

LITURGY, CONFESSION & MASS TIMES

Sun 15 Mar	+ 3rd SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Exodus 17:3-7; Romans 5:1-2, 5-8; John 4:5-42</i> Mass - OLSG: 8am, 9am, 10.30am, 12noon, 6pm. Confessions - OLSG: 12-1pm. OLW: 10am.	<i>Ps Wk 3</i>
Mon 16 Mar	Lent feria HFC: 7.30am Mass OLSG: (10-11.30am church cleaning), 12noon Mass	
Tue 17 Mar	SAINT PATRICK, Bishop, Patron of Ireland HFC: 7.30am Mass, 7-8pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament OLSG: 12noon Mass	
Wed 18 Mar	Lent feria OLSG: 12noon Mass OLW: 10am Stations of the Cross HFC: 8-9pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Thu 19 Mar	SAINT JOSEPH, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Patron of the Diocese OLSG: 12noon Mass HFC: 4.45-5.45pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
Fri 20 Mar	Lent feria OLSG: 12noon Mass followed by Stations of the Cross; 7pm Stations of the Cross	
Sat 21 Mar	Lent feria OLSG: 9.30am Mass (followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament); 10-11am Confessions; 10.45am Benediction, 5pm Evening Prayer followed by Adoration until 5.45pm; 5.15-5.45pm Confessions; 6pm Mass	
Sun 22 Mar	+ 4th SUNDAY OF LENT (Laetare Sunday) <i>1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41</i> Mass - OLSG: 8am, 9am, 10.30am, 12noon, 6pm. Confessions - OLSG: 12-1pm. OLW: 10am.	<i>Ps Wk 4</i>

In **OLSG:** On weekdays the Rosary and the Litany will be said at 11.30am before the 12noon Mass, which will start with the Angelus

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 Archdiocese of Westminster

Third Sunday in Lent

15 March 2020

Steps we are taking to help prevent the spread of Coronavirus

In these swiftly changing circumstances regarding the Coronavirus, we have received an update from the Bishop's Conference on the further steps churches need to take to disrupt the possible spread of the virus.

We continue being strongly encouraged to **use universal good hygiene**, especially a regular and thorough washing of hands, especially after being out, on public transport or greeting other people, and of protecting others from our sneezes and coughs.

Please note that **if you are sick** or experiencing symptoms of sickness, **you are not obliged to attend Mass**, and out of charity, ought not to attend.

The Holy Water stoops have been emptied of water, so when entering or leaving the church please **bless yourselves as usual but without the Holy Water**.

Everyone, for the time being, is to **receive Holy Communion on the hand only** (no chalice available).
The offering of the **sign of peace** to each other is **omitted at Mass**.
Please **leave the church doors open** so to minimize touching handles etc.
The **hymn books and Mass Books are removed**, therefore please participate as much as you can but from memory.

There is **no Offertory Procession** during Mass for the time being.

Teas & Coffees after Mass are suspended till further notice.

Groups that involve individuals with health conditions or weakened immune systems are suspended for the time-being.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation, and for all that you do to contain the virus and delay its spread.

Fr Witon

For further information from the Diocese go to:

<https://rcdow.org.uk/news/advice-regarding-coronavirus/>

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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: Archbishop Peter Smith, Margaret Allsopp, Jacqueline Felix, Vivienne O'Brien **and for those whose anniversaries occur about now:** John Ennis and Teresa Montella.

Please pray for sick and housebound parishioners: , Logan Valera-Ramos, Peter Clasquin, Maureen Heffer, Zeynep Asitskende, Daisy Theodore, Stephen and Joan Hoye.

Thank you to everyone who supported last weekend's CAFOD Family Fast Day Collection. CAFOD works with poor communities overseas on our behalf, helping them to tackle poverty and injustice. For further information see www.cafod.org.uk

Confessions in Lent. As well as the regular Confession times on Saturdays 10-11am and 5.15-5.45pm, Confessions will also be heard during 12noon Mass on Sundays in Lent.

Stations of the Cross in Lent will take place in OLSG on Fridays after 12noon Mass and 7pm. In OLW Stations will be said on Wednesdays at 10am (instead of the usual Prayer Group).

'The Year of the Word' Scripture Reflections for Lent on Thursdays led by Fr Chinedu has been postponed until further notice due to the guidelines given by the Bishops Conference regarding the Coronavirus as detailed on the front of the newsletter.

