

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 C

+ FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER +

11th May 2025

Pope Leo XIV

I give eternal life to my sheep

We have a new Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV. A new shepherd for the Church. We pray for him as he assumes the responsibilities of being 'Peter'.

Last week there was an optional second part of the Gospel John 21:15-19 which we may not have heard. Jesus asked Simon Peter three times if he loved him more than the disciples. Simon Peter replied, 'Yes Lord; you know that I love you'. Jesus replied, 'Feed my lambs', 'Tend my sheep', 'Feed my sheep'.

This week we hear from John 10:27-30. Again, the theme is sheep. Jesus said, 'My sheep hear my voice and I know them and they follow me. I give them eternal life...'

Why did Our Lord choose this analogy of sheep to demonstrate a similarity with human tendencies? Sheep do not always make wise decisions and they follow each other into danger. Without a shepherd they would not survive in this world. Jesus says the shepherd 'knows them all'. Shepherds do know their sheep as individuals. If any are rejected by their mother, they are bottle

feed and cared for by the shepherd. A group of humans can behave like a flock of sheep! We sometimes follow each other and do unwise things.

Our clergy are called to tend their flock- to feed us so that we may receive the gift of eternal life.

At inauguration, Pope Leo will receive the pallium which is a simple white woollen band which represents the pastoral duties of those leading the church and overseeing a flock of souls.

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday when we reflect on Jesus as the Good Shepherd, and we pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life.

Here in Enfield we have been blessed with several vocations recently and some are in discernment. Vocation starts with prayer, but then it requires some action. So let us all pray for vocations and actively encourage those that are discerning a vocation to take the next step and talk to one of the clergy.

With every blessing, Deacon Peter.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The sick & housebound: We remember all those who are suffering in body, mind and spirit, and we pray that the Risen Lord may bring them peace and healing.

Those who have died: Fr Aidan Sharratt, Eileen Patricia (Pat) Archer, Anne De Rosa, Claude De Souza, Carmella Iannelli, Elias Gomez, Robert Smith, Georgia Jennings nee Day, Karen Bisset, Alan Davis, Maureen Wyatt, Jean Pidgeon.

Anniversaries: Corenlia Clasquin, Josephus Clasquin, Demetri St-Andrew

THE LAMPS IN OUR CHURCHES

The lamps burn this week for the following intentions:

By the Tabernacle (left)—Bernie O' Leary—birthday

By the Tabernacle (Right) - Joshua Mensal—Exams

Our Lady's Chapel — Anne Pendleton RIP anniversary

Sacred Heart Chapel— Marie Coutinho—Healing

St George—Luke Keppel—Special Intentions.



PARISH NOTICES

Easter Lilies. A sincere thank you to those who contributed to this collection. As you can see, your contributions have helped to provide the delightful floral arrangements. We will ensure that the flowers continue to bloom throughout the 50 days of Easter, thanks to your generosity. The Mass in which your loved ones will be especially remembered is on **Friday 30 May at 12 noon.**

Saturday 17th May. Mass as usual at 9.30 am but no Adoration or Confessions that morning due to the Confirmation Masses.

Please pray for young people who will be confirmed at the weekend. Parents and Confirmation Candidates please note that the rehearsal planned for Monday 12 May is cancelled and the rehearsals will take place directly before each **Confirmation Mass.**

Rosary at the Fountain. This gentle act of prayer will take place on Tuesday 13 May (Feast of Our Lady of Fatima) at 7pm at the fountain in Enfield Town. All welcome.

Reflections on the Easter Gospels— each Friday in Eastertide after the 12.00 noon Mass at OLSG. All welcome.

Adoration. On Friday 23rd 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.

Jubilee/Holy Year. In this year when we are Pilgrims into Hope the Cardinal has nominated Jubilee Churches in each area of the diocese. The Jubilee Church for the northern area is the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden. **The annual May Procession** will take place there this Sunday 11 May starting at 3 pm. As you might expect the public transport is not easy due to engineering works. The best way seems to be to go via Overground (Weaver) and Victoria line to Euston and then Overground (Lioness) to Willesden Junction. Fr Daniel is hoping to catch the 1.23 pm train from Enfield Town. If Our Lady is kind to us then all will be well—Mater Dei, ora pro Nobis!

Diocesan Jubilee Pilgrimage to St Edmund's Ware led by Cardinal Nichols on Saturday 12 July. We are looking into booking a coach for this day. More details soon—hopefully by next weekend.

In terms of the Jubilee, please see the diocesan website for more information about the Jubilee Year: <https://rcdow.org.uk/jubilee-2025/>

Adult Catechesis—RCIA. After the joys at the Easter Vigil of the baptism of Abisola, Hana, Nyla, Raveena, and Silene and their confirmation with Anton, Daniel, Michael, and Sydney, meetings of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults group have resumed on Tuesday evenings up to Pentecost, from 7.00 to 8.30pm in the Challoner Room. Anyone thinking about becoming a Catholic or just finding out more about it will be most welcome to take part. Please contact a priest or Michael Walsh on michaelwalsh2001@live.co.uk or 0740 3343809 if you would like to find out more about the meetings.

Coffee Mornings at OLSG. There will be a Coffee Morning after the 9 am Mass and 10.30 am this Sunday. There is always a Coffee Morning after the 10 am Mass at OLW. All welcome, especially newcomers and visitors.

Farewell Mass and thank you to Bishop (Archbishop) John Sherrington. Thursday 15 May at 5.30 pm in Westminster Cathedral. All welcome. Bishop John has been appointed Archbishop of Liverpool.

Next SVP Meeting on Monday 19th May at 7pm in the Parish Centre.

Save the date—Jubilee Parish Walk at Forty Hall Sat 31st May; Meet at Forty Hall at 11.30am. The walk is 1.5hrs approximately. Email enfieldoutreach@rcdow.org.uk for details and to register.

Power of the Rosary Group will meet in the Challoner Room, on Wednesdays 14th May and 28th May 2025 at 10.30am.

Mount Carmel Ladies Group will meet in the Challoner Room on Thursday 15 May at 1pm. Please note the change of venue. There will be the usual raffle.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

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/>

Standing Orders—this is the best way of making regular contributions to the parish.

Thanks to all who give regularly to the mission and work for the parish.

Priest Training Fund. Today is Good Shepherd Sunday, the day we pray for priests and for vocations to the priesthood, and the annual collection for the Priest Training Fund takes place. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. Please be as generous as you can. To make a donation online you can use the QR code on the poster in the porch or please visit www.rcdow.org.uk/

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. Please park charitably.

Vehicles not parked in bays will receive a Penalty Charge notice. Fr Daniel

To watch live-stream (LS): www.catholickenfield.org/live-stream/
LITURGY, CONFESSION & MASSTIMES

Sun 11th May + **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER** Year (C) Week 4
Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood & Second Collection
OLSG: Mass 8am, 9am, 10.30am, 12noon (LS), 6pm.
OLW: Mass 10am.

Mon 12th May St Pancras, Martyr
HFC: Mass 8am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7–8pm
OLSG: Church cleaning 10am, Mass 12 noon (LS) Reception of Pat Archer
R.I.P. 6pm

Tues 13th May Our Lady of Fatima
HFC: Mass 8am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7-8pm
OLSG: Funeral Mass for Pat Archer RIP 12 noon (LS)

Wed 14th May ST MATTHIAS, Apostle
HFC: Mass 8am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7-8pm
OLSG: Mass 12 noon (LS) **OLW:** Funeral Mass (Polish) 11.30 am.

Thur 15th May Easter Feria
OLSG: Mass 12 noon (LS) **HFC:** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament—4-5pm
OLSG: Funeral Mass for Elias Gomez RIP 12 noon (LS) **OLW:** Mass 9.30 am

Fri 16th May Easter Feria
OLSG: Mass 10 am, Mass 12 noon (LS) Confirmation Mass 7pm

Sat 17th May Easter Feria
OLSG: Mass 9.30 am. Confirmation Masses at 11.30 am & 2.30pm
Adoration & Confession 5 pm - 5.45 pm. Mass 6pm

Sun 18th May + **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER** Year (C) Week 1
OLSG: Mass 8am, 9am, 10.30am, 12 noon (LS) 6pm. **OLW:** Mass at 10am

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.catholickenfield.org/live-stream/

In OLSG: On weekdays the Rosary and the Litany will usually be said at 11.30am

OLSG church Monday-Friday 7am-6pm; Saturday-Sunday 7am-7pm. Morning Prayer at
is open: 7.30am Mon-Sat.

Mass in Polish: For information visit www.parafiaenfield.org