thank Fr. Niall and parishioners for supporting her with her open garden day for the Nationl Garden Scheme (NGS) on Sunday 11th August. We had 90 visitors. Last year over £9000 was collected by the gardens in the scheme in Woodford. So hopefully we will beat that figure this year to support the various charities NGS support. £700 has been raised so far.

STEWARDS OF THE GOSPEL As part of the 'Restructuring' outlined in Bishop Alan's "Vision Document", our Parish has been in discussion with St Joseph's Leyton and St Patrick's, Blackhorse Road in developing our 'Partnership Plan' for the long term. Attached to the SOTG notice board is a Progress Report updating the Diocese on the work that our three parishes, together with Holy Family School and OLSG's Primary School, have been doing to shape our future. Copies are available in the church porch.

Counting Rota	04/8B	11/8E	18/8B	25/8E	1/9F	8/9F
Hospital Rota	04/8A	11/8B	18/8D	25/8A	1/9B	08/9D



Joke of the Week: My dad's in charge of the Sunday lunch. He rules the roast!!! (attributed to Tim Vine)

**Belated Happy Birthday to Aurora Santiano .
Happy Birthday to Theresa Kalpee**

The Marian Missionary Sisters of the Poor (Colchester Road) invites you to the Final Religious Profession of the Sr. Stella Maris Eneibi, Sr. Mary Faustina Ngozi Umunnakwe and Sr. Mary Blessing Ogechi Onuoha. Officiated by Bishop Alan Williams at the Cathedral Church of St. Mary and St Helen, Brentwood, Essex on 12th October 2019 at 11:30 am. If you would like to attend, kindly RSVP by 31/08/2019 via Email marianmission2016@yahoo.com Text to 07891180264 with you name and that of anyone accompanying you.

Mass times and intentions at Our Lady and St. George from 18/8/19 to 25/8/19

06:00pm	Alice D'Arcy (Rest in Peace) (Family)
Sun 18 August	TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
08:30am	Andre Uzice (Rest in Peace) (Lucy)
10:00am	Kathleen Ellwood (Rest in Peace) (Family)
12:00noon	Paul and Sylvia Yamson (Intentions) (Family)
02:30 pm	Syro Malabar Mass
Mon 19 August	FERIA
9:15am	Louella Rodrigues (Intentions)
04:00pm	Whipps Cross Hospital Mass- Holy Souls.
06:00pm	Domingo Romion (Rest in Peace) (Friends)
Tue 20 August	SAINT BERNARD, ABBOT AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH
09:15am	Auroro's Intentions
06:00pm	Peggy McManus' Intentions
Wed 21 August	SAINT PIUS X , POPE
09:15am	Ton Finn (Rest in Peace) (Mary Keane)
06:00pm	Peggy McManus' Intentions
Thu 22 August	THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
09:15am	Peggy McManus' Intentions
06:00pm	Peggy McManus' Intentions
Fri 23 August	FERIA
09:15am	Michael Moss' Intenions (Family)
06:00pm	Maria Sanches and Abandoned Souls
Sat 25 August	SAINT BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE
10:00am	Cyrus and Ana Paula Sanches (Intentions) (Louella)
06:00pm	Alma Willox's Intentions (Jenny and Cliff)
Sun 25 August	TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
08:30 am	Marcella Finney's Intentions (Family)
10:00 am	Philip Granier (Rest in Peace) (Alison Hames)
12:00noon	Antonio Castillo (Rest in Peace) (Edna)
02:30 pm	Syro Malabar Mass

Mass times and intentions at Our Lady and St. George 26/8/19 to 01/9/2019

Mon 26 August	FERIA
10:00am *****	Eileen Balfe (Rest in Peace)
06:00pm	Jenny and Cliff (Intentions)
Tue 27 August	SAINT MONICA
09:15am	Aurora Santiano's Intentions (Kristina and Jason)
06:00pm	Rachael's Intentions (Jenny and Cliff)
Wed 28 August	SAINT AUGUSTINE, BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH
09:15am	Fr. Angelus Haule (Kristina and Jason)
06:00 pm	Parishioners
Thu 29 August	THE PASSION OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST
09:15am	Aurora Santiano's Intentions (Kristina and Jason)
06:00pm	Kristina and Jason (Intentions)
Fri 30 August	FERIA
09:15am	Jenny and Cliff (Intentions)
06:00pm	Fr. Thomas Quinn (Rest in Peace)
Sat 31 AUGust	FERIA
10:00am	David Moss' Intentions
06:00pm	Angelina Hoareau (Rest in Peace) (Cynthia)
Sun 01 September	TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
08:30 am	Michael Sheehy (Sr. Milly Echeta)
10:00 am	Con and Concepta Harrington (Rest in Peace)
12:00noon	Catherine Guiver (Rest in Peac)
02:30 pm	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, Jadwiga, Matthias Fredberg, Michael White, Fr. Jean Laurent Marie, Fr Paul Dynan, Roy and Margaret

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.

Bible Study: Mondays at 8pm, Church Meeting Room