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LITURGY, CONFESSION & MASS TIMES

Sun 5th May + SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER *Ps Wk 2*

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1 John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17 (page 270)

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

Mon 6th May Easter Feria

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

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

Tues 7th May Easter Feria

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

OLSG: Mass 12 noon (LS)

Wed 8th May Easter Feria

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

OLSG: Funeral Mass of Marko Tomsic RIP 12 noon (LS)

Thur 9th May + THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD Holy Day of Obligation

Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23; Mark 16:15-20 (page 273)

OLW: 10.30am

OLSG: Mass 12 noon (LS) and 7pm

HFC: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 4-5pm

Fri 10th May Saint John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church *Friday abstinence*

OLSG: Mass 10am, 12 noon (LS). Funeral Service of Ruby Grey RIP 1.30pm.

Adoration & Benediction with Stations of the Resurrection 7-8pm

Sat 11th May Easter Feria

OLSG: Mass 9.30am; Mass for the Westminster Section of the Equestrian

Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem 10.30am; Adoration and

Confessions 5pm-5.45pm; Mass 6pm

Sun 12th May + SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER *Ps Wk 3*

Acts 1:15-17,20-26; John 4:11-16; John 17:11-19 (page 277)

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.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 Regina Caeli.

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

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

Mass in Polish: For information visit 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

+ SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

5th May 2024

Love changes everything

In the eight short verses of our Gospel reading this Sunday (John 15:9-17), Jesus uses the word “commandment” five times and the word “love” nine times. Our gut reaction to these two words are very different. We almost tend to think about them as being opposite to one another. Our reaction to the word “love” is positive; our reaction to the word “commandment” is negative. We think of love as being freeing, and commandments as being restrictive. We think of love as joyful, and commandments as being joyless. We think of love as something that expands us, and commandments as something that restricts us. Anyway, you get my point. So what to make of Jesus juxtaposing and linking the two together so strongly in today’s reading?

Well, Jesus teaches us that the two are indeed inseparable. In fact, the more we love, the less it feels like a commandment. Love then simply becomes second nature. Jesus simply teaches us that love changes everything we do. A thought I always like to come back to in

my own spiritual life, is how we all have been made in God’s image. If we truly believe this, then it means that our love simply must mirror God’s love. As inventions come from an inventor, or art comes from an artist, we come from God... and therefore his love must be mirrored in the way we love.

Indeed, love changes everything. Imagine you have a nasty boss who orders you to go and buy an expensive wine in a shop. You run there and back quickly, afraid you might get told off that you took too much time. There is no love in that running. But suppose you just found out that your husband or wife loves that same bottle of wine and you decide to be a knight in shining armour to run to the store and get it. There *is* love in that running. The same running as before, but love has transformed that running. The same in life... we can run... but it is a whole different thing to run with love.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The sick & housebound: Ayrin Aziz, Victor Saldanha, Rachael Wood, Dennis Cox, Carol Cormack, Patricia Osman, Mary Goulding, Patrick Mortimer and Sheila O'Sullivan.

Those who have died: Julie Lottle, Marko Tomsic, Ruby Grey, Patrick Courtney, Ignacio Gustave, William Leahy, Millie Delgado, Michael Lynch, Tsng Ledng Tian and Mark Kerrigan.

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Ottavia Papini.

THE LAMPS IN OUR CHURCHES

This week the lamp:

By the Tabernacle (left side) burns for Joshua Braganza - Intentions

by the Tabernacle (right side) burns for Marie Coutinho - Healing

by Our Lady's Chapel burns for Ottavia Papini - Rest in Peace (anniversary)

by the Sacred Heart Chapel burns for Fr John Warnaby - Rest in Peace



-PARISH NOTICES-

North Enfield Foodbank this weekend 4th/5th May. The most needed items are: carrier bags, long life milk, crisps/ savoury snacks, tinned fruit, tinned soup, hot chocolate, tinned meat (pork and chicken), tinned mixed beans, sugar (500g), size 6 nappies, household cleaning products and toiletries. Thank you for all of your donations, they make a difference to our community in Enfield.

