

**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-FOURTH SUNDAY (A) – 12/13 SEPTEMBER, 2020**

1<sup>st</sup> Sept – 4<sup>th</sup> October – Season of Creation

Dear Parishioners,

The need to be the people of forgiveness is not just as a matter of Christian faith: it's also a matter of common sense. Many of us have met the kind of person who seems to lack the ability to let go of even rather small offences; the person who, on the other hand, has a memory like an elephant, but on the other hand, have a poor memory, because they seem to have forgotten so much of good they've experienced. It's as so much of their memory's capacity is taken up with hurt there's no space left for blessings.

A person in that sad situation is, ironically, a very good advertisement for forgiveness, for rising above life's hurts. They can remind us of the common sense that tells us not to burden ourselves.

But what common sense asks of us is not easy, and the other place from which we get the logic of forgiveness and the ability to forgive is our faith. Here's good general rule that we might bear in mind whenever we hear or read the Gospel; when Jesus teaches us something persistently, we can be sure of two things: it's possible, and it's difficult. In the Gospel we've just heard, Jesus very strongly teaches the need for forgiveness, and it's to him that we as Christians need to look, to find the ability to forgive. Pope John Paul once wrote: 'What does it mean to forgive, if not appeal to a good that is greater than any evil?' He was referring to the forgiveness of appalling crimes and hurts, even for lesser hurts, that insight is valid. To forgive is an act of human common sense; but to forgive as a Christian is to trust that God can work out all hurts and offences in his time and his way.

**Have a Blessed Week**

**Canon Niall**

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

**Gratitude:**

- 1). Mrs. Maria Watras from Poland (her daughter and grand-daughter are our parishioners here in St. George's Parish) has presented a most beautiful chasuble to the parish. It is wonderfully hand made in her own of Our Lady. The clergy wore it for the first time on Tuesday last on the feast of the Nativity of Our Lady. Thank You Maria.
- 2). 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.
- 3). 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.

Every blessing to Aathira and Ronald who marry on 14<sup>th</sup> September.

**Congratulations and blessings** to Mr & Mrs Das Senior who celebrated **50 years of marriage** this week.

**Birthday Blessings** to Victoria Wyndham who celebrated her birthday this week. **Belated birthday greetings** to Jada and also her dad who both celebrated birthdays recently.

We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Sarah Bernedette Larkin, Rest in Peace. The Requiem Mass will be on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> of October in the City of London Cemetery Chapel followed by burial.

**First Holy Communions:** See Jennifer's Letter to the Parents in our website.

**Sacrament of Confirmation** – plans are afoot to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for all the **candidates** in the near future. Please keep up to date on the parish website.

Today, Sunday, we welcome into the community of Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism Roisin O Reilly and also Novaen Marilyn Nevin. God bless those families.

**Fraudster Attempts:** Several fraudster attempts to steal have taken place in neighbouring parishes. For details look at the notice board.

**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.

Counting Rota	13/09B	20/09F	27/09E	04/10B	11/10E
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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

<b>6.00 pm</b>	<b>John &amp; Josie Keane (Rest in Peace) (Family)</b>
<b>Sun 13 Sep</b>	<b>TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) – Education Day</b>
<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>Private Intention</b>
<b>12.00 noon</b>	<b>Evelyn Piotrowski (Rest in Peace)(Louise)</b>
<b>02.30 pm</b>	<b>Syro Malabar Mass</b>
<b>Mon 14 Aug</b>	<b>EXALTATION (TRIUMPH) OF THE HOLY CROSS - Feast</b>
<b>9.15 am</b>	<b>Jack Cullen (Rest in Peace) (Family)</b>
<b>6.00 pm</b>	<b>Holy Souls (Betty)</b>
<b>Tue 15 Sep</b>	<b>Our Lady of Sorrows - Memorial</b>
<b>9.15 am</b>	<b>Michael Pillai (Rest in Peace)</b>
<b>6.00p m</b>	<b>Holy Souls (Betty)</b>
<b>Wed 16 Sep</b>	<b>St. Cornelius, P, &amp; Cyprian, Bp, Mm - Memorial</b>
<b>9.15 am</b>	<b>Mary Heaney’s Intentions (90<sup>th</sup> Birthday) (Sr. Ann Marie)</b>
<b>6.00 pm</b>	<b>Amal &amp; Aagin – Thanksgiving (Roy)</b>
<b>Thu 17 Sep</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>9.15 am</b>	<b>Intentions of Jenny Richmond (Gertrude)</b>
<b>6.00 pm</b>	<b>Tracy Redman’s Intentions (Betty)</b>
<b>Fri 18 Sep</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>9.15 am</b>	<b>McGhie Family Intetions</b>
<b>6.00 pm</b>	<b>Vocations to the Priesthood (Betty)</b>
<b>Sat 19 Sep</b>	<b>FERIA</b>
<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>Sebastian’s Intentions (Mathew &amp; Mariamma Thalanany)</b>
<b>6.00 pm</b>	<b>Evangeline (Rest in Peace) (Cesar &amp; Nelly)</b>
<b>Sun 20 Sep</b>	<b>TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) – Home Mission Day</b>
<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>Wesley de Souza (Rest in Peace) (Bridget)</b>
<b>12.00 noon</b>	<b>Chos Yee (Rest in Peace) (Ping)</b>
<b>02.30 pm</b>	<b>Syro Malabar Mass</b>

### 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, Sebastian, 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, Bernedette Doherty.