



PRAYING TOGETHER FOR THE CHURCH, THE WORLD, THE PARISH & ONE ANOTHER

Due to the new legislation on Data Protection Legislation (GDPR) each person who has their name on the newsletter (as in the sick list below) must give their consent to their names appearing. So once again we start a new list. If you would like your name or the name of someone who is sick who needs our prayers then you must supply the office with:
1. The name and, 2. Evidence of their or your consent.

SICK & HOUSEBOUND: Michael Dempsey, Michael Fahey, Michael Griffin, Anne Hull, Gillian Gibbs.

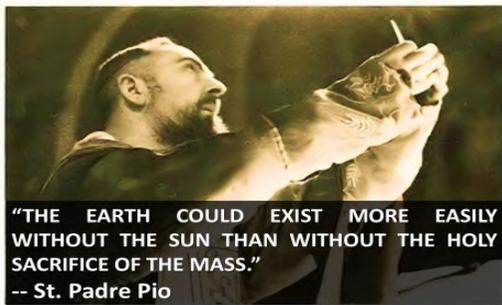
RECENTLY DEPARTED:

RECENTLY BAPTISED: Aimee Wheeler, Evie Mylles, Grace Biggerstaff.

ANNIVERSARIES OF THE DEPARTED: Sherwin Sequeira, Michael Haugh, Tom Haugh, Jerry Ryan, Caltherine Calnan, Francisco Barretto, Margherita Freely, Teresa Frances, Jim Ruane.

INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS FOR OCTOBER

Evangelization – The Mission of Religious
That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalized, and those who have no voice.



**"THE EARTH COULD EXIST MORE EASILY WITHOUT THE SUN THAN WITHOUT THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS."
-- St. Padre Pio**

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PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

O blessed rosary of Mary, sweet chain which unites us to God, bond of love which unites us to the angels, tower of salvation against the assaults of hell, safe port in our universal shipwreck, we will never abandon you. You will be our comfort in the hour of death; yours our final kiss as life ebbs away. And the last word from our lips will be your sweet name, O Queen of the Rosary, O dearest Mother, O Refuge of Sinners, O Sovereign Consoler of the Afflicted. May you be everywhere blessed, today and always, on earth and in heaven. Amen.

SANCTUARY LAMP

HAS BEEN SPONSORED THIS WEEK
IN MEMORY OF
PATRICK & ELLEN DUFFY RIP

**LAMP AT THE ALTAR OF
OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM**
has been sponsored this week
For Private Intentions

ROSARY AT HOME: This week the statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be at the home of Mrs. David.



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off or to silent**



Sunday cycle
Readings Year B

Weekday Readings
Year 27, Week 2

Divine Office
Week 3

**The Catholic Parish
of St George, Sudbury**



Sunday 7th October 2018

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Welcome to all at Mass today, especially to any visitors and particularly those who are here for the first time. Please take this sheet home with you which will tell you about this week's celebration and the activities during the week and also to remind you of our Liturgy today.

TODAY'S MASS



The Pharisees question Jesus about the lawfulness of divorce. Under specific conditions, divorce was an accepted practice among the Jewish people during the time of Jesus. In reply, Jesus quotes from the Book of Genesis and counters that God's original intention was that men and women would become one flesh in marriage. At first glance, the first and second part of today's Gospel seem unconnected. When read together, however, these passages present a strong picture of

Jesus' emphasis on the importance of family. God intended for women and men to be joined together in marriage. Among the purposes of marriage is the raising of children. By welcoming children and fostering their relationship with God, parents and families bear witness to the Kingdom of God.

First Reading: Genesis 2:18-24

God creates woman from Adam's rib.

Second Reading: Hebrews 2:9-11

Christ was made perfect through suffering so that we might all be consecrated.

Gospel Reading: Mark 10:2-16

Jesus teaches against divorce and welcomes the children.

SPIRITUAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"If I can give you any advice, I beg you to get closer to the Eucharist and to Jesus...We must pray to Jesus to give us that tenderness of the Eucharist"

S. Teresa of Calcutta

Sunday Reflection

What is God's intention for our state in life, whether married or single? Today in the Gospel Jesus deals with the issue of divorce by taking his hearers back to the beginning of creation and to God's plan for the human race. In Genesis 2:23-24 we see God's intention and ideal that two people who marry should become so indissolubly one that they are one flesh. That ideal is found in the unbreakable union of Adam and Eve. They were created for each other and for no one else. They are the pattern and symbol for all who were to come. Jesus explains that Moses permitted divorce as a concession in view of a lost ideal. Jesus sets the high ideal of the married state before those who are willing to accept his commands. Jesus, likewise sets the high ideal for those who freely renounce marriage for the sake of the kingdom of heaven (Matthew 19:11-12). Both marriage and celibacy are calls from God to live a consecrated life, that is to live as married couples or as singles who belong not to themselves but to God. Our lives are not our own, but they belong to



God. He gives the grace and power to those who seek to follow his way of holiness in their state of life. Each of us in our paths of discipleship are called to seek the Lord and his grace in our state of life.

