

LITURGY, CONFESSION & MASS TIMES

Sun 10th Sept + 23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME *Ps Wk 3*
Ezekiel 33:7-9; Romans 13:8-10; Matthew 18:15-20 (page 125)
OLSG: Mass 8am, 9am, 10.30am, 12 noon (LS) and 6pm. **OLW:** Mass 10am

Mon 11th Sept feria
HFC: Mass 8am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7-8pm
OLSG: Church cleaning 10am, Funeral Mass of Martin Joseph O'Halloran RIP 12 noon (LS)

Tues 12th Sept The Most Holy Name of Mary
HFC: Mass 8am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7-8pm
OLSG: Mass 12 noon (LS)

Wed 13th Sept St John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor
HFC: Mass 8am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7-8pm
OLSG: Funeral Mass of Mary John RIP 12 noon (LS)

Thur 14th Sept THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS
OLW: Mass 10am
OLSG: Mass 12 noon (LS)
HFC: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 4-5pm

Fri 15th Sept Our Lady of Sorrows *Friday abstinence*
OLSG: Mass 10am, 12 noon (LS)

Sat 16th Sept Ss Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs
OLSG: Mass 9.30am (followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament); Confession 10am-10.45am; Benediction 10.45am; Adoration & Confessions 5pm-5.45pm, Mass 6pm

Sun 17th Sept + 24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME *Ps Wk 4*
Ecclesiasticus 27:30-28:7; Romans 14:7-9; Matthew 18:21-35 (page 128)
OLSG: Mass 8am, 9am, 10.30am, 12 noon (LS) and 6pm. **OLW:** Mass 10am

KEY: **OLSG:** Our Lady of Mount Carmel & Saint George
OLW: Our Lady of Walsingham, Holtwhites Hill, EN2 8HG
HFC: Holy Family Convent, 52 London Road, EN2 6EN
LS: Mass also live-streamed: www.catholicenfield.org/live-stream/

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

Mass in Polish at **OLW:** For information visit www.parafiaenfield.org

OLSG is open: Monday-Friday 7.30am-6pm; Saturday 8.30am-7pm; Sunday 7.30am-7pm unless otherwise stated in this newsletter

Our Lady of Mount Carmel & Saint George

with Our Lady of Walsingham & the English Martyrs

A parish of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Westminster

Year A

+ 23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10th September 2023

True Freedom

"Be careful what you ask God for...you just might get it" is the statement that comes to mind as I ponder the content of this Sunday's Collect (Opening prayer for Mass):

O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption, look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters, that those who believe in Christ may receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

As the Church and as individual Catholics, we are asking God for "true freedom" and "an everlasting inheritance". I would like to reflect on the first petition – "true freedom". What is freedom properly understood and why are we beseeching the Lord for a qualified (true) form of it?

In ordinary usage, freedom has come to mean "the quality or state of being free: such as the absence of necessity, coercion, or constraint in choice or action" among other things.

Here, the term implies the liberty to do what one wills and, as Cardinal Ratzinger puts it, "the absolutely highest good, to which all other goods are subordinate". In this scenario, any values which may seem to compete with freedom, or which might occasion its restriction, are perceived as fetters, antiquarian "taboos," or unnecessary prohibitions to fundamental human rights.

In the authentic Catholic vision, however, the common understanding of freedom requires clarification. Otherwise, the concept remains one-sided, isolated and falsified because it is restricted to individual liberty and is devoid of its human truth. Freedom is one of a community of goods which together form an inalienable whole to ensure a healthy human dynamic. True freedom is therefore, the space to enable the choice of the good. In this way there is the indissoluble pairing of freedom and the truth. This is what we are praying for, but do we mean it?

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The sick & housebound: Mary Goulding, Tasha Sirju, Tabitha David, Kumud Lakhani, Jane Wrangles, Archie Thompson and Barbara Archer.

Those who have died: Fr Pat Egan, Martin O'Halloran, Mary John, John Walsh, Olive Galloway, Michael Donnelly, Francis McQueirns, James Armstrong and Maria Braganza.

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: David Vincent Canham and David Dobson.

THE LAMPS IN OUR CHURCHES

This week the lamp:

by the Tabernacle (left side) burns in Thanksgiving

by the Tabernacle (right side) burns for Family Intentions

by Our Lady's Chapel burns for Mark Alder - Birthday

by the Sacred Heart Chapel burns for Marie Coutinho - Healing



Thank You - North Enfield Foodbank. Huge thanks to everyone who brought donations for last weekend's collection for the Enfield Foodbank. We are grateful for your ongoing support and generosity.

Rosary by the Fountain. As every 13th day of the month, on **Wednesday 13th September**, 7pm all are invited to meet at the fountain (near HSBC Bank & Nandos) to pray the rosary publically for our families, parish & the world.

