

Our Lady of Mount Carmel & Saint George

with Our Lady of Walsingham & the English Martyrs, Enfield

Year A

+ The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time+

8th February
2026

A New Archbishop of Westminster

This Saturday afternoon (the feast of Saints Cyril & Methodius, although some may be keener to observe St Valentine) the Diocese of Westminster will celebrate the installation of the new Archbishop, Richard Mot. He is coming to the diocese as Archbishop having served as Bishop of Arundel and Brighton since 2015. Prior to that, he was Catholic Bishop of the Forces from 2009.

Archbishop Richard was ordained priest for the Archdiocese of Southwark on 3rd July 1982 (a year which some of us will remember fondly as the time when Pope St John Paul II visited England and Wales.)

We welcome Archbishop Richard among us in the coming days and pray that he will have a long, happy and fruitful ministry as Archbishop. He is new to the diocese, but I am sure he will soon make his way up to Enfield. A new Archbishop might seem to make little difference to us in the parish, at the local level. We will notice the name of the bishop changes in the Eucharistic Prayer, as we no-

ticed the name of the Pope changed upon the election of Pope Leo XIV. But, besides this, Archbishop Richard leads us and sets the vision for us here in the diocese. We hope and pray that, in the words of this Sunday's psalm (112) he will be 'generous, merciful and righteous' and that "with a firm heart, he trusts in the Lord.'

On our part, we seek to support our new spiritual leader and guide, understanding that we all share with him in being both the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Each of us, bishops, priests, deacons, religious and laity, share in the same work of the kingdom and the mission of the Church. Together, we proclaim Christ, and him crucified, as St Paul conveniently reminds us in the second reading for this Sunday.

We keep the new Archbishop in our prayers at this time. We are assured of his prayers and best wishes at this special time.

*With my prayers and good wishes,
Fr Daniel*

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

All those who are sick, at home or in hospital. Especially this Wednesday, the World Day of Prayer for the Sick. Those who are bereaved. For peace and true justice throughout the world. For Archbishop Richard Moth and his intentions

Those who have died: John Munro, Rudolf Lacquiere, Chris Stegall, Ian Berry, Terry Morris, Kristine Pourgourides, Peter Power, Hemamala Jay, Pauline Mooney and Raisa Kasperaviciute, Raymond Tambini.

Anniversary of death: Hendryk Adamajtys

THE LAMPS IN OUR CHURCHES

The lamps burn this week for the following intentions:

Tabernacle (left): Fr Sean Carroll—RIP

Tabernacle (Right): Mrs Romaldina Fernandes—RIP

Our Lady's Chapel: Marie Coutinho—Healing

St George: Kieran Browne—Healing

Sacred Heart Chapel: Sam Seth—Birthday.



PARISH NOTICES

Archbishop Richard Moth. As noted on the front cover, the new Archbishop begins his ministry in the diocese on Saturday. Parishioners are welcome to attend Vespers at Westminster Cathedral this Friday 13th February at 5.30pm. The new Archbishop will preach at this service. The Installation Mass is on Saturday at 12 noon. Admission to this is by ticket only. It is possible to watch on: www.westminstercathedral.org.uk Because the clergy will be attending this there will be no adoration or confessions on Saturday morning. Confessions as usual on Saturday evening at 5 pm—5.45 pm. Please would penitents remember to arrive in good time for confessions. The priest will have to conclude the confessions at 5.45 pm sharp. The new Archbishop will be visiting the various areas of the diocese over the coming weeks. We are invited to meet him for Mass at 6.30 pm on Wednesday 4th March, at St Paul's Wood Green.

Parent meeting for Confirmation Candidates. This has changed from 15th March to 8th March at 4pm. Please change the date in your diary. It is important for you to be there!

Confirmation Pilgrimage: please return your forms as soon as possible. **Thank you, Fr Axcel.**

Palm Crosses from last year: Please bring in your palms from last year. The palms will be burned and the ashes blessed and distributed at all Masses on Ash Wednesday (18th February).

Lent begins on Wednesday 18 February, Ash Wednesday. Masses at 7.30 am (Convent), 10 am (OLW), 12 noon and 7 pm (sung) at OLSG. Ashes distributed at all Masses.