In the second half of the gospel the parents who brought their children to Jesus wanted Jesus to lay his hands upon them. They knew of the healing power, both physical and spiritual, which came from Jesus' touch. Jesus, in turn, rebuked his disciples for hindering the children from coming. No doubt the disciples wanted to shield Jesus from the nuisance of noisy children. But Jesus delighted in the children and demonstrated that God's love has ample room for everyone. No one is unimportant to God. He comes to each person individually that he might touch them with his healing love and power. May we never hinder our youth from coming to the Lord to receive his blessing and healing power. And as we grow with age, may we never lose that child-like simplicity and humility which draws us into Christ's loving presence.

HOLY BAPTISM: Information packs are available from the parish office. You can sign up there for the preparation evening. Parents to be, i.e. before birth, are welcome to attend. The next baptism preparation morning will be on **Saturday 27th October at 10.30am.**

'ROSARY AT HOME' Would you like to be part of our parish prayer chain? If so, you will receive a statue of Our Lady of Fatima to display for a week (Monday to Friday) in your home. You will also undertake to pray the Rosary at home, each day during the week, for the intentions of the parish, the Church and the world. This revives a very old tradition in the parish; in fact, the statue's casing was made by the second parish priest of St George's, Father Purney. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church if you would like to participate. We will put together a rota, which will be ongoing throughout the year, beginning in October.

OCTOBER is the month DEDICATED TO THE HOLY ROSARY. The rosary will be said in church Monday—Friday from 7.30pm. There's a list at the back to sign up to lead. On Saturday 6th October the rosary after morning Mass will incorporate the **'First Five Saturdays'** prayers. This is an initiative of the **World Apostolate of Fatima**. Leaflets will be available explaining this devotion. The prayers will be recited on subsequent first Saturdays of the month.

FILM NIGHT: Our next film night will be next Friday 12th October when we will show 'The Shoes of the Fisherman'. Starring Anthony Quinn and John Gielgud, it tells the story of a Russian bishop who is elected pope after years of exile in Siberia, and how he becomes embroiled in dramatic global events. It is described by a critic on the *Rotten Tomatoes* website as '...an entirely enjoyable epic which takes you on a journey that is in many ways every bit as relevant today as it was in the 1960s'. We will begin with refreshments at 6.30, and the film will begin at 7.00pm.

CHURCH CLEANING- Might you consider helping to clean the Church on a monthly basis. If so, please contact Julia on 0208 904 5324.

PARISH DIARIES FOR 2019 are available now. 50p each.

MUMS & TODDLERS - The Parish is hoping, once again, to start a Mums & Toddlers group in the New Year. Rosie Long has generously offered to help with the practicalities of getting a future group started. If you are also interested in helping please contact Rosie at longrosaleen@yahoo.co.uk

KEEP FIT: Come and join us in the Parish Centre 2.00-3.00pm on Monday afternoons. Gentle exercise (no special kit needed!). All Welcome.

OVER 60'S CLUB DIARY DATES:

Tuesday 16th October: There will be a talk and slides of the Holy Land by Lorraine Maguire. All over 60's welcome.

Tuesday 30th October: Why not come and join us at a Ploughman's Lunch—£3 each—at 1pm in the parish centre. All over 60's welcome.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING: A very BIG THANK YOU to all who came, gave generous donations and worked so hard on the day. £2,152 was raised—all raffle prizes claimed.

ANY OLD STAMPS? There is a basket at the back of the church for old/used stamps. These will go towards the mission of the Church in Tanzania/Kenya. Thanks to those who have already contributed.

REFUGEES: WHERE TO START? A PARISH RESPONSE — Thursday 11th October. Join us for an evening of practical advice on understanding the nature and challenges of the refugee crisis and how parishes, groups and individuals can play their part in alleviating 'the wounds of refugees' (Pope Francis). Bishop Paul McAleenan will be leading the event, and will be joined by other organisations including the Jesuit Refugee Service, Enfield Welcome Group, Notre Dame Refugee Service and the Haringey Migrant Support Centre, as well as many others. The event will be held on **Thursday 11th October, 7-9pm, at Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, SW1P 1QN.** Tea and coffee will be available from 6.30pm. Please RSVP to caritaswestminster@rcdow.org.uk, or call on 0207 798 9030. Alternatively, you can register your attendance on Eventbrite, by searching for 'A Parish Response to Refugees: Where to Start?'

