

Mass Times and Intentions at Our Lady and St. George

06.00 pm	Eleanor Fletcher (Rest in Peace) (Carey)
Sun 09 May	Sixth Sunday of Easter (B)
08.30 am	Joyce Fernandes and family – Intentions (Family)
10.00 am	Poole Family (Foundation)
12.00 pm	Mary Callinan (Rest in Peace) (Family)
Mon 10 May	Feria
9.15 am	Dilma's – Intentions (Liria)
06.00 pm	Intentions of Marcel Onos
Tue 11 May	Feria
9.15 am	Richard Halloran (Rest in Peace) (Bernie Maloney)
06.00 pm	Parishioners
Wed 12 May	St. John Houghton, Pr, M
9.15 am	John William Turve (Rest in Peace) (Paciencia)
07.30 pm	Isabell Bonifacio's Intentions
Thu 13 May	The Ascension of the Lord (B) – Solemnity – Holiday of Obligation
9.15 am	Dilma's – Intentions (Liria)
07.30 pm	Klara McBrinn's Intentions (Klara)
Fri 14 May	St. Mathias, Ap – Feast
9.15 am	Special Intentions (Victoria Ibideji)
06.00 pm	In Honour of Our Lady (Betty)
Sat 15 May	Feria
10.00 am	Joe Mc Gee (Rest in Peace) (Family)
06.00 pm	Bernard and Shiela Moss (Rest in Peace) (Family)
Sun 16 May	Seventh Sunday of Easter (B)
08.30 am	Dean Osie (Rest in Peace) (Louella)
10.00 am	Sr. Brendan's Intentions (Sr. Peggy)
12.00 pm	People of India

Prayer List

Christopher Browne, Rose Dennehy, Carol Hogermeer, Brian Keane, Ignatius Keane, Tony McCarthy, Rose O'Neill, Andrea Roberts, Promise Shinondo, 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, Bridget Lyons, 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, Brid O'Halloran, Tina Henriques, Neill, Alan and Ross Smith, Stefan, Monica Baugh, Eileen O Kane, Grace McCaley, Jadwiga, Matthias Fredberg, Michael White, Fr. Jean Laurent Marie, Margaret Bandhu, Alma Willox, Chantale Wildman, Christopher Almeida, Aileen Mensah, Sr. Helen, Sebastian, Josephine Walsh (Paul), Jennie Richmond, Terry Coe, Brendan Mc Donagh (aged 6), Liberee Uwimana, Violet Alahendran, Bernedette Doherty, Patricia (Bondo), Sadie, Majella (Jo), Lindsey, Ellen, Clarice and Jack, Richard and Christine Martin, Marie, Baby Azelia, Dilma, Lira and Liberee.

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Our Lady and St George's Primary School:

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Holy Family Catholic College: 8520 0482/8520 3587

Charity Number: 234092

Sixth Sunday of Easter – (B) (09.05.2021)

Year of St. Joseph

Dear Parishioners,

An image from recent visit by Pope Francis to Iraq has stayed with me. It was when he visited the old Syrian Catholic Church of the Immaculate Conception in Mosul and where he released a dove in a gesture of peace. This Church was built in 1859. It was used by Muslims when their Mosque was destroyed by Isis. At the back of the altar there is an icon of Christ called, the Saviour's Face. It has survived the vicious violence of Isis.

In this smudged Icon, Christ points to the open book of the Scriptures. The inscribed words in the Icon are from today's Gospel: 'You did not choose me. I have chosen you.' We listen to God's voice through his Word that invites us today to 'remain in his love' (Gospel).

'I have chosen you' are words addressed to us! They are addressed to the Christians in Iraq whose lives have been ruptured by horror and persecution. How were we chosen? What does it mean to be chosen? At Mass we pray, 'Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation' to show that our existence is graced by God's choice of each one of us. The Eucharist is celebrated in many cultures, languages and rites from East to West in the world. It is a sign of the varied choices that God makes! 'God has no favourites' (First Reading). "God sent into the **world** his only Son, so that we could have life through him' (Second Reading).

There have been many 'upper rooms'

Especially for persecuted Christians in the Middle East, the Mass-rocks in penal-day Ireland and the vivid description by Father. Willie Doyle, as a Chaplain in World War One: 'By cutting a piece of the side of the trench, I was able to stand in front of my tiny altar, a biscuit box on two German bayonets. Round me on every side was the biggest congregation I ever had, row after row – but every man was dead.'

'I have chosen you' are words where we recognize that we are called by God, not to become selective, exclusive group or a gathering which is focused solely on its own survival. We are called, chosen, invited and named by our creator-God to be a sign and presence of loving-compassion to all people in the world.

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.

Ascension Day: Thursday 13th May is the Ascension of the Lord:
A Holy of Obligation.

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Mass Times:		
Wed 12 May	9.15 a.m.	7.30 p.m. (Vigil Mass)
Thu 13 May	9.15 a.m.	7.30 p.m.

Bike Rack: A new bike rack has been fixed behind our weekday chapel.

Prayer Circle: We have started a prayer circle to pray (in confidence) for those who are in need of prayer. Those who would like to join please email the parish office or give your name, email ID and address to any of the priests.

Volunteers: We need more volunteers to clean and sanitize the church pews after every Mass.

We have **Adoration** and **Confession** every Saturday after Mass.

Eileen O'Kane, Rest in Peace: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Eileen O'Kane, Rest in Peace. The Requiem Mass for Eileen's soul will be on Thursday 20th May at 11.30 a.m. in Our Lady and St. George Church. The burial service will take place in Drapers town, Northern Ireland.

Winifred Sonia Louis, Rest in Peace: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Winifred Louis, Rest in Peace. The Requiem Mass for Sonia's soul will be on Friday 4th June at 11.00 a.m. in Our Lady and St. George Church.

Cynthia Davis, Rest in Peace: We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Cynthia Davis, Rest in Peace. The Requiem Mass for Cynthia Davis's soul will be on Friday 6th August at 10.30 a.m. in Our Lady and St. George Church.

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.
- Come to receive Holy Communion only under the guidance of the stewards.
- Offertory collection and donations to be placed in the basket as you exit after Holy Mass.
- Please leave the church promptly.

Until we hear different from the Church authorities and government the restrictions for attendance remain:

Baptisms: 6 persons are allowed.

Weddings: 15 persons are allowed.

Funerals: 30 persons are allowed.

Please continue to pray for all who work in the National Health Service.

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