

Our Lady of Mount Carmel & Saint George with Our Lady of Walsingham & the English Martyrs, Enfield

A parish of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Westminster

Year A

+ Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time +
'And they all ate and were satisfied'

August 2026

August is the month of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Dear Parishioners,

This holiday month of August gives us a little time to take stock and consider our lives in the light of the Holy Spirit. We might well ask for the grace to use our leisure time well, not merely in idleness but in contemplation, prayer and gratitude.

The Gospel reading for the first Sunday of August (Matthew 14:13-21) is the feeding of the five thousand. The context is vital. Jesus has compassion on the great crowd and heals their sick. The Eucharist (of which this banquet in the wilderness is a foreshadowing) is a gift which displays the divine compassion and which brings healing and salvation.

Each time we attend Mass, and receive the wonderful gift of Holy Communion, we are being asked to believe and trust in its healing and transformative power.

At the same time, notice how the Lord involves his disciples in the preparations for the miracle and in the distribution of its fruits.

This, again, is far from incidental. We are

active participants in the celebration of Mass. Yes, many of us will read, serve, sing and act as Extraordinary Ministers, but for each one of us there is a role to play. The role is that of a faithful, believing disciple who witnesses the miracle once more—the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. This leads me to remind each of us about due respect for, and devotion towards, the Blessed Sacrament. When we enter church what is our first action? Our attention is to be solely on the tabernacle and on the Lord who dwells in that place. And when we prepare for Mass, do we pray for the right and proper disposition? When we receive Our Lord in Holy Communion, are we recollected and conscious of what we are about to be given? And the manner in which we receive indicates our attitude and mind set. Please say 'Amen' when the minister presents the Body of Christ. Please consume with devotion, respect and in the sight of the minister. All of this indicates our great love for the Blessed Sacrament. *Fr Daniel*

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

All those who are suffering in body, mind and spirit. For those travelling at this time and those on holiday. For all affected by natural disasters—fire and earthquake—at this time.

Those who have died: Leslie Geary, Nora Goonan, Kathleen Bougnague, Nestor Narabal, Elizabeth Voisey, Aidan Harris, Allan Ernest.

Anniversary: Cristina and Antonio Argenza

THE LAMPS IN OUR CHURCHES

The lamps burn the week of 2nd August for the following intentions:

By the Tabernacle (left) - Katie Lee O'Shea—Thanksgiving/Safe Travel

By the Tabernacle (right) - Sharon O'Shea—Intentions

At Our Lady's Chapel—Adrian Richards—For success

Sacred Heart Chapel—Sheilagh Walsh—RIP

St George—Marie Coutinho—Healing

The lamps burn the week of 9th August for the following intentions:

By the Tabernacle (left) - Marie Coutinho—Healing

By the Tabernacle (right) - Telles Family—Thanksgiving

At Our Lady's Chapel—Sharon O'Shea—Birthday

Sacred Heart Chapel—Marina R Balino - RIP

St George —Emiliana Rafanan—RIP

Tabernacle OLW—Telles Family—Thanksgiving

The lamps burn the week of 16th August for the following intentions:

By the Tabernacle (left) - Special Intentions

By the Tabernacle (right) - Marie Coutinho—healing

At Our Lady's Chapel—Daniel—Intentions

Sacred Heart Chapel—Carmel & John Mackey—Intentions

St George—Pat Keaveney—RIP 1st Anniversary

The lamps burn the week of 23rd August for the following intentions:

By the Tabernacle (left) - Malcolm Menezes—Healing

By the Tabernacle (right) - Mark Menezes—Birthday

At Our Lady's Chapel—Elisa Faccini—RIP—5th Anniversary

Sacred Heart Chapel—Marie Coutinho—Healing

St George—Special Intentions



PARISH NOTICES

This Parish Newsletter: is available online. To subscribe, please click on the catholickenfield.org home page. Next issue is Sunday 30th August. Any important notices

not known at this time will be included in the notices read out at Sunday Masses.

