

# 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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+ FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9th February 2025

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## With Sincere Appreciation

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It seems fitting to dedicate the first part of this week's editorial to an expression of gratitude. Susi Thompson has been our Parish Secretary for some 17 years. Later this month she will step down from this position.

The role of a Parish Secretary or Administrator (which seems to be the preferred title nowadays) is not an easy one. It requires a considerable level of patience, perseverance, discretion and an awareness of the diversity and complexity of the parish in question. Enfield is no exception. Susi has, in my experience and that of my predecessors, brought many gifts to the role she has held for all these years. She will be missed and she leaves with our love and thanks, and with my gratitude, in particular. Thank you very much, Susi, and we all wish you the very best for the future. You are in our prayers.

The new role of Parish Administrator will be advertised shortly and we hope to make an appointment in the coming weeks. Please keep all of this in your prayers.

The late Easter means that Lent is a late

starter this year. I am eager that we use this time well and make plans for a good and holy Lent. We will also be having a weekend of teaching on the Eucharist—'A Weekend in the Cenacle' led by my good friend Fr Darren Maslen SSS (of the Blessed Sacrament Fathers). This will run on the weekend of 21-23 March and will take place in the Parish Centre. I do hope that it will be a time of renewal and refreshment as we consider the gift of the Holy Eucharist. I will leave the rest to Fr Darren.

Finally, I am pleased that folk have responded to my appeal to offer musical gifts to enhance and support our worship. I would like to meet with all who are either involved in our music, or who would like to be, on **Saturday 15th February at 4 pm in the Parish Centre**. We have only one Mass without music each weekend (the 8am) so this means that 6 Sunday Masses require musical input and this takes careful planning and asks a great deal of us. It is right that we take this seriously.

With all good wishes and prayers, *Fr Daniel*.

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## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**The sick & housebound:** Stavros Antonio, Vera Brunt, Dennis Cox, Carol Cormack, Nitsa Kozinos, Rose Kozinos, Carol Crosbie and John Egan.

**Those who have died:** Wanda Musial, Anne Gavin, Jimmy Flynn, Fr John Buckley, Michael Cunliffe, Maria Paganuzzi, Ana Sanchez Muñoz, Ernesto De La Cruz and Imogen Cleary-Vong.

**Anniversaries at this time:** Sheila Saldanha, Irma Mansi and Mary O'Connor.

## THE LAMPS IN OUR CHURCHES

### This week the lamp:

by the Tabernacle (left side) burns for Marie Coutinho - Birthday & Healing

by the Tabernacle (right side) burns for Sam Seth - Birthday

by Our Lady's Chapel burns for Veronica (Vera) White - Rest in Peace (anniversary)



## -PARISH NOTICES-

**Missio - Thank You.** Fr Philip Amek MHM wishes to thank the parish for the welcome and generous response to the Red Box appeal last weekend. If you did not get a chance to collect a Red Box or Direct Debit form, please speak to Declan Tierney, Missio volunteer.

### Thank you - Manna Society Homeless Collection.

Thank you to all who donated food & other suggested items for our annual collection for the Manna Society last weekend. The goods were delivered to them at London Bridge last Monday. To find out more please visit <https://www.mannasociety.org.uk/> you can also donate online or send a cheque to The Manna Society, 12 Melior Street, London SE1 3QP. Thank you, Justice and Peace Group.

**Crib Appeal 2024** - Thank you for your donations received in the candle box by the crib, totalling £1,157.17, which has been sent to the Catholic Children's Society.

**Change to Mass Time on Tuesday 11th February.** Mass at 8 am at HFC and at 9.30am at OLSG (instead of 12 noon), due to the clergy attending the deanery meeting.

**Rosary by the Fountain.** On **Thursday 13th February**, 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 every Thursday in February at 9.30 am.** All are welcome.

### Petition—Campaign for Peace in Palestine.

**Next weekend** you are invited to sign a petition after Mass, organised by the Palestinian Solidarity Campaign asking our local councils not to invest in Institutions that are funding the destruction of Gaza and the West Bank. This petition is also taking place at St Edmund's, Edmonton and asks Enfield Council to move any financial investments away from any companies involved in supplying weapons or other means to illegally occupy or destroy Palestinian land. We need 3000 signatures in order for Enfield Council to consider this and we currently have just over 2000 signatures. Justice & Peace Group.

