

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

+ **Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Psalter 1 Year C +**

21st Sept 2025

England, "The Dowry of Mary"

By the time you are reading this we will be on our way back home (or home already) from the Diocesan pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham. This is a timely event for our parish as this week on Wednesday is the Feast of Our Lady of Walsingham, which is the principal dedication of our Chapel of Ease at Holtwhites Hill.

The title 'Dowry of Mary' originates from the medieval period when in England devotion to the Virgin Mary was particularly strong, and Our Lady was seen as the 'protectress' of the nation. Signs of this tradition are still present in our liturgy today as we conclude the Universal Prayer at Mass with the Hail Mary.

I consulted the Office of Readings of the feast for some inspiration from the ancient writings of the Church. To my surprise I found that the Second Reading is taken from a homily of St John Paul II given at Wembley Stadium on 29th May 1982. Who says the Church is ancient and outdated!

The Statue of Our Lady of Walsingham was present at the Stadium. So the then Holy Father was preaching about the pilgrimage that the congregation in the stadium had made to Our Lady of Walsingham.

Saint John Paul II said: 'In the Upper Room the Apostles joined in continuous prayer, together with several women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers'.

We must be a people of prayer and deep spirituality. Our society needs to recover a sense of God in the midst of a busy and noisy world. It is Mary who will help us to find the time for prayer. Through the Rosary, that great Gospel of prayer, she will help us to know Christ. We need to live as she did, in the presence of God, raising our minds and hearts to him in our daily activities and worries'.

Our Lady of Walsingham: Pray for us.

Every blessing , Deacon Peter

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

All those who are sick, at home or in hospital. Those who have lost their faith. For an end to war throughout the world. Those struggling to make ends meet.

Those who have died: Mirca Morera, Betty Tindle, Hazel Reece, Mary Coyne, Lily Burton, Lima Sanmuganathan, Jennifer Coyne, David Cox, Anna Navarra, Benito De Maria and Gertrude de Costa.

Anniversary: Valen Thomas and Bernie O'Halloran,

THE LAMPS IN OUR CHURCHES

The lamps burn this week for the following intentions:

By the Tabernacle (Left) - Chrissie Gadsdan—Healing

By the Tabernacle (Right) - Marie Coutinho—Healing

Our Lady's Chapel— Valen Thomas - RIP—Anniversary



PARISH NOTICES

Christmas Day Lunch: As you may be aware, this Parish has, for many years, provided a Christmas Day lunch for people who are on their own or unable to cook a festive dinner. It has always been greatly appreciated by our guests. This year we require a **CHEF/ Cook** for Christmas Day. Much of the preparation is completed on Christmas Eve by our wonderful helpers. If you can help please contact Chandra.gardner@gmail.com or pop into the presbytery and leave your details

Children's Liturgy. This takes place during the gam Mass at OLSG. Children aged 3-9 years are welcome. Those preparing for First Holy Communion this year stay in church for the Mass.

Foundation Catechesis Programme: registration forms 2025-26 (School year 2) are now available in the presbytery. **This is for children who are not in Catholic schools.** Closing date is **30th September 2025.**

New Servers. It is at this time of year that we recruit new servers. We are blessed with such an excellent team of servers and

always happy to add new ones. Those in year 4 and above should attend a meeting in OLSG on Tuesday 23 September at 6.30pm. It will end by 7.45 pm. Servers who have been serving for a year may now begin to apply to join the **Guild of St Stephen.** The training for this will take place in November. Watch this space.

Diocesan Altars Servers Mass— Saturday 4th October at 2.30pm. Mass in Westminster Cathedral. We will be taking a group. Details to follow soon.

St Anne's Open Evening: Will be held on Monday 29th September 2025, from 6pm-8pm. Enfield Campus, 50 London Road, Enfield, EN2 6EL. Please visit www.st-annes.enfield.sch.uk for more information.

Jubilee Year of Hope 2025. First in the series of talks over the autumn—this **Monday 22 September at 7 pm** in the Parish Centre. Tony Sheen & Michael Walsh will discuss the call of Isaiah to 'learn to do good, seek justice and rescue the oppressed.

Youth Group: A Youth Group will be starting soon, for those in year groups 10-13. This will follow the 'Alpha in a Catholic Context' youth series. It will include prayer, a video, faith discussion and social time. More details to follow. Please keep this in your prayers.

