

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Mon 27 May: Mass at 10am (not 7.30am) in the Convent and 12.30pm in OLSG.

Sun 2 Jun: Enfield Foodbank Collection.

Thur 30 May: The Ascension of the Lord. Mass at 12.30pm and at 7pm in OLSG.

Fri 7 Jun: First Friday. Day of Eucharistic Adoration 9.30 to 6.30pm.

LITURGY, CONFESSION & MASS TIMES

Sun 12 May + FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Ps Wk 4

Acts 13:14, 43-52; Apocalypse 7:9, 14-17; John 10:27-30 (p.268)
Mass - **OLSG:** 8am, 9am, 10.30am, 12 noon, 6pm, **OLW:** 10am

Mon 13 May Our Lady of Fatima

HFC: 7.30am Mass

OLSG: (10-12noon church cleaning,) 12.30pm Mass.

Tue 14 May ST MATHIAS, Apostle

HFC: 7.30am Mass, 7-8pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

OLSG: 9.00am Mass

Wed 15 May Easter Feria

OLSG: 12.30pm Mass

HFC: 8-9pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thu 16 May Easter Feria

OLSG: 12.30pm Mass

HFC: 4.45-5.45pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Fri 17 May Easter Feria

OLSG: 12.30pm Funeral Mass of Albert Foote RIP

Sat 18 May Easter Feria

OLSG: 9.30am Mass; **No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and No Benediction;** 10-11am Confessions; 12noon and 3pm First Holy Communion Masses; **5pm No Evening Prayer & No Adoration;** 5.15-5.45pm Confessions; 6pm Mass

Sun 19 May + FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Ps Wk 1

Acts 14:21-27; Apocalypse 21:1-5; John 13:31-35 (p.271)

Mass - **OLSG:** 8am, 9am, 10.30am, 12 noon, 6pm, **OLW:** 10am

In OLSG: On weekdays the Litany, Angelus and Rosary are said at 12 noon, **before** 12.30pm Mass.

OLSG: Our Lady of Mount Carmel & Saint George,
45 London Road

OLW: Our Lady of Walsingham, Holtwhites Hill
HFC: Holy Family Convent, 52 London Road

OLSG is open daily for private prayer: Monday-Friday 7am-8.30pm; Saturday-Sunday 7am-7pm

Our Lady of Mount Carmel & Saint George

with Our Lady of Walsingham & the English Martyrs

A Parish of the Catholic Diocese of Westminster

No. 1470

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

12 May 2019

Steered in the right direction

For this, our Good Shepherd Sunday, in the Fourth Sunday of Eastertide we should continue to give glorious thanks for the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ. We also call this Vocations Sunday, when we pray for vocations to ministry around the world for the Church.

To state the obvious, a Good Shepherd guards his flock from danger, steers them to grazing pastures if they wander astray and ensures they are content with their lot.

Regarding the persecution of Christians around the world, the concept of a protecting Shepherd is of extreme importance to us, in the escaping of death or the inhumane misery of refugee camps, the holding of faith is salutary and salvific, for victims, and all people who can observe and pray from a distance.

We should question: Do we need to fear for ourselves

and our faith in Christ because of this persecution? **No.** We have the overriding and everlasting love of Christ, the Supreme Shepherd and we have the peaceful consolation of living in a civilized society, where our faith will be secure (if only we practice in private!). In our Gospel, St. John's message of the justification of Christ as God continues in our midst, now and always, and it is a most strident message of love and security, for everyone, religious or not.

Please pray for Vocations, not just this Sunday but for always. The Good News of Jesus Christ needs to be spread even more, despite persecution and the rise of secular indifference.

To end on a personal note, I have asked for a sabbatical, so will not be ordained to the priesthood this year.

Your continued prayers will be greatly appreciated.

Deacon Ronnie

The month of May is traditionally associated with honouring Our Lady. To mark the occasion in our parish we will pray *The Memorare* at the end of every Mass in May.

(Mass Book p. 348)

Also from Monday to Friday at 12 noon we pray the Regina Caeli (Angelus), the Rosary and the Litany of Loretto. All are welcome to join us.

The Memorare

Remember, O most loving Virgin Mary,

*that it is a thing unheard of,
that anyone ever had recourse to your protection,
implored your help, or sought your intercession,
and was left forsaken.*

Filled therefore with confidence in your goodness

I fly to you, O Mother, Virgin of virgins.

To you I come, before you I stand, a sorrowful sinner.

Despise not my poor words,

O Mother of the Word of God, but graciously

hear and grant my prayer. Amen.

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Reception Times: Monday-Friday 9am-8.30pm; Saturday 9am-1pm; Sunday 10.15am-1pm

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PARISH NOTICES

Please pray for those who have died: Albert Foote, Sherly Clark, Henk Windau, Margaret McDonnell, Jazimerz Kasperowick, Helena Hudson, Jean Vanier, Rose Lattimore, Heather Kirkness, Nicholas Goss **and for those whose anniversaries occur about now:** Kitty Galano and Bridget Burke. **Please pray for sick and housebound parishioners:** Biddy Woodland, Sheila Lewin, Liz McKenzie, Daisy Theodore, Logan Valera-Ramos, Peter Zeizinger, Peter Clasquin, John Ernest, Sylvia Woollard, Betty Jolley, Susi Beer, Stephen and Joan Hoye.

