

# Our Lady of Mount Carmel & Saint George

## with Our Lady of Walsingham & the English Martyrs, Enfield

Year A

### The Fifth Sunday of Easter

3rd May 2026

#### May is the Month of Mary

### First Holy Communions

By the time you read this editorial, two of our First Holy Communion Masses will have taken place. There is a third, and final, one next Saturday afternoon. These celebrations are always happy occasions as the children receive Our Lord in the Holy Eucharist for the first time. Please keep these children, and their families, in your prayers at this special time. We also have some First Holy Communions for older children at Sunday Masses this weekend.

Parishioners may have noticed children preparing for their First Holy Communion or Confirmation bringing cards to Mass so that their attendance could be noted. I decided to insist on this because I had been made aware that, in previous years, some were not attending Mass on Sundays and still presenting themselves for the Sacraments. I hope that this policy of proving attendance at Mass during the period of preparation will bear good fruit and that the established practice of

Mass attendance will continue. I encourage the children to ask their parents a simple question each, and every, Saturday morning:

'Which Mass are we attending this Sunday?'

Meanwhile, those of us who received our First Holy Communion some years back will be heartened to see the youngsters continuing to be regular in their attendance at Mass each Sunday. In this way, the parish will grow and we will all be living out our faith in the One who calls us to be 'living stones', people who 'proclaim the excellencies of him who calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light.'

My thanks to the catechists who have given so much of their time and also to the families who have supported the children towards this momentous time.

*With all good wishes, Father Daniel*

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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. Survivors of Sexual Abuse

**Those who have died:** Sarah Wilson, Helen Westbury, Therese Agwunrobi, Thomas Brosnan, Maria Ferreiro, Tony Papini and Radha Shridharan.

**Anniversary of death:** Bill Lane and Paddy Carr

### THE LAMPS IN OUR CHURCHES

**The lamps burn this week for the following intentions:**

Our Lady's Chapel: Albert Barker - RIP

Sacred Heart Chapel: Eufrosina Acosta—RIP

St George: Marie Coutinho — Healing

**If you wish to book a lamp please contact the Presbytery.**



### PARISH NOTICES

**Confirmation Class—Tuesday 5th May at 6 pm in the Parish Centre for all candidates.**

**Meeting for Sponsors and Candidates—Sunday 10th May at 4 pm in OLSG.**

**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.

**Holy Hour for Vocations:** As requested by Archbishop Richard this Sunday between 4.30 and 5.30 pm in OLSG. Theme—Pray for men to be open to God's call to priesthood. There will be a Holy Hour each Sunday afternoon up to and including Pentecost.

**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 this 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. We are doubly blessed in this deanery, because the relics will also visit The Most Precious Blood and St Edmund's, Edmonton on Saturday 16th May at 12 noon.

**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:** Welcome to the Sisters who will be selling raffle tickets will be on sale this weekend. 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 this Tuesday 5th May in the Challoner Room from 10.15–11.30am. 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. Any questions, contact [annamcmullan@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:annamcmullan@rcdow.org.uk)

**Youth Summit: Friday 22nd May—**Youth Ministry team. The theme is on St Francis of Assisi. 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](mailto:enfieldoutreach@rcdow.org.uk).

**Human Rights defenders 2025 update—Kyrgyzstan.** Makhabat Tazhibek-kyzy from Kyrgyzstan was released from detention at the end of March. She will remain at home with her family and child while her case, concerning alleged calls for public disorder is reconsidered. After her release, Makhabat thanked international organisations for their support and said she had received many letters from the UK.

**Sudan Emergency:** This is the 3rd anniversary of the war in Sudan. With your help CAFOD is still there working with the local Catholic Church providing practical support to those in need. Find out more at [cafod.org.uk/standwithsudan](http://cafod.org.uk/standwithsudan)

**Rosary Group:** will meet this Wednesday and Wednesday 20th May 10.30am in the Challoner room.

**Mount Carmel Ladies Group:** will meet this Thursday with a talk from wildlife photographer Robin Claydon, at 12.45pm in the Parish Centre. Usual raffle. All welcome.

**Stations of the Resurrection Tuesday 19th May:** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7-8pm, concluding with Benediction. During 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](mailto:Samantha@sseth.co.uk).

**Next Parish Walk:** Rosary Walk-Saturday 30th May. Please join us for a leisurely walk around Enfield Town Park lasting approximately one hour. We will pray the Rosary as we go. You may like to bring a packed lunch to have at the end. We will depart from the Church entrance at 11.15am. Please register your name at reception, everyone welcome.

**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](mailto:youth@rcdow.org.uk) and to join the Enfield Team please contact Ryan on 074469 50695.

**Food Bank:** the monthly collection will be this 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 from the Presbytery.

## THE FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER

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

**OLSG:** Mass 8am, 9am (with Children's Liturgy), 10.30am, 12 noon (LS),  
Holy Hour for Vocations 4.30 -5.30 pm, Mass 6pm.

**OLW:** Mass at 10am

**Mon 4th May** The English Martyrs

**OLSG:** Church cleaning 9.30am,

Mass 12 noon (LS) Church will close for the rest of the day after Mass.

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

**Tue 5th May** Easter Feria

**OLSG:** Mass 12 noon (LS) Visit of the Relics of St Gerard with Mass at 7pm

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

**Wed 6th May** Easter Feria

**OLSG** Mass 12 noon (LS),

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

**Thu 7th May** Easter Feria

**OLSG:** Funeral Mass for Radha Shridharan 12 noon (LS)

**OLW no Mass today HFC:** Adoration 4-5pm

**Fri 8th May** Easter Feria (Anniversary of the Election of Pope Leo XIV)

**OLSG:** Mass 10 am, Mass 12 noon (LS)

**Sat 9th May** Easter Feria

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

First Holy Communion Mass at 1.30 pm .

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

**Sun 10th May + SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER+ Year A** *Psalter week 2*

**OLSG:** Mass 8am, 9am (with Children's Liturgy), 10.30am, 12 noon (LS),  
Holy Hour for Vocations 4.30 -5.30 pm, Mass at 6pm

**OLW:** Mass at 10am.

### **KEY**

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

**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/](http://www.catholicefield.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 Thur-Sat. All welcome.

**Mass in Polish** For information visit [www.parafiaenfield.org](http://www.parafiaenfield.org)