Sisters of the Holy Family 150th Anniversary: Mass on Sunday 28th September 2025 at 3pm in OLSG. Refreshments afterwards. Everyone is invited please do come along.

Coffee Mornings at OLSG: The Sunday Café opens at 10-11am. We need some people to join the team. If you could help one Sunday a month please contact Mary Newman (marynewman@btinternet.com) or on 0208 366 3915. There is always a Coffee Morning after the 10 am Mass at OLW. There is also a Coffee morning after 10.30 am Mass. Volunteers to help with this are always welcome. Please email enfieldoutreach@rcdow.org.uk. All welcome, especially newcomers and visitors. All profits go to charity.

Welcomers for Sunday Masses. We would like to recruit more welcomers to assist before and after Masses. Please do get in touch at enfieldoutreach@rcdow.org.uk if you would like to be part of this ministry.

The Power of the Rosary Group: will meet on Wednesdays 24th September at 10.30am in the Challoner room.

Book Club: The 1st meeting is Friday 3rd October 10-11.30am in the Presbytery. The book is JP Delaney "Playing Nice". Email maryvnewman@btinternet.com or phone 0208 366 3915. Everyone welcome.

St Georges Catholic Primary School: The Governors invite applications from parents of children who reach their 4th birthday between 1st September 2025 and 31st August 2026. To book a place at our open afternoon please visit the school website.

Nursery Admissions: from September 2026 for children born between 1st September 2022 and 31st August 2023.

Closing date for all applications is 15th January 2026.

Meeting with the clergy for completion of Certificates of Catholic Practise—Secondary School applications only. The clergy will be available in the Parish Centre on the following days: Saturday 4 October from 3—5 pm and Sunday 5 October from 3—5 pm. Please note this is a different way we are using for this and no individual appointments may be booked.

CAFOD Royal Parks Half Marathon October 12th: Deacon Peter has been training hard and is hoping to beat his previous record. Please visit the Just Giving page to see updates and support <https://www.justgiving.com/page/peter-jones-7>

Parish Jubilee Walk: 'The Westminster Way', Saturday 18th October. The walk is 8 miles and follows the steps of the martyrs and saints. We will catch the 10.23am train from Enfield Town station. We will start at The English Martyrs Church, E1 8BB at 11.30am. Please bring a packed lunch. Please register in the presbytery/email enfieldoutreach@rcdow.org.uk.

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 WRCDT Enfield**; your surname as reference. Please email us to let us know: enfieldgac@rcdow.org.uk

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To watch live-stream (LS): www.catholicenfield.org/live-stream/
LITURGY, CONFESSION & MASS TIMES

Sun 21st Sept +**The Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)+** *Psalter Week 1*
OLSG: Mass 8am, 9am (with Children's Liturgy), 10.30am, 12 noon (LS) 6pm.
OLW: Mass at 11am

Mon 22nd Sept Feria
OLSG: Church cleaning: 9.am Funeral Mass for Jennifer Coyne 12 noon (LS)
HFC: Mass 7.30am and Adoration 4-5pm OLSG :

Tue 23rd Sept St Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest
.OLSG Funeral Mass for Mary Coyne 12 noon (LS).
HFC: Mass 7.30am and Adoration 4-5pm

Wed 24th Sept Our Lady of Walsingham
OLSG: Mass 12 noon (LS).
HFC: Mass 7.30am and Adoration 4-5pm

Thu 25th Sept Feria
OLSG: Funeral Mass for Lily Burton RIP 12noon (LS)
Prayer to the Sacred Heart 3pm-4pm
OLW: 9.30 am Mass

Fri 26th Sept Ss. Cosmas & Damian Martyrs
OLSG: Mass 10am . **OLSG:** Mass 12 noon (LS), OLSG: Bereavement Mass 7pm

Sat 27th Sept St. Vincent De Paul, Priest
OLSG: Mass 9.30am. Adoration and Confessions 10-10.45am Benediction 10.45-am. 1 pm—Nuptial Mass—Emmanuel Chinedu Nwizu and Irina Lavinia Predescu. Adoration and Confessions 5-5.45 pm. Mass 6 pm

Sun 28th Sept + **The Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)+** *Psalter Week 2*
OLSG: Mass 8am, 9am (No Children's Liturgy today), 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.catholicenfield.org/live-stream/

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

OLSG church is open: Monday-Friday 7am-6pm; Saturday-Sunday 7am-7pm. Morning Prayer at 7.05 am—Mon-Wed and 7.30 am Thurs– Sat. All welcome.

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