

# Our Lady of Mount Carmel & Saint George

with Our Lady of Walsingham & the English Martyrs

A parish of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Westminster

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+ THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

12th January 2025

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## Bits and Pieces

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Firstly, I sincerely hope that the Jubilee or Holy Year of 2025 has begun well for all parishioners. This year of grace is, as I explained last weekend, a significant and poignant anniversary of the birth of Our Lord. Along with the children in St George's Catholic Primary School last week, I was marvelling at the realisation that the way in which we number the years, is due entirely to the birth of Christ. He truly is the turning point of history. Let us not forget. Thanks be to God.

Last weekend, I spoke briefly about the Jubilee Indulgence which can be obtained throughout the Holy Year. Please see the Diocesan Website: <https://rcdow.org.uk/jubilee-2025/the-jubilee-indulgence-step-by-step/> for further details.

There will be more to follow in regard to the Jubilee. Meanwhile, I encourage parishioners to consider joining the Jubilee Pilgrimage to Rome in December and to Spain in June.

Now to a couple of other matters. You will probably not be surprised to learn that 83 funerals took place in this parish during 2024. This means we have 83 souls to remember in

our prayers, but also that we have a large number of bereaved family members and friends whom we are asked to support. Our Bereavement Contact Group does sterling work in making contact with the bereaved, but there is more that we can be doing. With this in mind, I have decided to offer a monthly Mass on the last Friday of each month at 7pm in OLSG, for the Holy Souls. The recently bereaved are especially invited to attend this Mass. It will be followed by a social gathering in the Challoner Room. The first of these Masses will take place at 7 pm on Friday 31st January. All are welcome.

Lastly, I wonder whether any parishioners are still pondering their new year resolutions? If so, how about supporting and enhancing the musical offerings in the parish? We have opportunities for singers, organists and instrumentalists. I am very grateful to those who already make music here in the parish. Wouldn't it be wonderful, though, if we could use this Jubilee Year to improve and enhance our joyful noise, so that God's glory is sung even more beautifully in this place? With tuneful greetings to all. Father Daniel

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## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**The sick & housebound:** Ethan Apap, Dennis Cox, Carol Cormack, Nitsa Kozinos, Rose Kozinos, John Egan, Clare Henry and Elizabeth (Lily) Bleach.

**Those who have died:** Teresa Kealy, Michael Humphreys, Richard Pursand, Fr Sean Carroll, Fr David Barnes, Stefan Kicko, Patricia Short, Thinh Van Le, Marion Bowen, Teresa Browne, Helena Stabelova, Raffaella Amatrudo, Thomas Fealy and Martin Manning.

**Anniversaries at this time:** Biddy Woodland, John Grilli, Margaret Walsh, Cilla O'Donoghue, Michael Skehill, Michael Sexton, Patrick O'Connor, Vittorio Giordano and Angel Gonzalez.

## THE LAMPS IN OUR CHURCHES

### This week the lamp:

by the Tabernacle (left side) burns for Nora O'Connor - Rest in Peace

by the Tabernacle (right side) burns for Chris O'Connor - Rest in Peace

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

by the Sacred Heart Chapel burns for Martin Connaughton - Healing

by the Tabernacle at OLW burns for Jennifer Dunkley - New Year blessings for 2025



## -PARISH NOTICES-

**Rosary by the Fountain.** On **Monday 13th January**, 7pm, all are invited to join one of the clergy at the fountain (near HSBC Bank & Nandos) to pray the rosary publically for our families, parish & the world.

**Mass at OLW church on Thursday 16th, 23rd and 30th January at 9.30 am.** All are welcome.

**Eucharistic Adoration.** The Sisters of the Holy Family invite parishioners to join them for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Monday-Wednesday 7pm-8pm and Thursday 4pm-5pm.

**Thank You** to everyone who brought donations last weekend for the **North Enfield Foodbank**. We are very grateful for your generosity and support helping those in need.

**Crib Appeal 2024** - The crib will remain in front of the altar until the Presentation of the Lord, Sunday 2nd February. Offerings may be placed in the candle box by the crib. Donations will go to the Catholic Children's Society. Thank you. [www.cathchild.org.uk](http://www.cathchild.org.uk)

**Parish Pilgrimage to Segovia, Spain 21st-26th June 2025, led by Fr Daniel Humphreys.** Full details and booking forms are available from the presbytery.

**Peace Sunday—19th January 2025.** The work of Pax Christi is based on the gospel and inspired by faith. Our vision is of a world where people can live in peace, without fear of violence in all its forms. Rooted in Catholic Christianity, we work with all who share our values to abolish war and create communities of peace and justice. There are envelopes in the porch if you would like to support Pax Christi. For more details visit: [paxchristi.org.uk](http://paxchristi.org.uk)

**Mount Carmel Ladies Group** will meet on Thursday 16th January at 12.45pm for a 1.30pm talk on The Enfield Society (a change to previously advertised) with our usual raffle.

