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## LITURGY, CONFESSION & MASS TIMES

Sun 18th Feb + FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

*Ps Wk 1*

*Genesis 9:8-15; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15 (page 152)*

**OLSG:** Mass 8am, 9am, 10.30am, 12noon (LS), 6pm **OLW:** Mass 10am

Mon 19th Feb Lent Feria

**HFC:** Mass 8am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7-8pm

**OLSG:** Church cleaning 10am, Mass 12 noon (LS)

Tues 20th Feb Lent Feria

**HFC:** Mass 8am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7-8pm

**OLSG:** Mass 12 noon (LS)

**OLW:** Funeral Mass of Lily Berry RIP [12.30pm](#)

Wed 21st Feb St Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

**HFC:** Mass 8am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7-8pm

**OLW:** Stations of the Cross 10am

**OLSG:** Mass 12 noon (LS)

Thur 22nd Feb THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER APOSTLE

**OLW:** Mass 10am (*during Lent*). **OLSG:** Mass 12 noon (LS)

**HFC:** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 4-5pm

Fri 23rd Feb St Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr

**OLSG:** Mass 10am. Mass 12 noon (LS) followed by Stations of the Cross.  
7pm Stations of the Cross

Sat 24th Feb Lent Feria

**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 25th Feb + SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

*Ps Wk 2*

*Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18; Romans 8:31-34; Mark 9:2-10 (page 155)*

**OLSG:** Mass 8am, 9am, 10.30am, 12noon (LS), 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.catholickenfield.org/live-stream/](http://www.catholickenfield.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.

Please feel free to join us for Morning Prayer at 7.30am every morning.

**OLSG is open:** Monday-Friday 7.15am-6pm; Saturday 9am-7pm; Sunday 7.15am-7pm  
*unless otherwise indicated in the newsletter*

**Mass in Polish:** at **OLW:** For information visit [www.parafiaenfield.org](http://www.parafiaenfield.org)

# 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 B

+ FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

18 February 2024

## Forty Days and Forty Nights

The evocative hymn 'Forty Days and Forty Nights' announces the beginning of the Lent season. The words, although they are from the Victorian era, are relevant to us today.

We are reminded that in Lent we join Our Lord in his temptation and in his fast. We are not alone, any more than he was alone when the angels came and looked after him (Mark 1:13).

We have taken on our various Lenten disciplines and we pray for grace so that we may remain faithful to these good intentions. The hymn teaches us that Jesus did not waver for a moment. He was 'tempted and yet undefiled.'

Verse three makes an appeal that we might share the endurance of the Lord and watch and

pray with him. We can be strong if we are willing to unite our small sufferings and sacrifices with his great ones.

Later in the hymn (verse four to be precise) the prospect of Satan is placed before us. In the memorable phrase he is 'vexing sore'. We are called to remain steadfast, keenly aware of the threat of evil and malice. The hymn triumphantly states that the devil has been overcome by Christ, and so we pray to God that, in the same spirit, 'we may not faint nor fail'.

Lastly, we ask the Lord to remain at our side each day, and pray that we may appear at the 'eternal Eastertide', that is in heaven, with Him. What a hymn! With my prayers, Father Daniel

## Synod—2024

You may remember that, some time ago, there was a series of meetings where parishioners were able to offer their thoughts and reflections on the life of the Church. These helpful soundings were then fed back to the Diocese and a response submitted to Rome for the Synod on Synodality, which took place last October.

The Cardinal has now asked us to meet again

for two similar meetings to continue the conversation. Therefore, I invite parishioners to join the clergy for these meetings which will take place in the Challoner Room.

**TODAY, Sunday 18th February, immediately after the 12 noon Mass, concluding by 2 pm.**

Friday 23rd Feb., 6pm, concluding in time for Stations of the Cross at 7 pm. Father Daniel.

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

**The sick & housebound:** Jane Wrangles, Tabitha David, Sjef Clasquin, Iris Gorman, Dennis Cox, Carol Cormack, Mary Goulding, Patrick Mortimer, Eithne Cannon and Marylou Campos.

**Those who have died:** Lily Berry, Mabel Monsurate, Mary O'Connor, Deacon Stephen Pickard, Tracy-Ann Anderson and Frances Walsh.

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Alice Gill and Mary Sears.

