

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

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

(Sea Sunday)

Dear Parishioners,

Meister Eckhart (1260-1328) a Dominican Friar, and was a great Christian mystic. Through the vivid use of imagery such as, the spark of the soul, the abyss, the desert, the birth of the Word in the heart and the pilgrim on foot, Eckhart direct us to that place which lies beyond the image. Take this one: 'God is always at home. It is we who have gone for a walk.' It is full of paradox and depth. Eckhart was unjustly accused of heresy and met with condemnation.

In today's Gospel Jesus literally sends the disciples out for a walk! As his followers they have the job of showing that the mission and the message of Jesus is credible through listening, preaching and healing. Jesus even alerts the disciples to the reality of rejection. He cautions them not to overlook the possibility of Christ having something to teach them in the midst of the ordinary, everyday encounters. The Gospel is about discipleship. Yet, a harsh discipline is what dominated our Church to the detriment of the invitation to follow as learner-disciples.

The Gospel invites us to put aside our own quest for personal independence and to look and listen. We listen to God's Word with expectation in the topsy-turvy world in which we live, with all its clamouring voices enticing us and at times, deflecting us from responding to 'God's kind purposes' for our lives.

In Luke's Gospel (9:57) an un-named man says to Jesus: 'I will follow you wherever you go.' Being a disciple really means following in places of anonymity, rejection, misunderstanding, conflict and challenges. It means being in the company of excluded, the disreputable, the suffering, the poor, the vulnerable and the voiceless.

Pastor Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-1945) wrote a book, *The Cost of Discipleship* in 1937 during the tragic years leading up to the Second World War. He was later to radically live out a discipleship with those who were imprisoned by a Nazi ideology of despicable horrors.

*'Cheap grace is the grace we bestow on ourselves.
Cheap grace is grace without discipleship,
Grace without the cross,
Grace without Jesus Christ, living and incarnate.*

Have a Blessed Week.

Canon Miall

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

Baptism Courses: First and last Monday of the month at 6.30 p.m. in our Church.

Baptism Ceremonies: Second and Third Sunday of each month at 1.15pm

We welcome Niamh Wilbraham into the Community of Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday next. Blessings to all the family.

Fr. Maurice Gordon Congratulations to Fr Maurice Gordon who has been made a Canon for the Brentwood Diocesan Chapter of Canons. The Mass for Fr Maurice's induction will take place in the Cathedral at Brentwood on Monday 13th of September at 7p.m.

Fr. John Victor Congratulations to Fr John Victor who has been appointed parish priest at Saint Stephen's Parish Manor Park. The diocesan moves will take place in early September..Fr John Victor's replacement will be **Fr Michael Barwick** who was ordained yesterday Saturday July 10 at 10:30a.m. Mass in the Cathedral at Brentwood.

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

Fr John will celebrate the Eucharist for Holy Family School Leavers at 10a.m. on Tuesday 20th Of July. May their futures be graced by Faith, Hope and Love.

There is a new Day of Rejoicing and Prayer introduced by the Church for all grand parents and the elderly on Sunday 25th of July. Thanks be to God.

Blessings to Vigil and Nimisha.....who will celebrate a betrothal ceremony on Saturday next in Our Lady and Saint George's church.

Thank you to Chris and George for weeding and tending flower bed number 2 on Saturday last (in the rain!).

Congratulations and Blessings to Timothee and Charlotte who who will receive the Sacrament of Marriage on Saturday next in Our Lady and Saint George.

Please note that admittance to the church means that the restrictions must be adhered to. On a number of occasions parishioners have turned up and explained that they do not need to wear a mask because of a medical condition. Assuming you have a medical condition then you will need to show a letter from your health clinic both for your safety and those at Mass. Thank you for your cooperation.

Peter James O'Rourke, Rest in Peace. We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Peter James O'Rourke. May his soul Rest in Peace. Peter James O' Rourke's Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday 14th July at 10:30 am at Our Lady and St. George Catholic Church. Condolences to family.

Hugh Peter, Rest in Peace. We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Hugh Peter. May his soul Rest in Peace. Hugh Peter's Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Thursday 15th July at 10:30 am at Our Lady and St. George Catholic Church. Condolence to Family.

Birthday Wishes to Klara

Mass times and intentions at Our Lady and St. George

06:00pm	Thanksgiving (Doherty)
Sun 11 July	Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
08:30am	Elizabeth Rosario (Rest in Peace) (Tessie Kalpee)
10:00am	Frank Keavey (Rest in Peace) (Catherine)
12:00noon	Eric Dawson (Rest in Peace) (Susan and Family)
Mon 12 July	FERIA
9:15am	Ellen, Kevin and Brendan's Intentions (Harte)
06:00 pm	Wesley de Souza (Rest in Peace) (Veronica Castles)
Tue 13 July	FERIA
09:15am	Enrico Valderama (Rest in Peace) (Liva)
06:00pm	All in our Parish Schools
Wed 14 July	FERIA
09:15am	Sr. Joan's Intentions (80 th Birthday) (Sr. Peggy)
10:30am	Requiem Mass -Peter James O'Rourke (Rest in Peace)
06:00 pm	<i>Selma Ada Nowling (Foundation)</i>
Thu 15 July	Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
09:15am	Thanksgiving (Betty)
10:30am	Requiem Mass - Hugh Peter (Rest in Peace)
06:00pm	The Unborn (Betty)
Fri 16 July	FERIA
09:15am	John Baptist (Rest in Peace) (Jane)
06:00pm	Parishioners
Sat 17 July	FERIA
10:00am	Dejanise Tahua (Rest in Peace) (Lucy Uzice)
06:00pm	Hugh Peter (Rest in Peace) (Sr. Anne Marie)
Sun 18 July	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
08:30 am	Peter James O'Rourke (Rest in Peace) (Edna)
10:00 am	Carla (Rest in Peace) (Doherty)
12:00noon	John D' Arcy (Rest in Peace)

Prayer List

Jenny Richmond, Betty Ramsey, Richard and Christine Martin, Michael Gaffney, Lucia Zeppetelli (Mario), Hilda Collett (Chris) Brid O Halloran, Josephine Walsh (Paul), Alma Willox, William Wyndham, Liberee, Maria Green

If you wish to add name(s) to the Prayer List please put in writing to the priest.

Adoration and Confessions: Every Saturday after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 11:30 am.

Repository Opening Times: Sundays: 9.15 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. and 11.00 a.m. to 12.15 a.m.