

CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST GEORGE

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Lower Site 8520 8500. Upper Site: 8520 3552

Holy Family Catholic College: 8520 0482/8520 3587

Charity Number: 234092

THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME –02/03 NOVEMBER 2019

Dear Parishioners,

Saint Luke the artist has painted the picture of this story so well that Zacchaeus stuck up in the tree has stuck in our memories since childhood days. Whatever drew Zacchaeus out from his tax office that day, the eagerness to see Jesus that made a man of his status run and climb a tree was the opening Jesus needed to bring about a conversion.

Imagine the sight: any grown man up a tree where you might expect to find children would be a talking-point, but a man of seniority and responsibility in his fine clothes, like Zacchaeus, trying his best to keep his balance and praying the branch wouldn't break, was a laughing-stock to the crowd. However, the laughing soon stopped. Here was the best-known swindler in town, and yet he's the one rewarded with the visit from the special guest. The disapproval is universal; not only the Pharisees, but all of them complained. Unlike Jesus, however, no-one can bring themselves to use his name. 'He has gone to stay at a sinner's house,' they moan.

If I ask how you feel towards Zacchaeus, you'll likely notice that Saint Luke has managed to rouse in you the exact feeling towards Zacchaeus that stirred in Jesus' heart that day. Jesus held that his dignity as a child of Abraham far outweighed his sin. Likewise, our status as children of God is the dignity that means God comes us when others disapprove when our reputation is in the mud. One of the greatest mistakes we make is thinking that because we have sinned, or haven't been to Mass, or haven't given God a thought in ages, that God wouldn't touch us with a bargepole. God's approach is so wonderfully and strikingly the opposite: because of any sin we carry, God in Jesus makes a point of coming to our town and looking for us by name in order to come in and sit down with us at table. Jesus will never leave us sitting, legs swinging up in the tree; 'Come down,' he says, 'I want to stay at yours.'

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 Course The next Baptism course will be in Monday 18th November at 19:00 in the church. Godparents are warmly welcome.

Baptism: We welcome into the Community of Faith, Arthur Michael Lange on Sunday 17th of November. Every blessing to the family

We wish Fr. Joseph a happy vacation in Kerala for the month of November.

November is the month of Holy Souls. November Holy Souls envelopes can be collected at the repository. Please fill in the names of deceased family and place the list with your donation inside the envelope and return in the collection basket during Mass or through the presbytery letter box. Please attend any of the November Holy Souls Masses and pray for your deceased loved one.

Parish Choirs: On Thursdays beginning 21st of November and every Thursday after that there will be an extra choir rehearsal

HCPT Bingo Night - Friday 15 November HCPT fundraising Bingo Night Friday 15th November - 7pm for a 7:30 start. Venue : OLSG Junior School, Shernhall Street, Walthamstow E17 3EA Entrance: Adults £3, children £1. Bingo Books : £6 for 3, £10 for 6. BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS AND NIBBLES and all the family are welcome.(Some snacks will be also available to buy). Looking forward to seeing you all there!

Fire Marshalls are requested to wear the Fire Marshalls armbands at all weekend Masses.

Saint Elizabeth House from Holy Family School will be celebrating their patroness saint at the 9:15 a.m. Mass on Tuesday 5th of November.

Open Day-Holy Family School Date of our Sixth Form Open Evening which will take place on Thursday 14th November, 2019.

PARISH SUNDAY COFFEE MORNING PARTNERSHIP - Announce the launch of the Sunday Coffee Mornings after 10am Mass from 11am - 12.30pm, commencing on the 10 November 2019, term time only. Come and join us! Families please bring a lonely friend or neighbour.

Mass of Remembrance and Commemoration of loved ones, Sunday 10th November, 2.30pm, Walsingham House at Abbotswick. If you are the friend or family member of someone who is remembered at Abbotswick, you are very welcome to this Mass, where the names of all those commemorated there will be read out, and a candle lit for each of them. For more details email josephbeattie@dioceseofbrentwood.org or telephone 01277 373959.

