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**Charity Number: 234092**

**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 04/08/2019 (Double Edition)**

Dear Parishioners,

These may be the dog days of August, a time of rest and fulfilment, but Ecclesiastes reminds us of bleaker time. I recently spent a Sunday afternoon looking through a box of mementos, precious symbols of my life. I suddenly realised that in the hands of someone after me they will be worthless trinkets. 'Life's but walking shadow,' wrote Shakespeare, 'a poor player that struts and frets in hour upon the stage and then is heard no more.' (Macbeth V.5.25)

In moments of anxiety or dread, our first reaction may be to follow the example of the barn-builder in today's parable. We might take out better health insurance, make investments that will ride out the next recession, or garner the kind of respect that will see us well into the old age. But the Gospel warns us that life is 'not made secure by what we own' (LK 12:99); avarice of any kind leaves us like Dickens' Scrooge alone, fearful and 'hardened of heart' (Ps 94:8)

A key to the Gospel of Luke is the blessedness of the poor. The shepherds of the nativity story (LK 2:8-20); the prodigal Son (LK15) and Lazarus (LK 16:19-31) all had in common a poverty that allowed God's kingdom to be manifest in them. But we don't have to make ourselves like Francis of Assisi, destitute for the sake of the Kingdom, in order to know its blessing. We all get to taste poverty, at least in its spiritual sense, in times of ill-health, bereavement, or any profound loss. Such experiences call us to our senses. We learn that it's only in God's loving embrace that the labours of our years find their meaning.

It is said that the current housing crisis would be partly solved if we hoarded less. Most of us have much more stuff that we need, squirreled away in rooms and shed we rarely visit. While our instinct is to have more, the wisdom of the Gospel invites us to declutter, live frugally and put greater trust in the Lord.

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.

**Baptism Preparation** The next parish Baptism Preparation programme will be on Monday 5th August 2019 at 19.30 in the church. Please encourage Godparents to attend.

**Sacrament of Baptism :** Next Sunday we welcome into the Community of Faith Dashiell Fidel Baker de la Mercel. Every blessing to the family.

**Thursday 15th of August is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin. It is a Holyday of Obligation. The Vigil Mass on Wednesday 14th of August will be 7:30p.m. and on the Thursday 9:15a.m. and 7:30p.m.**

**REFLECTION:** Looking after ourselves It is never easy to find harmony between rest, relaxation and nourishment on the one hand, and generosity and availability on the other. Only the Holy Spirit can teach us to love ourselves sufficiently to be able to give of our lives as totally as possible. If we are not well, or in good shape, we will not give life to others instead we shall communicate sadness and emptiness (Jean Vanier)

The Association of Whipps Cross Hospital Nurses will hold their annual Reunion on October 5th at Our Lady of Lourdes in Wanstead. Further details can be obtained from [therese.mcleary@btinternet.com](mailto:therese.mcleary@btinternet.com)

Well done to 2 young ladies and their mother for getting their hair cut for charity. " God loves a cheerful giver " (2 Corinthians 9:7).

Mass attendance last weekend 587 and at the Syro Malabar Mass 185 . The collection last week was £1360.15p. Average weekly standing order collection is £350. Thank you for your generosity. Thank you.

**Claude Green, Rest in Peace** We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Claude Green, Rest in Peace. The Requiem Mass for Claude's soul will be on Monday 5th of August at 1:30p.m. in Our Lady and Saint George's Church. The burial will be in the City of London. Our condolences to Maria and family.

