

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-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) (10/10/2021)

(Week of prayer for prisoners and their dependants)

Dear Parishioners,

Today's Gospel tells us of the rich young man who approached Christ, with an honest desire to gain eternal life. Christ encouraged his efforts and took him onto a higher level of accomplishment: the radical way. He told the man to dispose of his possessions and follow him. Christ says: 'Do not hoard riches; detach yourself from encumbrances and you will be free to soar to God.' Christ was coherent. He did not request for the proceeds for the maintenance of his disciples. For the young man, the invitation to complete detachment was too hard to accept.

Christ made it clear that hoarding was and continues to be an obstacle to entrance into the kingdom of God. The disciples, getting ready for the mission got the message and they replied: 'if so, who then can be saved'?

There are many people suffering from hunger and poverty; their efforts would not yield much fruit because of famine, war, social crises, lack of resources, lack of education and early formation, circumstantial obstacles, family limitations, intellectual shortcomings. And here we are, hoarding our talents, our riches, our knowledges, our humane attentions!

Hoarding means keeping for ourselves what we should make available to others also. Some are smart in accumulation and keeping everything for themselves. We are all stewards in this world, and no one carries these resources into the other world.

Christ is not against the acquisition and the use of material things, otherwise he would not advise the young man to give to the poor. He is not against the perfection of our talents. Hoarding creates a feeling of independence, making us negligent and indifferent. Christ wants us to be aware that hoarding whether individual or communal, is an obstacle to spiritual growth.

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 Ceremonies: Second and Third Sunday of each month at 1.15pm. The next Baptism preparation course will be on Monday 25th October 6:30pm in the Church.

This Sunday we welcome Leo Henry Field into the Community of Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism.

On Saturday 16th of October Sister Mary Olivia will make her final Religious Profession. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Alan at Brentwood Cathedral .Full details can be found on the church notice board in the porch. Please keep Sr Olivia in your prayers on this important stage of her faith journey. If you wish to travel by coach please sign the list on the church porch notice board.

The Pope's Monthly Intention for October

Evangelisation : We pray that every baptised person may be engaged in evangelisation, available to the mission, by being witness of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

This weekend is the final opportunity to collect an application forms for the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Reconciliation are available from the repository in the Church porch after all Masses this weekend and next weekend. Application must be returned the following weekend 17th October. No late application will be accepted. All families must attend Mass every Sunday.

THRESHOLDS OF HOPE QUESTIONS The next talks will be on the 3rd and 10th October and the question being explored is "What does it mean to talk about God?" Fr Mark Reilly, parish priest of Our Lady of Good Counsel, Wickford, will consider this question. If you would like to join this discussion, please forward a contact email to adultformationvicariate@dioceseofbrentwood.org For more information about *The Thresholds of Hope Questions* go to www.thresholdsofhope.co.uk

The YouTube Bible Timeline Course *Do you feel the Bible is too big and too difficult to understand? Do you get lost with all the characters and stories?* If so, this course aims to help you better understand the riches of the Bible in a simple and straightforward way. The course begins on Wednesday 29 Sept, 2021 at 7pm. *For more information and to register go to www.comeandsee.org*

Fr Martin Boland would also like to draw your attention to another online project developed by Mauro Iannicelli that provides an accessible guide to the Bible for adults. Mauro is a committed Catholic layman in our diocese and has provided input for the Newham Deanery in the past. He is also willing to send to our parish 200+ course invitation A6 flyers, completely free of charge. Just drop him an email request for the flyers at mauro@comeandsee.org, or to ask him any questions about the course. I recommend this initiative to you all.

Lorita Juanita Hibbert, Rest in Peace We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Lorita Juanita Hibbert, Rest in Peace. The requiem Mass for Lorita's soul will be here in Our Lady and St. George Church on Friday 15th October at 11:00am.

Dora Bruno-Gaston, Rest in Peace We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Dora Bruno-Gaston, Rest in Peace.

Maureen Howe, Rest in Peace We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Maureen Howe, Rest in Peace. The requiem Mass will be on 27th October.

Thomas Mc Goldrick, Rest in Peace. The family of the late Thomas Mc Goldrick wish to thank all who attend the Requiem Mass, sent Mass cards and sympathy cards. Mass will be offered for your intentions... Mary Murphy

Please return your pledge cards expressing your 3 ways to heal the planet

Birthday blessings to Rosie

Mass times and intentions at Our Lady and St. George

06:00pm	Mayo Family Intentions (Barry and Shiela)
Sun 10 Oct	Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
08:30am	Mary Theresa Kelly (Rest in Peace) (Betty)
10:00am	Angela and Gianni Tardioli (Rest in Peace) (Family)
12:00noon	Grace Kahkantan Sikod (Rest in Peace) (Cameroon Community)
Mon 11 Oct	Saint John XXIII
09:15 am	Deceased Family of Sparkes Family (Bruce)
06:00 pm	Pascal Hayden (Rest in Peace) (Betty)
Tue 12 Oct	Saints Ethelburga, Hildelithe and Cuthberga
09:15am	Mary Behan (Rest in Peace) (Harte)
06:00pm	Special Intentions (Le Family)
Wed 13 Oct	FERIA
09:15am	Deceased of D’Cruze Family (Bruce)
06:00 pm	Mary Hamilton (Rest in Peace) (Ann)
Thu 14 Oct	FERIA
09:15am	Deceased of the Family (Divya)
06:00pm	Annie Mathew (Rest in Peace) (Roy)
Fri 15 Oct	Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
09:15 am	John Reid (Rest in Peace) (Aiden)
11:00 am	Requiem Mass - Lorita Juanita Hibbert (Rest in Peace)
06:00pm	Mr. Joseph (Rest in Peace) (Roy)
Sat 16 Oct	FERIA
10:00am	Deceased of Pereira Family (Bruce)
06:00pm	Joe Murnane (Rest in Peace) (Family)
Sun 17 Oct	Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
08:30 am	The healing of the Planet
10:00 am	Zita Chamberlain (Rest in Peace) (Lysaght)
12:00noon	Peggy Halpenny (Rest in Peace) (Family)

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, Anne (Christina), Agnes Fadina, Grace, Bridie Curley, Sharon Baker, Bridgit Morris and Mavis Hacker, Michael Mc Namara, Marjorie Singh

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions: Every Saturday after 10.00 a.m. Mass until 11:15 am.

Repository Opening Times: Sundays: 9.15 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. and 11.00 a.m. to 12.15 a.m. Nelly and Rosie look after the Repository.