Special Welcome Coffee Mornings at OLSG this Sunday 8th February: The Parish Social Committee invite all parishioners (and especially those who are new to the parish) to have a coffee

and light refreshments after every Mass this Sunday 8th February. This will be an opportunity to meet fellow parishioners and clergy and to hear about various groups in the parish and find ways in which we can become involved in the life of the parish. There is also a Coffee Morning after the Mass at OLV.

Brass Band Concert with the Potters Bar Town Band. We will welcome this excellent brass band back to OLSG on Saturday 28th February at 7.30 pm for a concert entitled 'From Grace to Glory'. Tickets (£10 including interval refreshments) will be on sale this weekend after all Masses. Please do put this into your social diaries.

Rosary Group: will meet in the Challoner room on 11th and 25th February at 10.30am. All are welcome.

Westminster Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 17th – 24th July 2026. Registration is now open at <https://pilgrimages.rcdow.org.uk/registration-form/> or via the Pilgrimage Office on 0207 798 9173. If you would like to sponsor or fundraise for an Assisted Pilgrim, member of the medical team or volunteer then please also contact the Pilgrimage Office for further details. Please note that this is not run from this parish, contact the above for details.

Manna Society: Many thanks to Our Lady of Mount Carmel's very generous donations of food, books and toiletries. Your donation and ongoing support are vital to our work with some of the most disadvantaged people. Thanks to your generosity, we can continue offering essential services that make a real difference in people's lives. It is good to note that St Andrew's Church, Enfield (Church of England) joined us in supporting the Manna Society last week.

New Readers for Evening Masses: We are looking for new readers to join the rota for

2026. We are especially in need of readers for Saturday and Sunday evening Masses. If you have a clear voice and are able to commit to reading for a whole month at a time, please email enfieldministers@rcdow.org.uk

Quiz Night: Saturday 21st February in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm. Proceeds in aid of the Nightingale Cancer Support Centre. Tables of 6 or 8, £15 per person which includes a Ploughman's supper. Bring your own drink. Contact triciaalder3@aol.com or phone 07930 182870.

We are looking to buy a set of new green vestments – chasuble and dalmatic - for use on many Sundays throughout the Church year. If any parishioner would like to assist with this purchase please contact Fr Daniel, or take an envelope in the church porch. Thank you for your kind donations and offers thus far, there will be an update soon.

Lost Property: these items will be disposed of on Monday 16th February. If you have lost anything in the church please ask at reception.

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

Thank you for your generosity.

To Donate to the Parish or to Gift Aid your Donation please visit our Diocesan website: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/enfield/donate/>. **Payers — please gift aid your donations, at no cost to yourselves. Ask at the Presbytery for a form.**

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

Sun 8th Feb +Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time + Year A *Psalter week 1*
OLSG: Mass 8am, 9am (with Children's liturgy), 10.30am, 12 noon (LS), 6pm.

Mon 9th Feb Feria
OLSG: Church cleaning at 9.30 am: Mass 12 noon (LS)
HFC: Mass 7.30am, Adoration 4-5pm

Tue 10th Feb Saint Scholastica, Virgin
OLSG Mass 12 noon (LS)
HFC: Mass 7.30am and Adoration 4-5pm

Wed 11th Feb Our Lady of Lourdes (World Day of Prayer for the Sick)
OLSG: Funeral Mass for Pauline Mooney RIP at 12 noon (LS)
HFC: Mass 7.30am, Adoration 4- 5pm

Thu 12th Feb Feria
OLSG: Mass 12 noon (LS)
Prayer to the Sacred Heart 3pm-4pm. **HFC:** Adoration 4-5pm
OLW: Mass 9.30am

Fri 13th Feb Feria
OLSG: Mass 10am, Mass 12 noon (LS)
Rosary by the Fountain in Enfield at 7 pm

Sat 14th Feb Saints Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop
OLSG: Mass 9.30am. **NO ADORATION OR CONFESSIONS THIS MORNING**
Adoration and Confessions 5-5.45 pm
Mass (of Sunday) OLSG 6pm

Sun 15th Feb + Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time+ Year A + *Psalter week 2*
OLSG: Mass 8am, 9am (no Children's Liturgy) 10.30am, 12 noon (LS), 6pm.
OLW: Mass at 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/

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 on Thurs, Fri and Sat. All welcome.

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