

CATHOLIC PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ST GEORGE

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Sunday 16 September TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
(Home Mission Sunday)

Dear Parishioners,

We hear Jesus tell the Apostles that he is going to suffer terribly and be put to death. Peter is having none of this: he wants to shield Jesus, his friend, from suffering. But it was Jesus' integrity, his habit of speaking the truth, that would lead to his suffering. And Jesus was not about to compromise on his integrity.

We know what it's like to want to protect someone, to shield them from suffering and sadness. That's what love does: it protects. But it can happen that love loses its way, become misguided, seeking to shield people from the consequences of their integrity. 'Don't stick your neck out. You'll only have to pay for it,' isn't always, or necessarily, the best advice. A person's integrity may be worth suffering for. It may be necessary to do and say things that will inevitably lead to suffering.

We all want to protect those we love, just like Peter in the gospel. We want to protect children, to shield them, when they're small, from their complete lack of experience of life: from flame, large dogs, moving cars. When they get older, we're concerned that they be protected from the wrong company, from drug-taking, from whatever dangers go along with their idea that they're all grown up, when in reality they're only just leaving childhood.

We don't want loved ones to suffer! That's the most natural concern in the world. Yet, we can't shield our loved ones from every challenge or difficulty, nor should we. Jesus opted for integrity over ease, even over life itself.

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Being a person of integrity will inevitably, at times, involve some suffering. There are sufferings which are part and parcel of being a Christian, or simply being a person of integrity. To be shielded from such suffering is to be tempted, like Jesus was by Peter, to take the easy way. There is good news even in this talk of the inevitability of suffering: the good news of the Cross of Jesus, which is what Christians encounter whenever we suffer for doing what is right.

Have a blessed week.

Fr. Niall (Fr. Niall)

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

Baptism Course The next parish Baptism Preparation course will be on Monday 17th of September at 7p.m. in the church

RCIA (BECOMING A CATHOLIC) The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is for people interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, and exploring the possibility of joining the Church. It is also for adults who may have been baptised but never received sacrament of Holy Communion or Confirmation. Meetings will now take place on Tuesday evenings 7.30-9.30pm in the church meeting room. If you would like more information about the RCIA process, please speak to one of the priests or contact Bernadette Wilson on 07804 611 914. email: bernadette.wilson1@ntlworld.com

A Day of Reflection and Enrichment for READERS – Saturday, 20th October in Woodford Green. A day of reflection and enrichment has been arranged to take place at The Becket Centre, St Thomas Of Canterbury Church 557-559 High Rd, Woodford, Woodford Green IG8 0RB on Saturday 20th October led by Dr Marian Tolley from Shrewsbury Diocese. Marian has travelled throughout Britain running courses for Readers for many years; has a highly respected reputation for running workshops in liturgical music; the training of deacons and for speaking on various topics relating to the liturgy. The day will start at 10 am with registration and refreshments and will end at 4 pm. Please bring a packed lunch, tea and coffee will be available during the day. Jenny Richmond is coordinating. If you wish to attend please sign up by Sunday 7 October, sign up sheet and details are by the readers notice board.

Annual Memorial Service Sunday 23rd September at All Saints Church Chingford Mount, opposite Cemetery Gates. Annual memorial service organised by SVP. All welcome.

Bishop Joseph, the Syro Malabar Bishop for the community here in England visited the parish on Wednesday last. As we all know Kerala is suffering greatly from the recent flooding. On behalf of the parish a cheque for £400 was presented to Bishop Joseph. The cheque will go to the National St Vincent de Paul Society here in England who will forward the money to the Kerala St Vincent de Paul Society in Kerala. There are 2,400 members in the St Vincent de Paul Society in Kerala and they do wonderful work., Thank God.

