



# NEWSLETTER



Catholic Church of Mary Immaculate and St Gregory the Great

## 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Week 4

### THIS WEEK



#### **Sun 6th 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**6pm\*:** Liane Espiloy+

**8.30am:** Walter & Kathryn Vassallo+

**10.30am:** Matthew Hegarty (ints)

**6.00pm:** Sheila Magee (ints)

#### **Mon 7th St Willibrord**

**6pm:** Anton & Jadwiga Konigsmann+

#### **Tue 8th**

**9.30am:** Morning Prayer

**10.00am:** Tom & Mary Lloyd+

#### **Wed 9th No Mass**

#### **Thurs 10th St Leo the Great**

**10.00am:** Kathleen Jennings +

**10.30am:** Coffee Morning (JP Room)

#### **Friday 11th St Martin of Tours**

**9.30am:** Morning Prayer (Church)

**10.00am:** All Souls

**2.00pm:** Christian Meditation (Church)

**6.00pm:** Adoration

#### **Sat 12th St Josaphat**

**6pm\*:** Virginia Corsini (ann+)

#### **Sun 13th 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8.30am:** Robert Ansara+

**10.30am:** Adam Panczak+

**3.00pm:** Blessing of Graves at Bells Hill Cemetery

**6.00pm:** Jan Agilada+

### THE PROMISE OF PARADISE

*But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed, in the passage about the bush, where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is not God of the dead, but of the living; for all are alive to him.*

In Exodus 3:6, when God manifests his presence to Moses in the burning bush, the Lord tells him that he is the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. He shows that the patriarchs who died hundreds of years previously were still alive in God. The teaching of Jesus tells us that God is a living God of a living people. God was the friend of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob when they lived. That friendship could not cease with death. As Psalm 73:23-24 states: "I am continually with you; you hold my right hand.

You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will receive me to glory."

The ultimate proof of the resurrection is the Lord Jesus Christ and his victory over death when he rose from the tomb. Before Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead, he exclaimed: "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" (John 11:25). Jesus asks us the same question this weekend -

Do you believe in the resurrection and in the promise of eternal life with God?

The Holy Spirit reveals to us the eternal truths of God's enduring love and the abundant life he desires to share with us for all eternity. Paul the Apostle, quoting from the prophet Isaiah states: "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him," God has revealed to us through the Spirit. The promise of Paradise - heavenly bliss and unending life with an all-loving God - is beyond human reckoning and we have only begun to taste the first-fruits.

**Fr John**

**Quote from the Early Church Fathers:** Jesus cites Moses to affirm the resurrection, by Cyril of Alexandria (376-444 AD) "The Saviour also demonstrated the great ignorance of the Sadducees by bringing forward their own leader Moses, who was clearly acquainted with the resurrection of the dead. He set God before us saying in the bush, 'I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob' (Exodus 3:6). Of whom is he God, if, according to their argument, these have ceased to live? He is the God of the living. They certainly will rise when his almighty right hand brings them and all that are on the earth there. For people not to believe that this will happen is worthy perhaps of the ignorance of the Sadducees, but it is altogether unworthy of those who love Christ. We believe in him who says, 'I am the resurrection and the life' (John 11:25). He will raise the dead suddenly, in the twinkling of an eye, and at the last trumpet. It shall sound, the dead in Christ shall rise incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For Christ our common Saviour will transfer us into incorruption, glory and to an incorruptible life." Meditations may be freely reprinted for non-commercial use - please cite: copyright © 2022 Servants of the Word, source: [dailyscripture.net](http://dailyscripture.net), author [Don Schwager](http://Don Schwager).

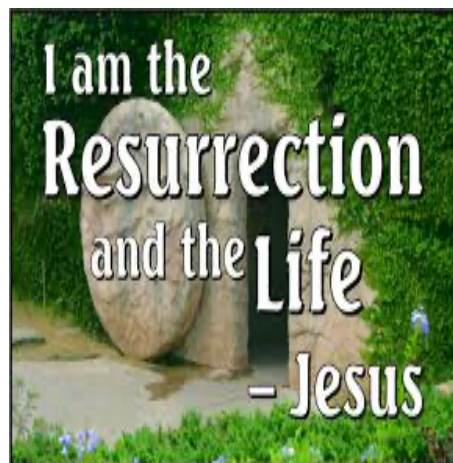
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# NOTICES

## WELCOME

### PARISH FUNDRAISING EVENT

MARY IMMACULATE & ST GREGORY THE GREAT  
**ART DECO ORCHESTRA**  
Saturday 19th November 2022  
In aid of the Parish building fund

shall we dance? Check to Check Waiting in a Prison I've got you Under my skin

- Live Music
- Licensed Bar
- Kaffe Prawn

Tickets **£20**  
(No tickets sold at the gate!)  
INCLUDING Light Supper and a Complimentary Drink

7.00pm for 7.30pm Start at  
EWEN HALL  
Wood Street, Barnet, EN5 4BW

For more information contact:  
[barnet@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:barnet@rcdow.org.uk)  
0208 449 3338

### Saturday RE Classes

Classes for children at non-Catholic primary schools are welcome to come and learn about their Catholic Faith. During the sessions we pray together, we talk, sing songs and make new friends.

**Venue:** The JP Room

**Time:** From 9.30am to 10.45am

**Dates:** November: 19th  
December: 3rd & 18th



### Alpha Course

"explore life faith meaning"  
7.30pm on Mondays

**Next Session:** 7th November 2022  
in the Parish Hall

### St Catherine's Catholic Primary School Vale Drive

Prospective parents are warmly welcomed to attend our school tours for Reception entry September 2023. Tour dates are:

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Nov 1.45pm, Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Nov 6pm  
(all approx 1 hour).

Should you wish to attend, please contact the school office:  
0208440 4946 or email:

[admissions@stcatherines.barnetmail.net](mailto:admissions@stcatherines.barnetmail.net)

### Gathering/Communion Songs

**Gathering:** Act Justly, love tenderly, walk, walk humbly with your God.  
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**Communion:** Neither death, nor life, nor angels nor rulers, not trials in the present, nor any trials to come, neither height nor depth, nor all of creation, can ever separate us from the love of God pure out in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## FAMILIES TOGETHER



Please join us for our Families Together afternoon of prayer, activities, and refreshments in Church on **Monday 7th November at 3.45pm**, for more details email [anitahammond@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:anitahammond@rcdow.org.uk)

### Parents and Toddlers Group

Kindly note that on Tuesday the 8th November there will be NO Parents and Toddlers Group. We resume on 15th November 2022.

### Funeral Mass

The Requiem Mass for Mary Harris will take place on Friday 18th November at 10am. Please pray for her reposed soul, family and friends.

### FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Please remember in your prayers the Sick and Homebound including:

Sinead Mayes, Monica Thompson, Rosemary Chester, Paul Reed, Marian Darby, Ken Quigley, Mary Geraghty, Edel O'Sullivan, Linda Quilter, Sean Kelly, Emanuele & Carlotta Brunelli, Stuart Atkinson, Pat Cosgrove, Bernadette Hunt, Roberto Lusignani, Elaine Brennan, Mark O'Brien, Rita Rawlings, Joe Connolly, Eric Power, Michael Keyes, Eileen Robbins, John Chuter, Margaret Greaney, Veronica Soosay, John Thompson, Lucretia Olivier-Hall, David John Hall, Paul and Nicola Dempsey,  
**Recently Deceased:** Monica Watson and Mary Harris

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