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



Joke of the Week: My favourite film is the Clint Eastwood classic "Unforgiven". At the moment they are working on a sequel. "Look, I Said I'm Sorry" (attributed to Tim Vine)

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 4/8/19 to 11/08/2019**

06:00pm	O'Sullivan and Browne Family Intentions
Sun 4 August	<b>EIGHTEEN SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TME</b>
08:30am	Steven Rodrigues (Intentions) (Louella)
10:00am	Maria Piconi (Intentions)
12:00noon	Parishioners
02:30 pm	Syro Malabar Mass
Mon 5 August	<b>FERIA</b>
9:15am	James Gummett (Intentions) (Loura Hodge)
01:30pm Requiem Mass	Requiem Mass –Claude Green(Rest in Peace)
04:00pm	Whipps Cross Hospital Mass- Holy Souls.
06:00pm	Pali Family Intentions (Bezim Pali)
Tue 6 August	<b>TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD</b>
09:15am	Fr. Jean Laurent Marie's Intentions
06:00pm	Dr. Paul Doherty's Intentions
Wed 7 August	<b>FERIA</b>
09:15am	Michael Charles Intentions (Gertrude Charles)
06:00pm	Julian Rodrigues (Intentions) (Louella)
Thu 8 August	<b>SAINT DOMINIC, PRIEST</b>
09:15am	Teresa's Intentions
06:00pm	Safety of Parishioners on Holidays
Fri 9 August	<b>SAINT TERESA BEBEDICTA OF THE CROSS</b>
09:15am	Fr. Nixon's Intentions
06:00pm	Fr. Niall's Intentions
Sat 10 August	<b>SAINT LAWRENCE, DEACPN AND MARTYR</b>
10:00am	Parishioners
06:00pm	Pat Maloney (Rest in Peace ) (Bernie)
Sun 11 August	<b>NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>
08:30 am	Romeo Rodrigues (Rest in Peace) ( Stella)
10:00 am	Kitty Macrey's Intentions (Mc Kenna)
12:00noon	Colin Cawley (Rest in Peace ) (Bernadette Wilson)
02:30 pm	Syro Malabar Mass

**Happy and Safe Holidays to all Parishioners.**

## Mass times and intentions at Our Lady and St. George 12/8/19 to 18/8/19

<b>Mon 12 August</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>9:15am</b>	Rodney Meyer (Rest in Peace) (James Fletcher)
<b>04:00pm</b>	Whipps Cross Hospital Mass- Holy Souls.
<b>06:00pm</b>	Dr. Paul Doherty's Intentions
<b>Tue 13 August</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>09:15am</b>	Theresa Kalpee (Intentions) (Kristina)
<b>06:00pm</b>	Annamma Sebastian (Rest in Peace) (Sunny)
<b>Wed 14 August</b>	<b>SAINT MAXIMILLIAN MARY KOLBE, PRIEST, MARTYR</b>
<b>09:15am</b>	Elizabeth's Intentions
<b>07:30 pm (Vigil Mass)</b>	Caesar and Yasmin Sanches (Intentions) (Louella)
<b>Thu 15 August</b>	<b>THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b>
<b>09:15am</b>	Jack Cullen (Anniversary) (Family)
<b>7:30pm</b>	John and Jacinta Heagney's Intentions
<b>Fri 16 August</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>09:15am</b>	Tom Flynn (Rest in Peace) (Dave Moss)
<b>06:00pm</b>	Kunjamma Mathew (Rest in Peace) (Sunny)
<b>Sat 17 August</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>10:00am</b>	Domingo Romion (Rest in Peace)
<b>06:00pm</b>	Alice D'Arcy (Rest in Peace) (Family)
<b>Sun 18 August</b>	<b>TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>
<b>08:30 am</b>	Andre Uzice (Rest in Peace) (Lucy)
<b>10:00 am</b>	Kathleen Ellwood (Rest in Peace) (Family)
<b>12:00noon</b>	Paul and Sylvia Yamson Intentions
<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 Belzair, Tina Henriques, Christopher O' Neill, Alan and Ross Smith, Stefan, Monica Baugh, Eileen O Kane, Louis Marie, Grace Mecaley, Jadwiga, Matthias Fredberg, Michael White, Bernadette Wilson, Fr. Jean Laurent Marie

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