

## **Catholic Parish of Our Lady and St George**

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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**

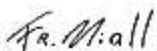
### **THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME C - 16/17 NOVEMBER 2019**

Dear Parishioners,

Maybe today's Gospel gives you and me a small knot of anxiety in our stomachs for half an hour or so; but can you imagine what Jesus' words sound like this weekend in Yemen, or in Syria? Citizens in such places must feel like their end is nigh in a very real way. Since pre-biblical times, people have lived through alarming and foreboding circumstances, whether brought on by war and politics, or as earthquakes of a personal nature, often disruptive, sometimes tragic. At times we feel on trial for the Christian way of life we try to uphold. Whatever difficult times and persecutions come to our door, Jesus seeks to prepare people for inevitable challenge, so as to guide what our Christian response should be. This type of prophecy in scripture is meant to help us in the present and it seems the Lord gives at least a couple of pointers in that regard.

When Jesus speaks about portents and signs, we must be able to bring in the world as it is to God, and see his hand in the sign of our times. Where is God at work in my own life? where is the Holy Spirit trying to change my course? What is God saying to us, in events both happy and sad? We must do our best to read all these things using the light of God's word and the experience (tradition) of the Church. Furthermore, Jesus explicitly recommends endurance through all our difficulties. The Saviour is looking for our staying-power, for that depth of relationship with him that means we are stuck to God like limpets to a rock when winds blow and storms beat all around us. The Jews in the Gospel thought that the Temple would last forever, but it was torn down. Anything that we humans put up eventually crumbles and falls. God alone is permanent, unchanging, everlasting, so when our very lives seem to be on the brink, it is to God alone that we look for the meaning and relationship that never waver with the winds of change.

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

Session 2 of the parish Sacrament of Confirmation preparation course will be on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> of November. . The title of the talk will be....Relationship with God and one another....4p.m in the back hall. Please follow the signs for the back hall.

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

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 21<sup>st</sup> of November and every Thursday after that there will be an extra choir rehearsal

**Altar Servers** Fr John will run a practice session for all altar servers on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November after the 10a.m. Mass. Do your best to attend.

Coffee after the 10am Mass this Sunday will be hosted by the altar servers.

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

Year 7 from Holy Family School will be attending the 9:15a.m. Mass on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> of November. They will begin their retreat and day of reflection with Holy Mass.

**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 22<sup>nd</sup> November via email: vocationsday@gmail.com and bring a shared lunch".

**SVP Senior Citizens Lunch** This year's Senior Citizen lunch will take place on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December from 3 pm to 5 pm and as usual will be held in Our Lady and St George lower site school. Sign up sheet for those interested is on the noticeboard. Please let someone who you know and would be interested and in need of company invite them to come along. Places are limited to 50.

**REFLECTION** : Art, Poetry, Music and Discipleship .....The saints' lives and writings often bring to life before us some aspect of the life of Jesus, the Word made flesh and make it present among us. Saint Francis of Assisi (+1224) was devoted to the humanity of Christ. His vision of the Cross was a human Jesus who suffered and died. This influenced Art and the depictions of the Crucifixion showed someone truly suffering.....Poetry and Music are important for us because they help us accept our brokenness and allow God to shine his light in our hearts. We can admit that we are broken and begin to form communities of the shaken. As Oscar Wilde said " How else but through a broken heart may the Lord Jesus enter in" (Ballad of Reading Gaol)

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> of November has been designated '**Red Wednesday.**' This is an initiative by Aid to the Church in Need to support the persecuted Church throughout the world. Each and everybody is invited to wear some red garment to show solidarity to our brothers and sisters in Christ who do not have the freedom to practice their Christian faith as we do.

**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion** This is an important meeting for all Extraordinary Ministers to be held on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2019 after morning Mass 10.30 am - 12.30 pm in the meeting room. Ministers are required [not optional] to attend if you are not able to attend please give your apology to Jenny Richmond so an appointment can be made for you to meet with her. Thank you to all Ministers who give their time for this important Ministry.

Catholic Singles is an organisation which helps single Catholics of all ages (over 18 years) meet other single Catholics, either one to one or through social events. For further information visit [www.catholicssingles.org.uk](http://www.catholicssingles.org.uk) or tel. 0161 941 3498

Mass attendance last weekend 638. The collection last week was £1577.62p. Average weekly standing order collection is £350.

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



**Joke of the Week:** Apparently in Hawaii they like to honour Lulu (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

<b>06:00pm</b>	Ellen Fletcher (Rest in Peace) (Joan Carey)
<b>Sun 17 November</b>	<b>THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>
<b>08:30am</b>	Mgsr. Zachary D'Souza
<b>10:00am</b>	Dwain Anthony Brown (Rest in Peace) (Family)
<b>12:00noon</b>	Jacqueline Keane (Rest in Peace)( Family)
<b>02:30noon</b>	Syro Malabar Mass
<b>Mon 18 November</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>9:15am</b>	Annette White (Rest in Peace) (English Famiy)
<b>04:00pm</b>	Whipps Cross Hopital- Mass-(Patients and Family)
<b>06:00pm</b>	Jacqui Bhuyoun's Intentions
<b>Tue 19 November</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>09:15am</b>	Holy Souls
<b>06:00pm</b>	Canon Anthony Griffith's (Rest in Peace) (Pact Mass)
<b>Wed 20 November</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>09:15am</b>	Annette White (Rest in Peace) (English Famiy)
<b>06:00pm</b>	Holy Souls
<b>Thu 21 November</b>	<b>THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b>
<b>09:15am</b>	Adeline Rosario (Rest in Peace) (Louella)
<b>06:00pm</b>	Francis Palmer (Rest in Peace) (Doreen Palmer and Family)
<b>Fri 22 November</b>	<b>SAINT CECILA VIRGIN AND MARTYR</b>
<b>09:15am</b>	Caesar and Yasmin (Intentions) (Louella)
<b>06:00pm</b>	Mary Behan (Rest in Peace) (Ellen Harte)
<b>Sat 23 November</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>10:00am</b>	Holy Souls
<b>06:00pm</b>	Sean Lyons (Rest in Peace) (Fitzpatrick)
<b>Sun 24 November</b>	<b>OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE</b>
<b>08:30 am</b>	Deceased Members of R and S Rodrigues (Rest in Peace) (Stella)
<b>10:00 am</b>	Holy Souls
<b>12:00noon</b>	Veronica Amankwah (Rest in Peace) (Family)
<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, Jadwiga, Matthias Fredberg, Michael White, Bernadette Wilson, Fr. Jean Laurent Marie, Fr Paul Dynan, Roy and Margaret Bandhu, Maura Stone, Alma Willox, John Walsh, Chantale Wildman

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