Are you aged 18-35? Do you have an enquiring mind? Do you want to think more deeply about who God is and what the death and resurrection of Christ means? If so then An Intelligent Person's Guide to Catholicism at Brentwood Cathedral is for you. Beginning on 19th September. More information at www.cathedral-brentwood.org

Help With English and Maths from 22nd September 2018 The Stewart Tutoring Service provides extra tuition for Key Stage 2 children preparing for 2019 English & Maths SATs or needing support in English. GCSE English also available. Contact Icilda Stewart on 07949528873 or see leaflet in the Church Entrance Hall.

STEWARDS OF THE GOSPEL The next SOTG Working Group meeting will be held at 7:30pm on Thursday 27 September. Those interested are welcome to attend.


The 9:15 a.m. Mass on Monday 17th of September will have pupils from Year 11 . It is their retreat day.

Vitalino 'Tali' Diez, Rest in Peace We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Vitalino "Tali" Diez ,Rest in Peace. Our condolences to the family. Funeral arrangements have not yet been finalised.

Mass Attendance last weekend 614 . The collection last week was £1,195.61p Average weekly standing order collection is £330. Thank you for your generosity.

ROTAS

Counting Rota	9/9F	16/9E	23/9E	30/9B	7/10E	14/10B
Hospital Rota	9/9D	16/9 A	23/9 B	30/9 D	7/10 A	14/10 B



Joke of the Week: : This bloke said to me "Tim , how often do you exaggerate? I replied "I told you a million times I never exaggerate"!!

Mass times and intentions at Our Lady and St. George

06:00pm	John and Josie Keenan (Rest in Peace) (Mary Keane)
Sun 16 September	TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
08:30am	Louella Rodrigues (Thanksgiving)
10:00am	Ginny and Tim Hoban (Intentions)
12:00noon	Augustine B.O. Fadina (Rest in Peace) (Agnes Fadina)
Mon 17 September	FERIA
09:15am	Tony Keane (Rest in Peace)
04:00pm	Whipps Cross Hospital-Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion
Tue 18 September	FERIA
09:15 am	Rego D'Souza (Rest in Peace)
Wed 19 September	FERIA
09:00am 09:15am	Benito Fiordarancio (Rest in Peace) (Elizabeth) at Holy Family School Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion
Thu 20 September	Saint Andrew Kim Tae-gon,Priest and Paul Chong Ha-sang
09:15	Ellen Mary Frances Caplehorn (Foundation Mass)
Fri 21 September	SAINT MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST
09:15am	Romeo Rodrigues (Rest in Peace) (Louella)
Sat 22 September	FERIA
10:00am	Nora Stack (Rest in Peace)
06:00pm	Joe Staggs (Rest in Peace) (Len and Babs Finney)
Sun 23 September	TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
08:30am	Nantwi Family (Intentions) (Christina Nantwi)
10:00am	Joanne Rodell's Intentions
12:00noon	Augustine B.O. Fadina (Rest in Peace) (Agnes Fadina)

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, Masangela Tardioli, 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, Anne Hutton, Comfort Kwawu, Judith Hilton, Gloria and Tracy Joseph, Regina Jose, Kojo Gyebi-Ababio, Thampirajah Baskaran, Linda Campbell, Brid O'Halloran, Betty Ramsey, Hazel Belizaire, Tina Henriques, Christopher O'Neill, Alan and Ross Smith, Stefan, Monica Baugh, Eileen O Kane, Louis Marie

Morning Prayer: Mon-Fri: 9.00am. Sat. 9.40am. Rosary: Weekdays after morning Mass Reconciliation (Confessions): Sat. 10.30am – 11.30am. 5.00pm – 5.45pm. During these times the priest is in the Reconciliation Room, inside the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, to the left. Confessions are also available at other times on request. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Monday-Friday 7.30-8.30am; Mondays: 10am-7pm; Wednesdays 10am-4pm; Fridays 9.45-10.45am; 10.30-11.30am. Bible Study Mondays at 8pm-Church Meeting Room

Prize Winner: Gertrude's raffle winners are Fr. Joseph and Andrew Koduah. A total of £112/- was raised for Parish funds. Thank you.