A warm Enfield welcome to clergy assisting whilst the parish clergy take some holiday. Fr Dominiyan TOR is with us for the month. We also welcome Fr Vincent Nsumba to celebrate Mass on

Tuesday 4th August. On the weekend of 8/9th August, Fr David Burke will be with us. At the end of the month we will welcome Fr John Casey. We thank these priests for their kind assistance at this time. In addition, the parish clergy will be assisting with Masses in the Polish Mission and also in Cuffley Parish.

Best wishes and prayers for all those travelling at this time. Do please remember to attend Sunday Mass whilst you are away. The clergy are interested in seeing newsletters from other parishes and countries, so do bring one back with you. Welcome to any who are holidaying on the Costa del Enfield, it is good to have you with us at Mass.

Tuesday 4th August at 7 pm—the third and final one of Fr Axcel's sessions on 'Living the Faith after RCIA.' In the Challoner Room—all welcome. Entry via the Presbytery.

Thursday August 13th—Rosary at the Fountain in Enfield Town at 7 pm, as usual.

The Little Sisters of the Poor will make an appeal here in the parish on the weekend of 15/16th August. As usual, they will receive a warm and generous welcome.

Change from previous newsletter. There will be a Coffee Morning after the 10.30 am Mass at OLSG on each Sunday during August, except the 9th. This is by popular demand.

First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion Registration Forms 2026/2027: Closing date: Friday 4th September 2026.

Confirmation Certificates: for the young people who were unable to attend the Mass last week,. You may now collect your Confirmation certificates from the Presbytery during opening hours.

Food Bank: this collection will be taken this weekend 1st/2nd August, non-perishable foods only please. Thank you. Volunteers are needed to help with the sorting out of the donations.

Bereavement Mass: As usual on the last Friday of the month in OLSG—Friday 28th August at 7 pm, followed by social time together. This Mass is always offered for the Holy Souls but it also provides an opportunity to pray with, and support, the bereaved.

Rosary Group: are taking a summer break and will resume in September.

Twin: the next meeting is Wednesday 5th August at 2pm, in the St John Southworth room. All welcome for distribution to 4/5 charities in Africa and Asia of funds including £773.08 a gift aid repayment from HMRC.

Wedding coming up. Please remember Jason Beeharry and Reshma Beersingh in your prayers. They will be married in OLSG on Saturday 8th August.

Sick calls. Please do contact the Presbytery to ask for visits from the clergy to sick and housebound parishioners.

Volunteering in the parish. There are many ways in which you can offer your services and help the parish. Please do reveal your hidden gifts and help us build up our common life in this place.

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

Gift Aid Income Tax Reclaim. We will shortly be submitting a claim for repayment of income tax in respect of contributions made by parishioners who have Gift Aids. The claim is in respect to the tax year 06/04/24 to 05/04/25. If you have ceased to be a tax payer, please email the parish Gift Aid Coordinator enfieldgac@rcdow.org.uk

To watch live-stream (LS): www.catholickenfield.org/live-stream/

AUGUST 2026 - CONFESSION & MASS TIMES

Sunday OLSG: Mass 8am, 9am, 10.30am, 12 noon (LS) 6pm.

OLW: Mass at 10 am

Monday OLSG: Church cleaning 9.30am, Mass 12noon (LS)

HFC: Mass 7.30am.

Tuesday OLSG: Mass 12 noon (LS)

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Thursday OLSG: Mass 12 noon (LS),
Devotions to the Sacred Heart—12.45pm.

Friday OLSG: Mass 12 noon (LS)

Saturday OLSG: 9.30am. Adoration and Confessions 10-10.45am
Benediction 10.45-am. Adoration and Confessions 5-5.45pm.

Mass (of Sunday) 6 pm

Please note that the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is transferred to Sunday 16th August this year.

Masses at the usual Sunday times.

Key to the codes **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.catholickenfield.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 am—Mon— Weds and 7.30 am Thurs -Sat.

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