PAN-AFRICAN ANNUAL MASS The 22nd Pan-African Annual Mass for the African Communities will be celebrated on 10th November 2019 at 3pm prompt, at St George's Catholic Church, 132 Shernhall Street, Walthamstow, London E17 9HU. The main celebrant this year is Rt. Revd. Msgr. Keith Newton, the Ordinary of the Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham. The African Chaplains and other Clergy together with the various African Community Choirs will be in attendance. The theme of the Mass is "African Catholic Youth in the Church, today and tomorrow". Special Reception follows after the Mass in the Parish Hall and all are cordially invited.

DAY of VOCATION: SATURDAY 30 NOVEMBER, 9.30AM TO 4PM St. Francis, Grove Crescent Road, Stratford London E15 1NS, to consider our Baptismal calling and God's call in the Church to Single, Married, Religious, Ordained and Lay Ministers. Please indicate interest by 22nd November via email: vocationsday@gmail.com and bring a shared lunch".

Second Collection Parish St Vincent de Paul Society On Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th November Masses St George's SVP Conference are having our annual Christmas appeal second collection towards our Senior Citizens lunch and supporting needy individuals and families at Christmas. Last year we had 60 Senior Citizens at the Christmas lunch, and were able to help a number of families with money and hampers. Please be generous as there are a lot of people in our community needing help and support.

Christian Kitchen Appeal This weekend at all Masses.

Mass attendance last weekend 689 and at Syro Malabar Mass 130. The collection last week was £1,287.20 p. Average weekly standing order collection is £350.

John Latouche , Rest in Peace We pray for the happy repose of the soul of John Latouche, Rest in Peace. The Requiem Mass for John's soul will be on Thursday 14th of November at 11a.m. here in Our Lady and Saint George Church.

<u>counting Rota</u>	20/10B	27/10E	3/11B	10/11E	17/11F	24/11F
<u>Hospital Rota</u>	20/10D	27/10A	3/11B	10/11D	17/11A	24/11B



Joke of the Week: I told my girlfriend to buy some Japanese food. Sushi did
(Attributed to Tim Vine)

Our parish safe guarding officials are Jenny Richmond and Marina Tuddy.

Mass times and intentions at Our Lady and St. George

06:00pm	Josie Maloney (Rest in Peace) (Bernie)
Sun 03 November	THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
08:30am	Abandoned Souls (Rest in Peace) (Louella)
10:00am	Michael Daly (Rest in Peace) (Roseline)
12:00noon	Antinio Castillo (Rest in Peace) (Family)
02:30pm	Syro Malabar Mass
Mon 4 November	SAINT CHARLES BORROME0, BISHOPS
9:15am	Cyrus and Ana Paula (Intentions) (Louella)
04:00pm	Whipps Cross Hopital- Mass-(Patients and Family)
06:00pm	Athullya Roy (Thanksgiving) (Family)
Tue 5 November	FERIA
09:15am	Holy Souls
06:00pm	Boyce Chandisingh (Rest in Peace)
Wed 6 November	FERIA
09:15am	Fr. Nixons Intentions (Fitzpatrick)
06:00pm	Holy Souls
Thu 7 November	FERIA
09:15am	Mark Leach (Rest in Peace) (Cesar and Nelly)
06:00pm	Parishioners
Fri 08 November	FERIA
09:15am	Holy Souls
06:00pm	Fr. Nixon's Intentions
Sat 9 November	THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA
10:00am	Holy Souls
06:00pm	Phoebe Roach (Rest in Peace) (Gertrudes)
Sun 10 November	THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY)
08:30 am	Holy Souls
10:00 am	Brida Walsh (Rest in Peace) (Family)
12:00noon	Rosine Minnah (Rest in Peace) (Family)
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, Bernadette Wilson, Fr. Jean Laurent Marie, Fr Paul Dynan, Roy and Margaret Bandhu, Maura Stone, Alma Willox

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