New Planned Giving Envelopes. The new envelope year starts on Sunday 12th April and the boxes of envelopes will be ready to collect **next weekend** from the back of the church. Due to Data Protection Regulations, there are volunteer parishioners handing out the boxes to you personally to ensure your data is protected. We thank the parishioner volunteers for their time and help and we appreciate your patience and cooperation.

Mary's Meals wants your unwanted clothing & bedding and will be here next Sunday 22nd March until 12noon Mass. Please remember to bring your unwanted clothing/bedding (no duvets or pillows) in tied

black sacks and bring them to the Parish Centre when you come to Mass next week. The cut off time is 12 noon. **Please do not bring items on Sunday evening (6pm Mass)** as there will be no one to collect them. Mary's Meals is a no-frills charity committed to spending 93p in every £1 received on its charitable activities with only 6p spent on Fundraising and 1p on Governance.

RCIA: First Scrutiny of the Elect. The members of the parish RCIA group were recently elected by Cardinal Vincent to go on to receive Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil Mass on 11th April. Our parish community will celebrate the first scrutiny this Sunday with those who will be baptised. The scrutiny is designed to encourage self-searching and recognition of a need for repentance and conversion not only of the elect but of the whole community. The scrutiny focuses on the transformation of the life of the tenacious Samaritan woman at the well on her encounter with Jesus who is the living water which saves the world. Please pray for them as we journey towards Easter.

Easter Lily. A lily has long been associated with the resurrection of Christ and our hope in eternal life; our parish proudly continues this ancient tradition. You are invited to buy a lily in memory of a departed loved one, by placing £5 donation and the name of the person in an envelope, and leaving it in the Presbytery. The lilies will be used to decorate the Sanctuary during Easter and a Mass will be offered for their names during Eastertide on Friday 1st May at 12noon.

Cardinal's Lenten Appeal 2020. Sadly, more people are turning to foodbanks for help and one new initiative is the opening of school holiday clubs where children can come to prepare and eat a healthy meal. Donations placed in the wall boxes at the back of the church during Lent will go towards this initiative of the Cardinal's Lenten Appeal.

Parishioners who are sick or experiencing symptoms of sickness, are not obliged to attend Mass, and out of charity, ought not to attend. If you have internet access, to watch Mass on TV, go to:

<https://www.churchservices.tv/palmersgreen>
<https://www.churchservices.tv/newsouthgate>
<https://www.churchservices.tv/pottersbar>

Notice for the Following Groups: Christian Meditation for Lent; The "Power of the Rosary" Prayer Group; Mount Carmel Ladies Group; Tuesday Bereavement/Social Group; Sunday Morning Coffee Group; TWIN Group, St George's Association Bingo Group and Saturday Club in OLW. The meetings/gatherings for these groups have been suspended until further notice due to the guidelines given by the Bishops Conference regarding the Coronavirus as detailed on the front of the newsletter: "*Groups that involve individuals with health conditions or weakened immune systems are suspended for the time-being.*" For other groups, please check with your group leader if you are not sure whether your meeting/gathering is suspended. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Cardinal's Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony. Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 30th May at 3pm. The Cardinal will be inviting all couples in the Diocese who are celebrating their 5th 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2020. If you are

celebrating an anniversary and would like to attend, please email enfield@rcdow.org.uk or Tel. 020 8363 2569 with the following details: husband's & wife's names, wedding date, full postal address & email (or Tel. if no email). Closing date: 18th March 2020.

OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

Work Day at OLW Church on Saturday 4th April 9am—12noon. All parishioners are welcome and encouraged to attend. There are several small jobs that need to be done. All hands will be welcome and no particular skill is required. Please give up 30 minutes of your time or longer. The more parishioners help the better our church will be in fulfilling the needs of its parishioners. Thank you.

CATECHETICS

In view of the recent change to the parish team, any enquiries regarding Sacramental Programmes should be emailed to: enfieldcat@rcdow.org.uk

OTHER NEWS

Waitrose Green Token Community Matters Scheme. St Ignatius College has been selected for Waitrose's community matters scheme (green tokens) for March. If you visit Waitrose at any of their local stores, please request your green token and place this in the box for St. Ignatius College. This will provide sporting and recreational equipment for the pupils in our local Catholic secondary school. Please let your friends and family know to also support this initiative. Thank you.

St. George's Quiz Night in aid of Special Educational Needs and Disabilities on Saturday 28th March, 7pm for 7:30pm start at St George's School Hall, Gordon Road. Parking available in the playground. Tables of 10. £10pp. Bring your own drinks and cups. A ploughman's supper provided. Raffle. Heads & Tails. Hot drinks & cakes on sale. For tickets please contact Sarah: skeano@yahoo.co.uk Raffle prize donations welcome.