

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

**Rev. Canon 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

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY (A) – 17/18 OCTOBER 2020

Dear Parishioners,

We always mention you in our prayers.

Rose is a resident in Nazareth Care Home in Hammersmith, London. She is a gracious lady and a true teacher of prayer. She has insights that are profound. She said to me recently, 'that the gift of prayer has been strangled by the incessant demands of our consumer society, and that modern life was much ado about nothing, 'She went on to make a challenging observation: 'that the church has colluded with this mind-set and its members have become drained by the sheer work-load of keeping things going.'

In the Gospel this Sunday, Jesus says, '*give to God what belongs to God.*' In a sense, this is what we try to do when we gather as a community to pray together at the Eucharist. Here, we try to make our hearts ready to experience God's love in Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit. We live as vulnerable people in the face of crisis and uncertainty. We need God's presence, power, name and word to accompany us through our lives. This was evident when the pandemic of Covid-19 gripped all our lives. We re-discovered the anchorage of prayer to keep us steady in the turbulent times. Today we remember to pray for all missionaries who 'proclaim to all the nations: "God is king".

There is a lady who is living with breast cancer remission. She decided to run a marathon to fund raise for cancer research. She needed to train for this as she was not a long distance runner. She took on an exercise regime to prepare for the race. There is a parallel with prayer. It requires a pattern, a rhythm, a consistence and a discipline. Thomas Merton says 'that when you begin a spiritual practice, though it is difficult, surrender to God your sense of difficulty.'

*Give the Lord, you families of people,
give the Lord glory and power,
give the Lord the glory of his name,
worship the Lord in his temple.*

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.

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week: "With Jesus in the Desert" is a guided online retreat prepared by the Australian Jesuits for people who have to isolate themselves for 14 days during the Coronavirus pandemic. Others, particularly those who are living under lockdown, may also find it helpful. Access this excellent resource at www.newpilgrimpath.ie.

Holy Souls envelopes: November is the month of the Holy Souls. We pray for all our deceased family and loved ones. Please pick up the Holy Souls envelope with list attached. Fill out the names of any deceased person and with your donation place it in the envelope and return to the collection basket as you exit the church after Mass.

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.

The new 2021 Mass intention book has arrived. Anyone who wishes to book a mass on a particular date in 2021 are requested to write out your intentions in an envelope together with your donation.

Congratulations to Abi and Anchu Mol, who married on Monday last here in Our Lady and St. George Church.

Thank you to Ping for donating disposable gloves and sainting gel for the use in the church.

Theodora D'Souza, Rest in Peace: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Theodora D'Souza, Rest in Peace. Condolence to her daughters.

Visiting Priests: In this pandemic please note come to visit the priests in the presbytery having made an appointment.

Those who hold the following envelope numbers on gift-aid please report to either one of the priests. **3015, 3030, 3118, 3221, & 3242.**

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	18/10B	25/10F			
----------------------	---------------	---------------	--	--	--

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

Mass Times and Intentions at Our Lady and St. George

6.00 pm	Joe Murnane (Rest in Peace) (family)
Sun 18 Oct	TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) (World Mission Day)
10.00 am	Margaet Raffo
12.00 noon	Sylvia Yamson & Family (Intentions) (Sylvia)
02.30 pm	Syro Malabar Mass
Mon 19 Oct	FERIA
9.15 am	Eileen Raffo
6.00 pm	Violet Alahendran (Rest in Peace) (Jane)
Tue 20 Oct	FERIA
9.15 am	House bound of the parish (Sr. Anne Marie)
6.00p m	Intentions (Josephine Cheshire)
Wed 21 Oct	FERIA
9.15 am	Thanksgiving (Sr. Anne Marie)
6.00 pm	Intentions (Josephine Cheshire)
Thu 22 Oct	FERIA
9.15 am	Holy souls (Sr. Anne Marie)
6.00 pm	Parishioners
Fri 23 Oct	FERIA
9.15 am	Thanksgiving (Cesar & Nelly)
6.00 pm	Intentions (Weston)
Sat 24 Oct	FERIA
10.00 am	John (Rest in Peace) (Roy)
6.00 pm	Teofila Tuble (Rest in Peace) (Cesar & Nelly)
Sun 25 Oct	TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)
10.00 am	Thanksgiving (Weston)
12.00 noon	Peggy Halpenny (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 Klimauskaite, 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. Brendan Mc Donagh (aged 5), Liberee Uwimana, Violet Alahendran, Bernedette Doherty.