EASY SPANISH CLUB held on Saturday mornings in the Youth Centre from 10.00am now includes KS2 children. If you would like to put your child's name on the waiting list please contact Margarita or Judy on 07704174609 or email easypeasy_spanishclub@yahoo.com.

K-KWON-DO classes in the Parish Centre. Excellent discipline and confidence. Every Wednesday 7-8pm. First class free. Contact: Bushra Khosla 07843053076.

WHITE/YELLOW FOLDER INFORMATION FOR THE FOLLOWING: (See in church porch)

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE helps separated, divorced or widowed Catholics.

SMART LOVING SEMINAR for married couples.

CATHOLIC SINGLES information

RETRouvaille—a lifeline for married couples.

WIDOWED YOUNG—support events.

CALIX CENTRE—A Catholic ministry to addicts.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION COURSES.

MARRIAGE/ENGAGED ENCOUNTER: www.wmme.org.uk

SCHOOL OPEN EVENINGS: Cardinal Vaughan Memorial School, St. Gregory's Catholic Science College, Sacred Heart Language College, Gumley House, Salvatorian College, St. Charles Sixth Form College. Further information on their websites and in the folder in porch.

DIOCESAN VACANCIES please see folder in porch or diocesan website.

FOLDERS in the church porch: look for pilgrimages & retreats, job opportunities, schools & colleges information.

NEWS & VIEWS

NEW TO THE PARISH? if you are, please know you are very welcome. Please fill in one of the new parishioners forms at the back of church and we'll get back to you.

PLEASE LEAVE THE PEW NEAT AND TIDY AS YOU DEPART CHURCH TODAY.

This is especially true if you have children using their work-sheets. Please make sure they (or you) bring all the crayons back to the basket)

PARISH DIARY FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 7 October:

Teas/Coffees after 9.45am and 11.15am Masses.

Tuck Shop after 9.45am Mass

Monday 8 October:

Keep Fit 2.00pm

Tuesday 9 October:

Over 60's Club 1.00pm

First Holy Communion 7.30pm

Set/Ceilidh Dancing 8.45pm

Wednesday 10 October:

Knights of St. Columba 8.00pm

Thursday 11 October:

Church Cleaning Group A 7.00pm

Friday 12 October:

Art Class 2.00pm

Friends of Jesus 5.30pm

Film Night 6.30pm

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY Last Friday was Family Fast Day, please return your CAFOD envelope this weekend, with your donation and contribute to the second collection which will take place at all Masses this weekend. CAFOD works with poor communities overseas on our behalf, helping them to tackle poverty and injustice. REMEMBER if you are a Tax Payer you can GIFT AID your contribution by completing the gift aid portion on the envelope. Thank you so much for your continued support and generosity.

RCIA - Are you interested in becoming a Catholic, or learning more about the Catholic faith? If so we would like to invite you to join our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) programme which will run from the autumn until Easter. The programme consists of teaching and discussion in a welcoming and friendly small-group setting and will begin at the end of October. Please let Fr Tony know if you would like to sign up or if you want further details.

SANCTUARY REORDERING: If you were not here last week please take a leaflet (in a basket in the porch) outlining proposals for the new project for reordering. Thank you to all those who have so positively responded with comments.

CHURCH LAMPS: If you would like to sponsor the blessed sacrament lamp or the lamp by the altar of Our Lady of Walsingham with a particular intention, the cost is £10 for the week. Please see Toni in the Parish Office.

FRIENDS OF JESUS - The Friends of Jesus Programme takes place on Fridays from **5.30-6.30pm** providing a little **Religious Education** to children of primary-school age who are not attending a Catholic school and have not yet received their First Holy Communion. An information leaflet is available in the porch.

ADULT READERS WORKSHOP - We are delighted that our Catechetical Advisor, Mary Crowley (Diocese of Westminster), is coming to lead the next session for Adults Readers at St. George's on **Saturday 13th October** (Practice) from **10.30am to 12pm**. All those who currently read, or who would like to read in the future. are welcome to attend.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION—This week's FHC Session **begins in the Hall at 7.30pm**. At the beginning of the Session the children will be introduced to their Catechists and will be assigned their group. Parents & Carers are asked to accompany their children to their group.

DATA PROTECTION—Our Parish Welcome Pack includes the names and contact details of a number of parishioners who take care of various ministries at the Parish. In the light of recent legislation we are required to ask those whose details are printed in the Welcome Pack if they remain happy for us to include them in the future. if you would like us to delete your contact details from the Welcome Pack please just let us know. Thank you.

