

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

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY (A) – 29/30 AUGUST 2020

Dear Parishioners,

Today's readings explain how we should practice true, dynamic Christian discipleship. Jeremiah, in the first reading, is certainly a prototype of the suffering Christ. In the Responsorial Psalm (Ps 65), the Psalmist manifests his profound trust in God, just as Jeremiah himself does. In the second reading, Paul advises the Romans and us (Rom 12:1-2): *to 'offer our bodies as a living sacrifice'* to God by explicitly rejecting the ungodly behaviour of the world around us and by discerning and doing the will of God.

In today's Gospel, the Lord reminds us that Christian discipleship demands self-control ("*Deny yourself*"), the willingness to suffer ("*take up your cross*"), the readiness to follow Jesus by obeying his commandment of love, and generosity in surrendering our lives to God ("*to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice to God*" (Rom 12:1). Jesus takes his disciples by surprise when, after Peter's great confession of Faith, Jesus announces that he "*must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised.*" After correcting Peter's protest, Jesus announces the three conditions of Christian discipleship: "*Deny yourself, take up your cross and follow me.*" Are we ready to follow the Lord?

Have a Blessed Week

Canon Niall

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

Gratitude:

- 1) Thanks again to the parishioners for their donations and gift aid envelopes. If you have not done so, your new box with your name is in the Church porch.
- 2) A big thanks to many parishioners who remain for cleaning after each Mass to sanitize the church pews in preparation for the next Mass – Thank you for all you do.

Tuesday 1st September: Please note that 100 members of staff from Holy Family School will be attending the 9.15 am Mass. One option would be to come along to the 6 pm on that Tuesday for those come to the 9.15 am Mass - the Mass for the staff.

Children's fun walk: Brentwood Catholic children's society has registered for the Fun Walk which normally takes place at the Barleylands Farm site in Billericay. This year the participants and parish groups are invited to walk 2k or 5k **anywhere they wish at any time during September** and ask for sponsorship from friends and family to help support our work. All details and sponsorship forms are available on www.bccs.org.uk under the Events/Virtual Fun Walk tab or follow us on social media for updates. We would be very happy to hear from parish or family groups who would like to walk for us – please email Libby: lphillips@bccs.org.uk

TV Licenses for Over 75's: Since August 2020 there is changes to the over-75's TV license. You are entitled to a *free TV license if:* a) You, as the license holder are 75 years or older, and b). You, or your partner living at the same address, receive Pension Credit. For queries Please call: 0300 790 6117.

Fraudster Attempts: There are some fraudster attempts to steal have taken place in neighbouring parish. His/her email address is: leadpastor0102@gmail.com Hence, beware of such fraudster attempts.

Mass Intention: If you wish to request mass for a specific date – A minimum one month's notice is required.

Guidelines on reopening of the Church

- Please follow one way system, social distancing and the guidance by the volunteers.
- If you have an illness/feeling unwell, please remain at home until you are fully recovered.
- Entrance only through the front door and exit only through the farther right side door near the sanctuary.
- You will be signed into Mass – Name and Telephone.
- Use Sanitizers, gloves and face coverings/masks.
- Please observe all the signs of social distancing regarding where to sit/kneel in the church.

- Keep social distancing.
 - No Altar-servers, readers and deacon for the liturgy.
 - Very brief homily.
 - There will be no offertory procession of gifts and collection during Holy Mass; instead you may drop your contribution at the basket kept at the entrance and exit as well.
 - There is no exchange of the sign of peace.
 - After the prayer “*Behold the Lamb of God . . . Lord I am not worthy,*” when the priest holds up the host and says “*The Body of Christ*” the congregation respond “*Amen*”. In the same way, when the priest elevates the chalice and says “*The Blood of Christ*” the congregation respond “*Amen*”. The communion will be distributed in silence.
 - Communicants may receive Holy Communion, in their hands, palms upwards, one on the top of the other, should be extended as flatly as possible.
 - No Extra ordinary Lay ministers of Holy Communion.
 - Come to receive Holy Communion only under the guidance of the stewards.
 - Come early for weekend Masses - church capacity is only 150.
 - It is not a known fact on how many people will attend mass. Consequently one way of managing this is for people to come to the weekday masses in the church.
 - Offertory collection and donations to be placed in the baskets as you exit after Holy Mass.
 - Priests are told to go directly to the sacristy after mass.
- Mass times: Weekday Mass:** 9.15 am and 6.00 pm
Saturday: 10.00 am and 6.00 pm
Sunday: 10.00 am and 12.00 pm
- There will be no hand outs (Mass sheets, News Letters, hymn books etc.,) for the masses for the foreseeable future.
 - Choir returns in September.
 - Families or individuals please sit and kneel at the places assigned.
 - Neither holy water nor votive candles are available at present.
 - Please refrain from touching statues.
 - No access to the toilets, but only in emergency.
 - Please leave the church promptly.

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Our parish safe guarding officials are Jenny Richmond and Marina Tuddy.
Samaritans 020 8520 9191.

Mass Times and Intentions at Our Lady and St. George

6.00 pm	Sally, John, Elizabeth, Sherindan-longhrey (Rest in Peace) (Geraldine)
Sun 30 Aug	TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)
10.00 am	Evangeline (Rest in Peace) (Elizabeth)
12.00 noon	Thanksgiving for Rukeuwe Natufes (Joy (Family))
02.30 pm	Syro Malabar Mass
Mon 31 Aug	FERIA
10.00 am	Hayden Family (Maria)
6.00 pm	Evangeline (Rest in Peace) (Conrad & Carol)
Tue 01 Sep	St. Sebbi, King of the East Saxons Diocesan Memorial
9.15 am	Almeida Family - Intentions (Conrad & Carol)
6.00p m	Marty O'Leary (Rest in Peace) (Cassidy)
Wed 02 Sep	FERIA
9.15 am	Evangeline (Rest in Peace) (Delphin)
6.00 pm	Evangeline (Rest in Peace) (Theresa & Family)
Thu 03 Sep	St. Gregory the Great, P, D National Feast
9.15 am	Evangeline (Rest in Peace) (Rosebell & Family)
6.00 pm	Maum Family Intentions (Maum)
Fri 04 Sep	FERIA
9.15 am	Ronald Charles (Rest in Peace) (Gertrude)
6.00 pm	Thanksgiving (Roy & Shynamma)
Sat 05 Sep	FERIA
10.00 am	Sebastian's Intentions (Mathew & Mariamma Thalanany)
6.00 pm	Tony Keane (Rest in Peace) (Family)
Sun 06 Sep	TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)
10.00 am	Thanksgiving (Maum)
12.00 noon	Thanksgiving (Dr. Paul Doherty)
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, Neill, Alan and Ross Smith, Stefan, Monica Baugh, Eileen O Kane, Grace McCaley, Jadwiga, Matthias Fredberg, Michael White, Fr. Jean Laurent Marie, Roy and Margaret Bandhu, Alma Willox, John Walsh, Chantale Wildman, Christopher Almeida, Aileen Mensah, Sr. Helen, Pat Howland, Josephine Walsh (Paul), Jennie Richmond, Terry Coe, Stephen Donnelly, Daniel Donnelly. Sruthy, Brendan Mc Donagh (aged 5), Liberee Uwimana, Violet Alahendran, Angela & Danny Mc Namara.