Adoration in the Holy Family Convent (HFC: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 7pm-8pm; Thursday 4-5pm. All welcome.

Altar Servers' Annual Diocesan Mass will take place on Saturday 7th October, 2.30pm in the Cathedral. All altar servers are invited and to vest in the Cathedral Hall in order to be ready to process by 2pm. All welcome.

Christian Initiation of Adults Group (RCIA). The first meeting of the RCIA group will be at 7pm on Tuesday 12th Sept. Anyone interested in finding out what Catholics believe; or wants to be baptised and to become a Catholic; or is Christian already and wants to become a Roman Catholic; or is Catholic already and want to be confirmed is most welcome to take part. The group provides teaching and support within the friendly Catholic community in Enfield. Please contact one of the

priests or Michael Walsh (phone 0740 3343809) or michaelwalsh2001@live.co.uk

Priest References for Secondary School Applications. Appointment times to obtain the Certificate of Catholic Practice will be available from **Monday 11th Sept.** in the presbytery.

Priest References (Certificate of Catholic Practice) for Primary School Applications. Please check future newsletters.

Tuesday Bereavement/Social Group will meet on 12th & 26th September after 12 noon Mass in the Challoner room. All welcome.

The Power of the Rosary Prayer Group will meet in the Challoner room on Wednesday 20th September at 10.30am. All welcome.

The Sunday Cafe open 10-11am. If you would like to be part of the team that provides tea/coffee in parish centre please contact Mary Newman after the gam Mass on Sunday or email maryvnewman@btinternet.com Usually you would help one Sunday a month.

Green House Needed. The volunteer ladies and gentlemen who keep our gardens looking wonderful request from our parishioners if anyone has a green house they no longer need to donate to the parish. We would be very grateful. Please contact the parish.

The family of the **Michael Donnelly** regret to inform the parish of Michael's death on 25th August 2023. He was a parishioner at OLSG from 1957 to 2010 and also the treasurer of the TWIN group. May he rest in peace.

- OUR LADY OF WALSHINGHAM -

Mass Times Change at Our Lady of Walsingham (OLW). Unfortunately as we now have two priests in the parish (instead of three), the last weekday Mass on Thursday at OLW will be on 14th September. The regular 10am Sunday Mass at OLW will continue as usual.

The Feast of Our Lady of Walsingham will be celebrated jointly with the Polish Mission. Mass will be at 11am (not 10am) at OLW church on Sunday 24th September followed by refreshments. All are welcome to attend. There will be limited car parking available in the church grounds.

- CATECHETICS -

Registration forms are available for:

First Reconciliations & Holy Communion: primary school years 3 and 4 (closing date [Friday 15th September 2023](#)).

Foundational Catechesis for primary school year 2 (closing date [Friday 15th Sept. 2023](#)).

Forms available from the presbytery & website

Confirmation. Forms and Registration for those in Year 9 will commence in **October**.

- FINANCE -

To Donate to the Parish or Gift Aiding your Donation. Details are on our Diocesan website: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/enfield/donate/>

Giving by Standing Order. Would you consider donating 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 us to let us know: enfieldgac@rcdow.org.uk

- OTHER NEWS & INFORMATION -

Our Schools Need More Catholic Governors and Directors. Please see some of our vacancies at www.https://education.rcdow.org.uk/governance-admissions/interested-in-working-in-our-schools/ or email governors@rcdow.org.uk or see the QR code on the poster in the porch.

Young Catholic Adults. During the weekend of 21st-22nd October 2023, Young Catholic Adults & the Traditional English Association of Catholic History will be organising a pilgrimage to York & visit the shrine of St. Margaret Clitherow, York Oratory, the Bar Convent & St. Mary's Abbey. It is aimed at Young Catholic Adults & Catholics interested in history. For details of how to book onto this free weekend and for more info see: <https://bookwhen.com/youngcatholicadults-yorkpilgrimage2023>

Awake London. A Catholic Bible convention & Healing ministry, Saturday 16th Sept., 2-5pm led By Fr David Waller and Anointing Fire Catholic Ministry UK at Christ The King, 455 Chingford Road, E4 8SP. www.sehionuk.org/

- OLSG CAR PARK -

Please remember to enter your car registration number upon arrival, even if you are only lighting a candle or saying a prayer. When entering your registration number **press 'Go'** and you will see an onscreen notification. If you do not enter your registration number and press 'go' upon arrival, you will incur a fine from the parking company who administers the car park. All queries regarding parking fines etc. must be directed to the parking company as the church will be unable to deal with queries.

Please **park ONLY in the marked bays**. Double parking and parking on the kerb is NOT permitted at any time (even on a Saturday or Sunday). **Spot checks will be carried out. Fines issued by the parking company.**