**THE LAMPS IN OUR CHURCHES**

**This week the lamp:**

By the Tabernacle (left side) Vivian Uku - Rest in Peace

by the Tabernacle (right side) Delia McKenna - Rest in Peace

by Our Lady's Chapel burns for Marie Coutinho - Healing

by the Sacred Heart Chapel burns for Olivia Freitas - Rest in Peace



**-LENT-**

**Mass at OLW at 10 am on Thursdays during Lent** (22nd, 29 Feb., 7th, 14th and 21st March).

**Stations of the Cross in Lent.** Fridays at OLSG after 12 noon Mass and at 7pm. Wednesday at OLW at 10am. All welcome.

**Confessions in Lent.** Confession times on Saturdays: 10am-10.45am and 5pm-5.45 pm.

**Lenten Bible reflections** on Thursdays during Lent after midday Mass until 2pm in the presbytery. All welcome.

**Cardinal's Lenten Appeal 2024.** All funds raised go towards projects across our Diocese to support the work of our services, such as Marriage & Family Life, Youth Ministry, Education and the work of Caritas Westminster, who work for and with some of the most vulnerable people in our Diocese. To donate, there is a wall box at the back of the church marked 'Cardinal's Appeal' or please take one of the donation envelopes or to donate online, please use the QR code on the Cardinal's Lenten Appeal poster. Thank you.

**Young Adults Group.** Meeting on the subject of Prayer for 18-35 year olds on Saturday 24th February at 7pm in the presbytery. Please contact Joshua on 07307 380022.

**-PARISH NOTICES-**

**CAFOD Family Fast Day – Lent Appeal.** This Lent, your donations to CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal will help hardworking people like James the fisherman in Liberia with resources, tools and training to feed their families for good. Please take a CAFOD envelope and return next week with your donation or give online at [cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk) or use the QR code. Please join us in praying with James that our sisters and brothers around the world have what they need to feed their families. To find out about volunteering opportunities with CAFOD visit Volunteer ([cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk))



**The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul (SVP).** The aim of SVP is to tackle loneliness in the elderly, to promote self-sufficiency in disadvantaged groups and to fight for social justice by identifying the causes of poverty and then trying to provide solutions. An SVP representative will be here for an **Information Meeting on Monday 26th at February, 7 pm** in the presbytery. All welcome.

**Bereavement/Social Group** will meet on 20th February after 12 noon Mass in the Challoner room. All welcome.

**The North Enfield Foodbank.** The parish will resume the collection on 2nd/3rd March.

**A Parish Pilgrimage to Modena, Ravenna and Padua, Italy, 21st–27th September 2024, led by Fr Daniel.** Full details and booking forms are available from the presbytery during office hours.

**Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony - Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 25th May, 2:30pm.** The Cardinal is inviting to this Mass 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 2024. If you are celebrating an anniversary and would like to attend, please contact the parish secretary: [enfield@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:enfield@rcdow.org.uk) or 020 8363 256 with the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address & email (or telephone number, if no email) by 28th March.

**The Power of the Rosary Prayer Group** will meet on Wednesday 28th February, 10.30am in the Challoner room. All welcome.

**TWIN - AGM** will take place at 2.30pm on Wednesday 6th March in the presbytery followed by one of our meetings to send donations to beneficiaries in Third World countries. All welcome. Refreshments offered.

**Children's Week 2024.** If you are hoping for your children to attend our fun filled Children's Week in July, please remember that you are required to attend yourself and to provide support for the event. In order to do this you must have a current DBS certificate issued via the parish. If you are not sure whether or not you have a current certificate, you can check with Sam Seth, one of the parish safeguarding leads. If you need a DBS check you must apply now by contacting Sam, or it is unlikely that any new certificates will be processed in time for Children's Week in July. See the front of the newsletter for Sam's email.

**New to the Parish.** If you are a new parishioner, please collect a registration form from the presbytery during office hours.

**Date for your Diary - Blessing of Graves** at Lavender Hill & Strayfield Road Cemeteries will take place on Saturday 6th July 2024 at 2pm.

**-CATECHETICS-**

**First Holy Communion Reminder.** The meeting for parents of children preparing for First Holy Communion will be on Monday 19th February at 7pm in the church.

**-FINANCE-**

**To Donate to the Parish or to Gift Aid your Donation.** Details are on our Diocesan website: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/enfield/donate/> Thank you for your ongoing support.

**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](mailto:enfieldgac@rcdow.org.uk)

**Contactless Giving Device in the Church Porch of OLSG.** Available for parishioners who would like to donate to the parish in a swift and simple way.



**-OTHER NEWS & INFORMATION-**

**Little Owl's Music** - In St George's Primary School every Wednesday 2.30 pm–3.15 pm. This is for pre-school aged children. [www.st-george.enfield.sch.uk](http://www.st-george.enfield.sch.uk) (parents information).

**Vacancies in the Westminster Diocese.** Please see: <http://rcdow.org.uk/diocese/jobs/>

**CAR PARKING AT OLSG** — Please will those parking in order to visit the church and the presbytery remember to enter their registration numbers Monday to Saturday.