

Our Lady of Mount Carmel & Saint George

with Our Lady of Walsingham & the English Martyrs, Enfield

Year A

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

26th April

2026

May is the Month of Mary

Vocations Sunday

This weekend we will receive a Pastoral Letter from the Archbishop encouraging vocations. This is an important mission for all of us—not only to promote vocations, but also to pray for them.

We are called to help our young people to see that choosing the Lord is a truly beautiful and fulfilling way of life. God is the one who calls, but the call is often first heard and nurtured at home.

I remember being with a group of children, and one asked me what I wanted to be when I was growing up. I mentioned a few things like a footballer or helping people. Then another child asked, “why be a priest?. Couldn’t you be something else?” I told them that the priesthood is what makes me truly happy. The child wasn’t wrong—just reflecting what they had learned elsewhere. Perhaps that being a priest is not really an option, or that other priorities come first.

And that is the point. If young people only hear that success means money or status, then a vocation may seem strange.

But when faith and prayer are part of family life, responding to God’s call becomes something natural and meaningful.

Marriage, priesthood, and religious life, responding to God’s call becomes something natural and meaningful.

Marriage, priesthood, religious life are all important vocations. Each is a way of living out our life in Christ, and each helps bring faith and hope to a world that needs it so much, now more than ever.

So let us encourage our children and young people. If they sense a calling, support them. Help them to discern God’s will.

Remember, Christ did not call the perfect, but those who are not so perfect, so that his glory can shine through them and others can glorify God through them. And let us always remember that the love of the Good Shepherd continues to call each one of us.

With every blessing, Father Axcel.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

All those who are sick, at home or in hospital. Those who are bereaved. For peace and justice throughout the world. For those receiving their First Holy Communion in the parish in the coming weeks. For Our Holy Father Pope Leo and his intentions.

Those who have died: Sarah Wilson, Helen Westbury, Therese Agwunrobi, Katherine Salami, Thomas Brosnan, Anna Teresa Joyce, Tony Papini and Radha Shridharan.

Anniversary of death: Elias De Souza Gomes and Claude De Souza - 1st anniversaries

THE LAMPS IN OUR CHURCHES

The lamps burn this week for the following intentions:

Tabernacle (Left): Sr Eileen Fitzgerald — RIP

Tabernacle (right): Francisco V Ilano — RIP

Sacred Heart Chapel: Marie Coutinho — Healing

If you wish to book a lamp please contact reception.



PARISH NOTICES

Vocations News. This Sunday is Good Shepherd/Vocation Sunday. Archbishop Richard has prepared a Pastoral Letter on Vocations which will be read at all Masses. We are asked to keep a month of prayer thereafter for vocations. Each Sunday afternoon there will be a Holy Hour of Prayer between 4.30 and 5.30 pm. This will begin next Sunday 3 May and continue each Sunday up to and including Pentecost Sunday. There is a Second Collection this Sunday for the Priests' Training Fund. There are envelopes available for your kind donations and also some leaflets for you to take home for your own prayers. Please pray for all discerning a call to the priesthood and consecrated life.

James Randle's appeal for assistance last weekend met with an excellent response.

As we heard, James is going to the USA to join in the good work of NET ministries. His appeal in the parish last weekend raised £1918. This is typical of Enfield generosity. James writes:

"Thank you so much for your support and kind words after my appeal last weekend, I am incredibly humbled by your generosity. I look forward to talking to you all about the project when I'm back."

Corpus Christi: There will be a 6pm Mass on Thursday 4th June, followed by 40 hours of Eucharistic Adoration. This will conclude with midday Mass on Saturday 6th June. There is a sign-up sheet to ensure that there will always be three people watching Jesus in the Eucharist. If you can commit to an hour of Adoration, please sign up at reception in the Presbytery.

Relics of St Gerard Majella: St Gerard Majella is popularly invoked as the patron of mothers, children and couples trying to conceive. 2026 marks 300 years since his birth. A tour of his relics will visit our parish on Tuesday 5th May. There will be a Mass at 7pm. The relics will be available for private prayer for an hour before Mass, everyone welcome.

First Communion Classes—for children attending non-Catholic schools: Classes

will commence on Monday 11th May at 4.15pm -5pm in the Presbytery. There will be four classes (**but there will be no class on Monday 25th May as this is a Bank Holiday**). Therefore classes will finish on Monday 8th June.

Day Pilgrimage to St Albans: A parish pilgrimage to St Albans is on Saturday 27th June. Please save the date. Travel will be by train, further details to follow.