**The Power of the Rosary Prayer Group** will meet on Wednesday 22nd January, 10.30am in the Challoner room. All welcome.

**Collection for the homeless - Sunday 3rd February.** Our annual parish collection of goods for London's homeless will take place in aid of the Manna Society on 2nd/3rd Feb. The Manna Society at London Bridge provides daily meals for London's many homeless people together with shower facilities and other services. They have volunteer doctors, dentists and chiropodists who offer their services free of charge.

[www.mannasociety.org.uk](http://www.mannasociety.org.uk)

A list of items the day centre needs will be published in this newsletter nearer the time. Thank you. **The Justice and Peace Group.**

**The Newsletter is available online.** To receive a copy by email, please click on the [catholicefield.org](http://catholicefield.org) home page. Once subscribed, please do not take a printed copy to save paper and help the environment.

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

### **-FINANCE-**

**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)

**To Donate to the Parish or to Gift Aid your Donation** please visit our Diocesan website:

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/enfield/donate/>

**Contactless Giving Device in the Church Porch of OLSG.** Thank you for all your donations to the parish.

### **-OTHER NEWS & INFORMATION-**

**'Do you believe this?'** Ecumenical Service at **St Luke the Evangelist church**, Phipps Hatch Lane, EN2 0HL on Sunday 19th January at 6pm to mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2025 (18th to 25th January). All are welcome. [www.ctbi.org.uk/weekofprayer](http://www.ctbi.org.uk/weekofprayer)

**St Ignatius College**, Turkey Street, EN1 4NP - **Sixth Form Open Evening** on Thursday 16th January. It is inclusive for boys & girls. From 5.45pm and speech at 6.15pm. For details: <https://www.st-ignatius.enfield.sch.uk/>

**A Year of Hope: An Introduction to the Jubilee Year with the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development.** 2025 is a Jubilee year, but what does that mean? Catholic talk

show host and author Nana Churcher, and CAFOD's Simon Giarchi will be hosting Fr Jan Nowotnik (Director of Mission for the Bishop's Conference), Christine Allen (CAFOD's Director) and Kayode Akintola (CAFOD's Head of Africa) and more for a lively start to the Jubilee. With a special appearance by Catholic band Ooberfuse. **Saturday 18th Jan, 10.30am-midday, online.** All welcome. Register here for free: [cafod.org.uk/jubilee](http://cafod.org.uk/jubilee)

**Pilgrimage to Rome & The Vatican City— The Year of Jubilee 2025, 1st-5th Dec. 2025.**

This parish with St Thomas of Canterbury Parish, Fulham. A Jubilee is a Holy Year of grace and pilgrimage which takes place every 25 years. Join the Parish Pilgrimage. £1,290 per person sharing on a half board basis and includes return flights from Heathrow. Brochures with itinerary details etc., available from the presbytery. For more details: 0800 612 3423 or [office@pilgrimagepeople.org](mailto:office@pilgrimagepeople.org)

**Saint Vincent de Paul Society (SVP)** collect foreign, old and Irish coins and banknotes to raise funds. A collection jar is available at reception during presbytery opening hours. Thank you for all your donations.

### **-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. It really is essential to do this and to double check with yourself that this has been done.

The parish can only request cancellation of a Parking Charge Notice (PCN) in exceptional circumstances, and forgetting to enter your registration number is not one of these circumstances. Therefore all future such requests will be refused.

Fr Daniel

To watch live-stream (LS): [www.catholicefield.org/live-stream/](http://www.catholicefield.org/live-stream/)

## LITURGY, CONFESSION & MASS TIMES

**Sun 12th Jan + THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

*Ps Wk 1*

*Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Luke 3:15-16, 21-22*

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

**OLW:** Mass 10am

**Mon 13th Jan** St Hilary, Bishop and doctor of the Church

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

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

**Tues 14th Jan** Feria

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

**OLSG:** Funeral Mass of Marion Bowen RIP 12 noon (LS)

**Wed 15th Jan** Feria

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

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

**Thur 16th Jan** Feria

**OLW:** Mass 9.30am

**OLSG:** Mass 12 noon (LS). Prayer to the Sacred Heart 3-4pm

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

**Fri 17th Jan** St Anthony, Abbot

*Friday abstinence*

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

**Sat 18th Jan** Blessed Virgin Mary on a Saturday

**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 19th Jan + SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*Ps Wk 2*

*Isaiah 62:1-5; 1 Corinthians 12:4-11; John 2:1-11*

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

**OLW:** Mass 10am

**KEY:** **OLSG:** Our Lady of Mount Carmel & Saint George, 45 London Road, EN2 6DS

**OLW:** Our Lady of Walsingham, Holtwhites Hill, EN2 8HG

**HFC:** Holy Family Convent, 52 London Road, EN2 6EN

**(LS):** Mass also live-streamed: [www.catholicefield.org/live-stream/](http://www.catholicefield.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.

**OLSG church** Monday-Friday 7am-6pm; Saturday-Sunday 7am-7pm

**is open:** *unless otherwise indicated in the newsletter*

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