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LITURGY, CONFESSION & MASS TIMES

Sun 9th May + SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 10:25-26; 34-35, 44-48; 1 John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17

OLSG: Mass 8am, 10am, 12noon (LS)

OLW: Mass 10am

Mon 10th May Easter feria

HFC: Mass 8am

OLSG: Mass 12noon (LS)

Tues 11th May Easter feria

HFC: Mass 8am

OLSG: Mass 9.30am

Wed 12th May Easter feria

OLSG: Mass 12noon (LS)

Thur 13th May + THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

OLSG: Mass 12noon (LS), 7pm

Fri 14th May ST MATTHIAS, Apostle

(Friday abstinence)

OLSG: Funeral Mass 9.30am (FM), Mass 12noon (LS)

Sat 15th May Easter feria

OLSG: Mass 9.30am; **No Confessions** 10-11am;

11am & 2pm First Holy Communions;

Confessions 5pm-5.45pm; Adoration 5pm-5.45pm; Mass 6pm

Sun 16th May + SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; John 4:11-16; John 17:11-19

OLSG: Mass 8am, 10am, 12noon (LS), 2.30pm Confirmation Mass

OLW: Mass 10am

KEY OLSG: Our Lady of Mount Carmel & Saint George - Mass with the congregation

OLW: Our Lady of Walsingham, Holtwhites Hill - Mass with the congregation

HFC: Holy Family Convent - Private Mass with the Sisters only

LS: Mass is Livestreamed

FM: Funeral with only 30 people in attendance, arranged directly with the family

Ps week 2

Ps week 3

Our Lady of Mount Carmel & Saint George

with Our Lady of Walsingham & the English Martyrs

A Parish of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Westminster

THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9th May 2021

The Ascension of Christ is our exaltation

On Thursday of this week we will mark forty days of Easter rejoicing. The significance of forty in the Scriptures is well known. Forty days of rain heralded the flood from which Noah and his entourage escaped in the ark. Forty long years meandering around in the wilderness for the people of Israel culminated in their arrival in the Promised Land. And during that Exodus, Moses spent a period of forty days with the Lord on Mount Sinai, before descending with the Ten Commandments. There are other examples, but these will suffice. The forty days following Easter Day conclude with the glorious celebration of the Ascension of the Lord. Here is the completion of Christ's earthly mission. With his redemptive work done, he returns to his Father's side in heaven. The angels rejoice at this victorious homecoming, and all things sing the praises of the Lord who 'is the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation' (Ephesians 1:23).

Is this all that can be said about the Ascension of the Lord, then? If it were, then it would be right for us to rejoice, but we might feel a slight sense of abandonment. The opposite is the

case. The theology of the Ascension teaches us that the Lord Jesus in taking his place in heaven is calling us to follow him thence; he is revealing our destiny. Our prayers on Ascension Day are that we, and all whom we love, may come one day to that happy and eternal place of pure joy and perfect peace.

Until then, we pray and hope, but not as those who keep their fingers crossed, so to speak. We are to do this as those who 'can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is that power that he has exercised for believers' (Ephesians 1:18)

We can achieve this great work of faith because the promised gift—the Holy Spirit—is with us, to inspire and direct our hearts towards all that is good, true and holy. As we long for heaven, we also seek the establishment of the Kingdom of God in this world, in all its justice and mercy.

Do come to Mass on Ascension Day, to rejoice, to pray and to praise God in his holiness.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The sick and housebound: Francie O'Donnell, Peter Clasquin, Leda Bechet, Biddy Woodland, Chloe Skelton, Nitsa Kozinos, Ailsa Mosquera, Marlene Hosten, Dennis Cox, Piet de Jong, Joseph Grachvogel, Liz Nunny, James Rowley, Betty Tindle, Emma Haynes, Francis Braganza, Michael Horgan, Maria Horgan, Anne Marie Flynn, Linda Leepow, Charlie Watson, John McDonagh, Ellen McDonagh, Annie Stone, Maxene McClintock and Mary Goulding.

Those who have died: Matthew Theophanous, Oliver O'Brien, Amalia Amalfitano, David Finlay, Mary Ellen Murphy, Thomas Carroll, Peter Eagles and Patrick Noel Cassidy.

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Susan Diana, Elena Sidoli, Annie Canavan, Diana Hebblethwait, Margaret Rodgers, Ann Pendleton, Henry Manners, Cassiano (Cassy) Coelho and Angela Magnus.

Church Opening Times. The Church usually opens 30 minutes before each Mass for quiet prayer and usually closes after each Mass for sanitising and cleaning.

- MASS TIMES -

OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL & ST GEORGE

Mon – Fri: 12noon (see item below: **Changes...**)

Saturday: 9.30am, 6pm

Sunday: 8am, 10am and 12noon

OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

Sunday 10am

All visitors to the church need to wear face coverings, use the hand sanitisers provided and follow the guidance of the volunteer stewards. The toilet facilities are not available. Do not come to the church if you or anyone in your household is ill. The obligation to attend Mass during the pandemic is removed.