Daughters of Divine Love—Wood Green: Raffle tickets will be on sale weekend 2nd-3rd May. The money raised will help to empower, support and educate abandoned children and children with special needs in Nigeria and Kenya. The Daughters of Divine Love also provide help for the homeless in London. Please support this worthy cause.

Lay Fraternity of St Charles de Foucauld: next meeting will take place on Tuesday 5th May in the Challoner Room from 10.15 – 11.30am. This month the discussion will be about the resurrection appearances of Jesus. All are welcome.

Young Adults (18-35): are invited to a gathering on Friday 8th May, 7.30-9.30pm, at OLSG. Worship, music speaker & Adoration followed by social.

Youth Summit: Friday 22nd May—Youth Ministry team. The theme is on St Francis of Assisi, as this year is the Jubilee of St Francis marking the 800th year of his death. It is for those in school years 10-13 and will take place here at OLSG. The evening includes games, a talk on the life of St Francis, Adoration and reflections. Confession will be available. Registration is required. Please complete a consent form available at reception or please email enfieldoutreach@rcdow.org.uk.

Stations of the Resurrection Tuesday 19th May: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7-8pm, concluding with Benediction. During the Adoration, the Stations of the Resurrection will be prayed. All are welcome.

Quiz Night Saturday 16th May : OLSG together with the Knights of St Columba are holding a quiz night in aid of Stella Maris and Open Doors UK. Tickets £10 person, tables of up to 8, bring your own food and drink. The quiz will start at 7.30pm and finish around 9.30pm. There will also be a raffle in the interval. Numbers are restricted and tables must be booked in advance. Payment will be taken on the night. To book your table contact Sam or email Samantha@sseth.co.uk.

St Ignatius College football team: are in the final of the LCS on Thursday 30th April at 6.30pm against St Thomas More Catholic School. The game is at Enfield Football Club, Donkey Lane. Please come and support the boys in this local derby.

St John Paul II Football Tournament: The Westminster Youth Ministry is organising a 5A-side football tournament, taking place on Saturday 6th June. The Enfield Deanery is fielding a team and are looking for more participants. The tournament is for men aged between 18-35. For more details please contact youth@rcdow.org.uk and to join the Enfield Team please contact Ryan on 074469 50695.

Food Bank: the monthly collection will be next weekend after all Masses. Only non-perishables as usual, thank you.

Pilgrimage to Paris & Lisieux—19-24 October, led by Fr Daniel. Travel by coach and Eurostar. Booking forms available at the Presbytery.

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 a reference.

Thanks to those at OLW for responding to the Planned Giving Drive in Lent.

THE FOURTH WEEK OF EASTER

Sun 26th Apr + FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER+ World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Year A *Psalter week 4*

OLSG: Mass 8am, 9am (with Children's Liturgy), 10.30am , 12 noon (LS) and 6pm, **OLW:** Mass at 10am

Mon 27th Apr Easter Feria

OLSG: Church cleaning 9.30am,

Funeral Mass for Katherine Salami RIP **11.30am** (LS)

HFC: Mass 7.30 am. Adoration 4-5pm,

Tue 28th Apr Saint Peter Chanel , Priest & Martyr

OLSG: Mass 12 noon (LS)

HFC: Mass 7.30am, Adoration 4-5pm

Wed 29th April Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church, Patron of Europe

OLSG Mass 12 noon (LS),

HFC: Mass 7.30am, Adoration 4- 5pm.

Thu 30th April Saint Pius V, Pope

OLSG: Mass 12 noon (LS)

No Mass at OLW today. **HFC:** Adoration 4-5pm

Fri 1st May Saint Joseph the Worker

OLSG: Funeral Mass for Teresa Joyce RIP 10 am (LS), Mass 12 noon
Holy Hour and Confessions 6pm-7pm

Sat 2nd May St Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

OLSG: Mass 9.30am, Adoration and Confession 10am-10.45am.

First Holy Communion Masses at 1.30 pm & 3.30 pm

Adoration and Confession 5pm-5.45pm. Mass (of Sunday) 6pm

Sun 3rd May + FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER+ Year A *Psalter week 1*

OLSG: Mass 8am, 9am,10.30am , 12 noon (LS),

Holy Hour for Vocations 4.30 -5.30 pm, Mass at 6pm

OLW: Mass at 10am.

OLSG: Our Lady of Mount Carmel & Saint George, 45 London Road

KEY **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 Monday-Friday 7am-6pm; Saturday-Sunday 7am-7pm.

Is open: Morning Prayer at 7.05 on Mon-Weds and 7.30 am Fri-Sat. All welcome.

Mass in Polish For information visit www.parafiaenfield.org