CAFOD's Sudan Crisis Appeal. Millions of families in Sudan, forced to flee their homes amid conflict, now face yet another urgent crisis – extreme hunger. Please give to CAFOD's Sudan Crisis Appeal in church today or at cafod.org.uk/sudanappeal. Your donation will help CAFOD's partners to support more families with food packages and emergency cash payments as well as rebuilding water pipelines, so clean water can reach communities who need it. Thank you for your generosity.



The Ascension of the Lord - Thursday 9th May. Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be celebrated at **OLW** church at 10.30am and at **OLSG** church at 12 noon and 7pm.

The Presbytery. Reception will be closed on Bank Holiday Monday, 6th May. Thank you to

all our volunteer receptionists.

Adoration. On **Friday 10th May**, 7pm-8pm at OLSG church there will be a time of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, concluding with Benediction. During the Adoration, the Stations of the Resurrection will be prayed. These are a set of reflections – not unlike the Stations of the Cross – based on the Resurrection appearances. As such, they are most appropriate for Eastertide. All welcome.

Changes to Saturday 11th May at OLSG. Mass at 9.30am. There will not be morning Confessions or Adoration due to **Mass at 10.30am** for the Westminster Section of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem. All welcome to attend. Adoration & Confessions will be in the afternoon as usual, 5pm-5.45pm, followed by 6pm Mass.

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

Change to Mass time on Tuesday 14th May. Mass at 8am at HFC and 9.30am at OLSG, (instead of 12 noon) due to the clergy attending the deanery meeting.

Lay Fraternity of St. Charles de Foucauld. Come and share God's love with others at our next meeting in the Challoner room on Tuesday 7th May, 10.15-11.45am. All welcome.

The Power of the Rosary Prayer Group will meet on Wednesday 8th and 22nd May, 10.30am in the Challoner room. All welcome.

Eastertide Bible reflections. Thursdays after 12noon Mass to 2pm in the Challoner room.

SVP - The next meeting will be held on Monday 13th May at 7pm in the Parish Centre.

TWIN (Third World In Need). The next meeting will be on Wednesday 15th May at 2.30pm in the presbytery. Anyone interested in the developing world is welcome.

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

Parish Repository. On sale, among other things, articles for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. The repository is run by parish volunteers and usually opens before/after Mass.

- CATECHETICS -

Confirmation class and rehearsal on Sunday 12th May at 4.30pm in the parish centre.

-FINANCE-

Planned Giving Envelopes. Please collect your planned giving box from the presbytery. Please do not use old envelopes. Your support is greatly appreciated.

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

To Donate to the Parish or to Gift Aid your Donation please visit our Diocesan website: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/enfield/donate/>

NOVENA PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

(Novena from Friday 10th—Saturday 18th May)

V/ Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
R/ And kindle in them the fire of your love.

V/ Send forth your spirit and they shall be created,
R/ And you shall renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray:

O God, who has taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant that by the gift of the same Spirit we may always be truly wise and ever rejoice in His consolation. Through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

-OTHER NEWS & INFORMATION-

St Vincent's Shop - Do you have a few hours to spare during the week? Would you consider joining the friendly team at the new SVP charity shop in Church Street. Please pop in and see Mandy.

The annual May Procession in honour of Our Lady will take place at the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden, 1 Nicoll Road, NW10 9AX on Sunday 12th May at 3pm. The Preacher will be Fr Pius Collins, O.Praem.

Sponsor a Lourdes Wheelchair The diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes is in need of new wheelchairs to transport the assisted pilgrims during the pilgrimage. Each wheelchair costs £139. If anyone would like to sponsor a wheelchair in memory of someone, please contact Elizabeth Uwalaka in the Pilgrimage Office on: elizabethuwalaka@rcdow.org.uk or 020 7798 9173.

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.

Please ONLY park in the marked bays. Double parking and parking on the kerb is NOT permitted at any time.