

Catholic Parish of Our Lady and St George

132 Shernhall Street, Walthamstow E17 9HU

Tel: 020 8520 5877

E-mail: parishoffice@olsg.co.uk Website: www.olsg.co.uk

Fr. Niall Harrington; Fr. John Victor

Fr. Joseph Anthiamkulam (Syro-Malabar Chaplain);

Rev. Joseph Baffour-Awuah (Permanent Deacon)

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

SIXTH WEEK OF EASTER – 17 MAY 2020

Dear Parishioners,

The first reading describes how the Holy Spirit helped Philip, the Deacon, to preach powerfully and convert the Samaritans in large numbers. It also explains how the baptized Samaritans received a fresh anointing of the Holy Spirit through the imposition of hands by the apostles Peter and John. In the second reading, Peter shows us the God-fearing lives the Holy Spirit makes it possible for us believers to live in the midst of opposition and persecution.

Today's Gospel, taken from the "Last Supper Discourse," describes the gift Jesus will ask the Father to send, the Holy Spirit, Who will live as the *Paraclete*, the Divine Advocate, in those who obey Jesus' commandments, especially the commandment of love. Thus, Jesus will continue to live in his believers with the indwelling Father and the Holy Spirit, so that we will not be left as orphans. The risen Jesus' continued presence in us and in the Church through the Holy Spirit gives meaning and purpose to all we are and all we do in his Name. As the Divine Advocate, the Holy Spirit will instruct us in Jesus' doctrines and illumine our minds to receive deeper knowledge of our Faith. In addition, the Divine Advocate will enable us to defend our Faith powerfully and will guide us properly in our practice of true Christian love. Thus, we will be able to recognize Jesus in the in the poor, in the sick, in the homeless, in the marginalized, in the outcast, in the drug addicts, and even in the criminals ("*I was in prison...*"), and so to become agents of healing and reconciliation in a broken and divided world.

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.

Online Mass

Following government instructions, we have to sadly temporarily close the church. As for the foreseeable future there will be no mass celebrations open for parishioners to attend and we regret that Fr Niall and I were unable to provide live streaming of mass in the last couple of weeks because of health reasons. It is our intention to offer mass for online viewing only which will be streamed live via the parish Facebook page (Our Lady and St George Catholic Church, Walthamstow). For those who have a Facebook account, please look out for Our Lady and St George Catholic Church, Walthamstow account in Facebook, "like" and follow the page so you can access the live stream mass. Thank you for your patience and God bless you all. Link:

<https://m.facebook.com/ourladyandstgeorgecc/> or
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTi5MWZzTWsJzZ-RLVbbtnQ>

Liturgy Timings: 18.05.2020 – 23.05.2020: 9.15 am

24.05.2020 – Sunday, Seventh Week of Easter: 10 am

Conferral of Canonship: The Canonship is conferred to the canon elect Rev. Fr. Niall Harrington on 18.05.2020 at 9.15 am at Our Lady and St. George Catholic Church by our Bishop's delegate Rev. Canon Patrick J Sammon. Hence, all our parishioners are invited whole-heartedly to participate at the live-streaming conferral liturgy.

Distribution of Holy Communion: Every Sunday afternoon Holy Communion is distributed to those who desire to receive. Hence, anyone wants to receive Holy Communion, Please give a call (020 8520 5877) or mail it in (parishoffice@olsg.co.uk).

Mass Stipends: Those who want to give mass stipends may write the intention and if there is a donation include it and drop it in the presbytery door.

Suspension of the courses: In the light of the danger of Corona virus, all the courses for Confirmation have been suspended until we receive further directions from the higher officials.

Raymond Bernard Daniel, Rest in Peace: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Raymond Bernard Daniel, Rest in Peace. The Liturgy and cremation of Raymond Bernard Daniel's soul will be on Tuesday 19th May at 10.45 am at the City of London Crematorium.

Joe McGee, Rest in Peace: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Joe McGee, Rest in Peace. Our hearty condolence to Marie and the family.

Parish Finances: I have received a number of queries concerning Parish Finances.,

Firstly, I would like to acknowledge the many parishioners who are going through a difficult time financially and some have lost their jobs. For those who are in a position to help the parish and are asking how they can help during the lock down, there are a few ways in which you can help:

- a. By taking out a direct debit mandate, if you are not donating by standing order yet. This also applies to those who donate using weekly offertory envelopes; you can change your way of donating by standing order instead of weekly envelope. Just email the parish and we will give you the standing order form.
- b. By joining gift aid if you are a tax payer and have not signed up to gift aid yet.
- c. By donating online via:
<https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations/?parish=walthamstow-1>
<https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations/?parish=walthamstow-1>
(this can also be gift aided), or
- d. Some may wish to allow contributions to accumulate until our church reopens. To all those who have given generously through the years, thank you very much. I will ensure that your offering are spent wisely and used prudently. God bless you."

Fr. Niall

Mass Intentions

Sun 17 May	Sebastian's Intentions (M & M. Thalanany)
	Ambrose Dillesworth (Rest in Peace) (Cathy)
Mon 18 May	Justin Dumas (Jane)
	Intentions of Betty Ramsey and Family (Jane)
Tue 19 May	Intentions of Jane and Family (Jane)
	Tom (Intentions)
Wed 20 May	Religious Communities of our Parish
	Thanksgiving (Athira)
Thu 21 May	Jane (Thanksgiving) (Jane)
	Jane's Intentions for neighbours (Jane)
Fri 22 May	Richard Balfe (Rest in Peace) (Family)
	Mary (Rest in Peace) (Roy)
Sat 23 May	Priests' Intentions
	Parishioners

Sun 24 May	Fr. Anthony Conchman (Thanksgiving for 50 years of Priesthood) (Len and Babs).
	Special Intention of Jane (Jane)

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, Neill, Alan and Ross Smith, Stefan, Monica Baugh, Eileen O Kane, Grace McCaley, Jadwiga, Matthias Fredberg, Michael White, Fr. Jean Laurent Marie, Fr Paul Dynan, Roy and Margaret Bandhu, Alma Willox, John Walsh, Chantale Wildman, Christopher Almeda, Aileen Mensah, Sr. Helen, Sr. Sherin, Pat Howland, Josephine Walsh (Paul), Jenni Richmond, Terry Coe, Stephen Donnelly, Daniel Donnelly.

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

Samaritans 020 8520 9191.