**The Sunday Cafe open 10am-11am.** With your support and the hard work of the volunteers making tea and coffee on Sundays, we have sent £70 to the North Enfield Foodbank and £70 to Friends of the Holy Land. Join us after 9am Mass in the Parish Centre and raise more for charity.

**Teas & Coffees after 10.30am Mass** starting Sunday 16th Feb. Join us in the Parish Centre for a hot drink & a friendly chat with fellow parishioners. All welcome! If you would like to help serve tea and coffee, please contact the church office on 020 8363 2569 or email [enfieldoutreach@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:enfieldoutreach@rcdow.org.uk)

**Brass Band Concert in OLSG on Saturday 1st March**, 7.30pm. The Potters Bar Town Band will be with us for a music concert of different styles & eras. All proceeds in aid of the Parish Centre Building Fund. It promises to be a wonderful evening. Tickets available soon.

**Young Adults (18-35)** are invited to an Enfield Deanery gathering on Friday 14th Feb, 7.30-9.30pm at Christ the King, Cockfosters N14 4HE. Worship music, speaker & Adoration followed by social. Any questions, email Anna [annamcmullan@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:annamcmullan@rcdow.org.uk)

**The Power of the Rosary Prayer Group** will meet on Wednesday 19th February, 10.30am in the Challoner room. All are welcome.

**Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for Matrimony at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 17th May 2025, 2:30pm** The Cardinal invites couples in the Diocese celebrating in 2025 their **5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, and 60th (and any year over 60)** wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage. Please contact the parish secretary ([enfield@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:enfield@rcdow.org.uk) or 020 8363 2569) with these details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, number of years married, postal address, email (or phone number, if no email). Details of attendees are then sent by the parish to the Diocese.

### **-JUBILEE 2025-**

**Saturday 22nd February**. 10am-12noon at Corpus Christi Catholic Church, Maiden Lane, WC2E 7NB. For the feast of the Chair of St Peter, a special **Jubilee Mass** will be celebrated at Corpus Christi, Maiden Lane, which has been designated as one of the Jubilee churches for the Westminster Diocese. 10am: Confessions & Adoration; 11am: Sung Jubilee Mass.

It is possible to obtain the special Plenary Indulgence for the Jubilee by attending this Mass, under the usual conditions. More



details on how to obtain the indulgence at [maidenlanejubilee.co.uk](http://maidenlanejubilee.co.uk)

Please consult the Westminster Diocesan Website for further Jubilee Year information & events: <https://rcdow.org.uk/jubilee-2025/>

### **-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/>

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

**Free computer coaching for the over 60s.** Local charity, Generation Exchange in partnership with St. Anne's School for Girls run a unique computer project whereby young volunteers from the school provide 1:1 IT support to older people. New project starting **Thursday 27th February**, 11.30am-1pm at the school in Palmers Green. 10 sessions. Available for the over 60s living in the boroughs of Haringey or Enfield. Places are limited - for more info & to register, contact Leonie on 07713937811 or [generationexchange2@gmail.com](mailto:generationexchange2@gmail.com)

**St Catherine's Catholic Primary School, High Barnet** - We are looking to recruit a caretaker. Split shift, 7am-12.30pm and 4pm-6.15pm. All details on the vacancies page of the school website <https://st-catherines.barnet.sch.uk/school/vacancies/>

**CAR PARKING AT OLSG** - Please will those parking in order to visit the church and the presbytery remember to enter their registration number Monday to Saturday. It is essential to do this & to double check with yourself that this has been done.

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

## LITURGY, CONFESSION & MASS TIMES

**Sun 9th Feb + FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** *Ps Wk 1*

*Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 5:1-11*

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

**Mon 10th Feb** St Scholastica, Virgin

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

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

**Tues 11th Feb** Our Lady of Lourdes

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

**OLSG:** Mass 9.30 am (instead of 12 noon)

**Wed 12th Feb** Feria

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

**OLSG:** Mass 12 noon (LS), Reception of the body of Wanda Musial RIP 6pm

**Thur 13th Feb** Feria

**OLW:** Mass 9.30am

**OLSG:** Funeral Mass of Wanda Musial RIP 12 noon (LS)

Prayer to the Sacred Heart 3pm-4pm

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

**Fri 14th Feb** SAINTS CYRIL, Monk, and METHODIUS, Bishop

*Friday abstinence*

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

**Sat 15th Feb** 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 16th Feb + SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*Ps Wk 2*

*Jeremiah 17:5-8; 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20; Luke 6:17, 20-26*

**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)