Thank you to everyone who supported last weekend's Enfield Foodbank Collection. We are grateful for your continued generosity.

Rosary by the Fountain. As every 13th day of the month, on Monday 13th May at 7pm, all are invited to join one of the clergy at the fountain (near HSBC Bank and Nandos) to pray the rosary publically for our families, our parish and the whole world.

Change to Mass Time. Tuesday 14th May, Mass will be at 9am in OLSG (not 12.30pm) due to deanery meeting.

Priest Training Fund. Today we pray for priests and for vocations to the priesthood. The annual collection for the Priest Training Fund will take place next weekend. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently 45 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 27 of whom are for our Diocese, and last year 8 men ordained to the priesthood. This fund also supports the ongoing formation of our ordained priests. Your donation helps ensure we can support these men who are called to be like Christ the Good Shepherd. Donation leaflets are available in the back of the church. Please take one home and bring it back next weekend with your donation. You can donate online anytime at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations

Welcome Occasion for New Parishioners next Sunday 19th May after the 12 noon Mass until 3pm in the Parish Centre. Invitations have been sent to all parishioners

who have registered in the parish in the last year, but if you have not received one as yet and are new to the parish you are very welcome to attend. Tea/coffee & cakes will be served and the bar will be open. The clergy and various parish groups are looking forward to welcoming you. Please contact us to let us know that you can come: enfield@rcdow.org.uk or 020 8363 2569. If you are a new parishioner, please register. Forms are available from the presbytery (building next to the church).

Marriage Preparation Course, for engaged couples preparing to marry in the Catholic Church. The next course will be on Friday 14th 7pm-9pm and Saturday 15th June 10am-7pm. For further details and to book, please email the parish secretary for a registration form: enfield@rcdow.org.uk

Bereavement Visiting Group meets again on Monday, May 13th at 7pm in the presbytery.

St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) Meeting in the presbytery at 7pm on Monday 13th May.

Tuesday Bereavement Group will meet on 14th and 28th May in the Presbytery 1-2.30pm. All are welcome.

Mount Carmel Ladies Group next meet on Thursday 16th May for a talk about Whitechapel Missions. We start to gather in the Parish Centre after 12:30pm Mass. All Welcome.

A Filipino Mass will be held in OLSG at 3pm on Sunday 26th May, organized by Our Lady of Mount Carmel Filipino Community in Enfield to mark "Santa Cruz de Mayo", one of

the May devotions to the Blessed Virgin Mary celebrated in the Philippines. All welcome.

Repository. In stock among other items are cards and gifts for First Communion and Confirmation. The shop is usually open before and after all Masses.

CATECHETICS

Singers and musicians, Confirmation Masses: If you can support the choir on 8th June, 11.30am and/or 2.30pm and 9th June, 3pm, please email Sybil or leave a message at the presbytery. There will be one rehearsal before the Masses. **Altar Servers** for the above, please sign the list in the sacristy.

OTHER NEWS

The Nightingale Pyjama Walk, Friday 17th May. Walk starts and finishes at Enfield Civic Centre, Silver Street. 6.30pm warm up, 7.30pm walk starts. Walk 10km or 15km – you decide. £15 Entry fee. Sponsorship is optional but encouraged. <https://www.nightingalesupport.org.uk/product/night-hike-2019/>

Volunteer Year at SPEC, the Diocesan Youth Retreat Centre. The volunteer missionary would live on site in Pinner in the residential community, receive formation and accompaniment in their faith and serve as a retreat facilitator, working with the employed retreat leaders. In particular, any sixth formers who may like to find out more are welcome to attend a day retreat to see what goes on and meet the community. For more details please see www.dowym.com/spec/volunteer/ or contact spec@rcdow.org.uk

Vocations Weekend for young women on Discernment and Vocation. 24-26 May 2019 in Liverpool organised by the sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ). If you are wondering if God is calling you to religious life and would like to find out more why not come along? You are welcome to stay for

the weekend or just come along on Saturday for the day. There will be opportunity for prayer, reflection and input, chance to ask questions and to meet others. For more details contact Sr Lynne FCJ at lynnefcj@hotmail.com or see www.fcjsisters.org

Volunteering Opportunity in Lourdes. The Lourdes pilgrimage team are looking to recruit volunteers to lend medical and practical support for the pilgrimage from 20th-26th July 2019. If interested, please contact the Diocesan Pilgrimage Office at Vaughan House on 020 7798 9173 or email westminsterfri@gmail.com or lourdes@rcdow.org.uk. Volunteering booking forms available online at <https://form.jotformeu.com/82291257422354>.

Who cares? Responding to the cry of the Earth, Wed. 29th May. Caritas Westminster invites you to an evening of practical suggestions for how your parish can respond to the environmental crisis. There will be contributions from CAFOD, CaFE, the Felix Project & more. 6:30-8:30pm, refreshments from 6pm, at Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, SW1P 1QN. To get your free ticket, email caritaswestminster@rcdow.org.uk, call 020 7931 6077, or search the event title on Eventbrite.

Retrouvaille - Rediscover Your Marriage The programme offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. 10s of 1000s headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the programme commencing with a residential weekend on 7-9 June. Call or text 0788 7296983 or 0797 3380443 or Email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk