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

+ SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER +

25th May 2025

Our Common Home

Last weekend, as you probably know, there were three Confirmation Masses in the parish. It is customary to chose a Confirmation Saint whose name is used in Confirmation. The point being that the saint's charism and story inspires the young people, and they can ask for his/her prayers.

It was interesting to hear the choices the young people made and some of their reasons for those choices. Several chose the ever popular St Francis of Assisi. When I asked them why, they tended to say something about care for creation, the environment and the earth as our common home. This was good to hear.

This reminds me that the church building is itself a spiritual home for us. It is somewhere we can feel at home, and enter into the Real Presence of the Lord.

Why do I make this point? Well, I feel we need to take good care of our spiritual home and to treat it with respect. This gives me an opportunity to thank our veritable army of volunteer cleaners who clean the church each Monday and Thursday. Their work is much appreciated. They always welcome more help, so do consider

joining them, if you have the time.

Having said this, I would like to appeal to all parishioners and visitors to take good care of the church and to respect it. I often find disposable coffee cups, half empty water bottles, used tissues etc, strewn around the church. And then we have the chewing gum. Alongside this, we have the strange practice of picking at the varnish on the benches. Once again, we have had to have several of them sanded down and repainted because of the damage inflicted. If you see someone doing this please come and report this to me.

We are presently working on a Jubilee redecoration project for OLSG. We need to look after the church, it is a precious place.

Alongside this, I would like to make an appeal to all drivers to park sensibly and correctly at all time. Last Sunday morning, Deacon Peter, who had cycled to the 10.30 am Mass, had great difficulty storing his bicycle securely due to a car that was parked in place where it shouldn't have been. It is all part of the same story. Please only park in marked bays, and look after our spiritual and common home. Father Daniel.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

All those who are suffering in body, mind and spirit, and we pray that the Risen Lord may bring them peace and healing. For those sitting examinations. For Pope Leo XIV in his new work.

Those who have died: Fr Francis Press, Alan Davis, Maureen Wyatt, Jean Pidgeon, Ann De Rosa, Veronica Crawley (nee Sheridan) and Rebecca Goode.

Anniversary: Grace Fisher, Cosimo Pardi, Bridget McGrath, Eddie Sherlock and Patsy O'Connor.

THE LAMPS IN OUR CHURCHES The lamps burn this week for the following intentions: By the Tabernacle (left)—Marie Coutinho—healing By the Tabernacle (Right) - Bernard Ainger—RIP birthday Sacred Heart Chapel — Bridget Ward—RIP Our Lady's Chapel —Mildred Boggis —RIP St George Chapel— Maurice & Clare—Thank you



PARISH NOTICES

Easter Lilies. The Mass in which your loved ones will be especially remembered is this **Friday 30 May at 12 noon**.

Bereavement Mass. This monthly Mass, for the Holy Souls, and to support those who are bereaved takes place also on Friday 30 May at 7 pm in OLSG. There is social time afterwards in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

Reflections on the Easter Gospels— each Friday in Eastertide after the 12.00 noon Mass at OLSG. 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 Jubilee Pilgrimage to St Edmund's Ware led by Cardinal Nichols on Saturday 12 July. Please consider coming on this day pilgrimage. If you are interested please leave your name and contact details at the reception in the Presbytery. The cost of the coach is £17.50 per person.

Jubilee Parish Walk at Forty Hall this Sat 31st May; Meet at Forty Hall at 11.30am. The walk is 1.5hrs approximately and is not arduous.

Email <u>enfieldoutreach@rcdow.org.uk</u> for details and to register.

A talk/catechesis to explain and expand on the themes of the Jubilee Year will be given by Fr Daniel in the Parish Centre on Monday 2 June at 7 pm. All welcome.

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. 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 <u>michaelwalsh2001@live.co.uk</u> or 0740 3343809 if you would like to find out more about the meetings.

The Enfield Saturday Club (for those with leaning disabilities) will meet again

this month at Geetha's Allotment on Saturday 31 May 3-5pm. Address: Barnet Allotments & Gardens Association, Cat Hill, East Barnet EN4 8HP. Please note that we will not be meeting at our Lady of Walsingham until further notice. Please do come and join us.

Next Inclusive Masses at OLSG—Saturday 30 August and Saturday 29 November at 3 pm.

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

Grave Blessing at Lavender Hill and Strayfield Road cemeteries. This will take place on Saturday 1 November commencing with Mass in the chapel at Lavender Hill at 2 pm.

Emmaus Jubilee Youth Festival, 2-3 August 2025 at SPEC Retreat Centre. Aimed at young people unable to travel to and coinciding with the Jubilee of Youth in Rome, the festival will offer a transformative encounter with Christ and the opportunity to meet other young people on their journey of faith. Organised by SPEC Retreat Centre of Westminster Youth Ministry, the festival will feature: live Praise & Worship by One Hope Project, engaging panels and interactive workshops, fellowship and reflection at campfires, Eucharistic Adoration and closing by Cardinal Mass celebrated Vincent information Nichols. For more and registration please visit https:// youth.rcdow.org.uk/jubilee-year-2025/ emmausfestival/

Lost Property: There are a number of items in the Presbytery. If these items remain unclaimed they will be disposed of on Tuesday May 27th.

Lay Fraternity of St Charles De Foucauld: The next meeting will take place on 3rd June from 10.15am-11.45am, in the Challoner room. The aim is to follow the spirituality and charism of St Charles de Foucauld.

Telephone system: We are, as I write, experiencing issues with our phone system. Please accept our apologises if you have tried to call us in vain, we are working to sort it out.

Job Vacancy: The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children is looking for full time Receptionist for its HQ in Kennington. Contact www.wpuc.org.uk/joino

Foodbank: collection of non-perishables will be week 1st/2nd of June.

Dates for the diary: Ascension Day—this Thursday 29 May— A Holy Day of Obligation. Mass at HFC at 8am, OLW at 10 am and OLSG at 12 noon and 7 pm (sung).

Wednesday 16 July: The Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Solemn Pontifical Mass at 7 pm with Bishop James Curry. Parish Party after Mass.

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

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

This Newsletter is available online. To receive a copy by email, please click on the <u>catholicenfield.org</u> home page. Save paper and help the environment.— protect our common home.

To watch live-stream (LS): <u>www.catholicenfield.org/live-stream/</u> LITURGY, CONFESSION & MASSTIMES

Sun 25th May	+ SIXTH OF SUNDAY OF EASTER Year (C) Week 2
	OLSG: Mass 8am, 9am, 10.30am, 12noon (LS), 6pm. OLW: Mass 10am.
Mon 26th May	St Philip Neri, Priest HFC: Mass 8am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7—8pm OLSG: Church cleaning 10am, Mass 12 noon (LS)
Tues 27th May	St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop HFC: Mass 8am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7-8pm OLSG: Mass 9.30am (LS)
Wed 28th May	Easter Feria HFC: Mass 8am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7-8pm OLSG: Funeral Mass for Jean Pidgeon RIP 12 noon (LS)
Thu 29th May	THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD— A Holy Day of Obligation OLSG: Mass 12 noon (LS) and 7 pm HFC: Mass at 8am, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament—4-5pm. OLW: Mass 10 am
Fri 3oth May	Easter Feria OLSG: Mass 10 am, Mass (Easter Lilies) 12 noon (LS) 7pm: Bereavement Mass
Sat 31st May	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary OLSG: Mass 9.30 am. Adoration and Confession 10-10.45am Benediction 10.45-am. Adoration and Confessions 5-5.45 pm. Mass 6 pm
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	 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.catholicenfield.org/live-stream/
In OLSG:	On weekdays the Rosary and the Litany will usually be said at 11.30am
	Monday-Friday 7am-6pm;Saturday-Sunday 7am-7pm. Morning Prayer at 7.30am—Mon-Sat. Church closes on Monday at 1pm (Bank Holiday).
Mass in Polish:	For information visit www.parafiaenfield.org