Mass **Livestreamed (LS)** can be watched at:

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Changes to the Church Opening & Mass Times.

Tuesday 11th May: The church will open at 9am (not 11.30am) and Mass will be at 9.30am (not 12noon) and close after, due to the clergy attending the deanery meeting.

Thursday 13th May: The Ascension of the Lord. Mass at 12 noon and 7pm.

The month of May is traditionally associated with honouring Our Lady. To mark the occasion

in our parish, we will pray the Rosary from Mon-Fri at 11.30am in May. Please note on Tues 11th May, the rosary will be said at 9am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation. Due to the First Holy Communion Celebrations, there will no Confessions on Saturday 15th & 22nd May in the morning. Confessions will be heard as usual on Saturdays from 5pm-5.45pm.

North Enfield Foodbank Collection from now until Monday 17th May. Please bring your donations to the church. Donations can also be left at Our Lady of Walsingham on Sunday 9th & 16th May before 10am Mass only. All the donations will then be taken to the North Enfield Foodbank. Thank you in advance for your support and generosity.

Preparing for Pentecost. There are resources available to enable us to prepare more fully to celebrate the Feast of Pentecost as follows: **Kingdom Come** - Lighting up the world in prayer - 13th-23rd May - www.cbcew.org.uk/home/events/thy-kingdom-come/

Pentecost Novena: www.cbcew.org.uk/home/events/thy-kingdom-come/pentecost-novena/

Journey with Mary: This special playlist has been created for us to journey with Mary from the Ascension to Pentecost www.cbcew.org.uk/home/events/thy-kingdom-come/journey-with-mary/

Easter Lily. Thank you to everyone who bought Easter Lilies in memory of departed loved ones which are being used to decorate the Sanctuary during Eastertide. Mass will be offered for the dearly departed on **Thursday 20th May at 12noon at OLSG.** The Easter Lily Memorial Book will remain in front of the altar during Eastertide.

Saint Vincent de Paul (SVP) would like to say thank you for the recent donations and continued support of the foreign and old coins collection jar at reception.

Third World In Need (TWIN) - Update. Following a virtual Committee Meeting, we sent £250 to 5 partners in Kenya (3 education centres), the Little Sisters in Tanzania, the Franciscan Immaculate Sisters in the Philippines and £200 to Ave Maria Monastery in Kerala, S India. We are also arranging further sums to a diocesan education service and a leper charity in India. The continuing support of parishioners is greatly appreciated.

- OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM -

The OLV Prayer Group is once again running on Wednesdays at 10am. Newcomers welcome. Just come along and remember your face mask.

- FINANCE -

Planned Giving Boxes. We still have many uncollected boxes. If you used to have a planned giving box and have switched to standing order, please do let us know, if you haven't already done so. Email: enfieldgac@rcdow.org.uk Tel. 020 8363 2569. This will help us reduce the uncollected boxes.

Giving by Standing Order. Would you consider gifting your offering by Standing Order? If so, the payment details are: **HSBC Bank plc**, Sort Code: **40-05-20**, a/c no: **21309110** a/c name: **WRCDT Enfield**; your surname as reference. Please email the parish Gift Aid Coordinator to let her know: enfieldgac@rcdow.org.uk

Gift Aiding your donation and/or To Donate to the Parish. Details are on our Diocese website: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/enfield/donate/> Thank you for your ongoing support.

- OTHER NEWS -

CAFOD. As coronavirus brings devastation across India, CAFOD is working with experienced local Church agency, Caritas India, to provide vital support to poor and marginalised communities. Donations to CAFOD's Coronavirus Appeal will help Caritas India distribute PPE kits to frontline health workers, promote COVID & vaccine awareness campaigns, and set up safely run isolation & quarantine centres. You can donate online here: cafod.org.uk/give. Please keep praying for the people of India and all those affected by the pandemic.

A Covid-19 vaccine confidence webinar organised for the of Dioceses of Brentwood, Southwark & Westminster, with the cooperation of various local authorities on Sat 15th May, 10am-11.30am. It will feature a panel of eminent medical experts led by Prof Kevin Fenton, Regional Director of Public Health London. They will share the latest info. on COVID-19 vaccination. To join the webinar: <https://zoom.us/j/99627319556> Passcode: 546617

Part-time Vacancy (7 hours approx.) at Holy Family Convent, 52 London Road, EN2 6EN for person to undertake responsibilities for Sage Instant Payroll, Nest Pension & HMRC requirements. If interested & qualified, please contact Sister Maureen Stmepko: 07760 281208 or maureenperth67@gmail.com

St Ignatius College are currently recruiting for: Learning Support Assistants (perm and contract roles); Part-time SEND Administrator; Design & Technology Teacher. Full details of all roles can be found here: <http://www.st-ignatius.enfield.sch.uk/291/careers-at-st-ignatius-college> Any questions, please email: recruitment@st-ignatius.enfield.sch.uk