SEARCHING FOR CONFIRMATION CATECHISTS—Might you consider giving a few months to help our young people grow in their faith as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation? If you might consider serving the Parish in this way please let us know. Next year's Programme will run from January to June 2019.

MASS INTENTIONS are booked until February 2019. Remember to book your anniversary Masses early.

LOOKING AHEAD TO NOVEMBER:

FRIDAY 2nd NOVEMBER 2018: ALL SOULS DAY Mass at 9.30am

THURSDAY 8th NOVEMBER 2018: BETHANY MASS for all who have been recently bereaved at 7.30pm.

SATURDAY 10th NOVEMBER 2018: 12 noon Cemetery Blessings at Alperton Cemetery.

SUNDAY 11th NOVEMBER 2018: Remembrance Sunday Solemn Requiem Mass at 11.15am.

THURSDAY 22nd NOVEMBER 2018: BETHANY LUNCH at 1.00pm in the Café/Bar.

Masses for all the Faithful Departed will be celebrated throughout the whole of November

PRIMARY SCHOOL SIGNING: Thursday 22nd November 6.00-8.00pm in the Parish Centre. Forms are available from St George's School now and must be returned by 15th January. NB: for those who have to state the Deanery in which St George's exists it is now the 'Harrow Deanery.'

discovering Christ

CURIOUS ABOUT THE MEANING OF YOUR LIFE?

Seek answers at **Discovering Christ**, starting at St George's in January.

Discovering Christ is a seven-week experience where anyone and everyone, from the baptised in the pews to the unbaptised, is invited to hear the Good News and personally encounter Jesus Christ. Discovering Christ helps people enter into or renew a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, experience the love of God the Father, and be empowered by the Holy Spirit to live as God's children.

A typical session will include:

- ◆ A great (free) dinner
- ◆ An engaging Bible-inspired message
- ◆ Discussion and conversation about the message.

Discovering Christ is part of our programme for spiritual renewal here at St George's, and we hope that a great many of our parishioners will attend. It would also be fantastic if people who are not members of our parish might come along and encounter Jesus for the first time. Please have a think about who you could invite!

We also need your help to make this experience a success. Please contact Fr Tony if you would like to join our team of Discovering Christ volunteers. *We especially need people to help prepare the dinners we hope to offer our guests.* Thank you.

Please keep an eye on our newsletter and noticeboards over the coming weeks, as we make more information about Discovering Christ available.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY MASS: 6.15pm (Saturday Vigil), 8.30am, 9.45am (Family) & 11.15am (Solemn), 5.30pm.
WEEKDAY MASS: Monday – Saturday 9.30am.
HOLIDAYS OF OBLIGATION: 9.30am, 8.00pm.
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Saturday 5.15-6.00pm.
CONFESSIONS: Saturday 5.15pm - 6.00pm. *and any time by appointment.*

DIVINE MERCY: Tuesday 10.30am.

ROSARY: Daily after Mass.

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| <i>Sun 7 October</i> | 27th OF THE YEAR |
| 6.15pm (<i>Sat. Vigil</i>) | Michael & Tom Haugh |
| 8.30am | Catherine Calnan RIP |
| 9.45am | Sacred Heart of Jesus |
| 11.15am | Jerry Ryan RIP |
| 5.30pm | PRO POPULO |

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| Mon 8 October | feria |
| 9.30am | Jack Lumsden RIP |

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| Tues 9 October | Bl. John Henry Newman |
| 9.30am | Catherine Calnan RIP |

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| Weds 10 October | feria |
| 9.30am | Wally & Dorothy Watts RIP |
| | Marita & Robbie Ledo RIP |
| | Hermosinda Toucedo RIP |

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| Thurs 11 October | S. John XXIII |
| 9.30am | 1. Francisco Barretto RIP |
| | 2. Max Perera RIP |

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| Fri 12 October | feria |
| 9.30am | Sherwin Sequeira RIP |

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| Sat 13 October | S. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR |
| 9.30am | Bonifacia P. Milan RIP |
| 2.00pm | MARRIAGE of Barney Simpson & Grace Edwards |

TODAY'S MASS

Entrance Antiphon: Cf. Est 4: 17

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

Collect

Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

First reading: Genesis 2:18-24

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them; each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the

man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed:

'This at last is bone from my bones, and flesh from my flesh!

This is to be called woman, for this was taken from man.'

This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

The word of Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 127:1-5

R/. May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.

1. O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!

By the labour of your hands you shall eat.

You will be happy and prosper. **R/.**

2. Your wife like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. **R/.**

3. Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord.

May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life!

May you see your children's children. On Israel, peace! **R/.**

Second reading: Hebrews 2:9-11

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's

grace he had to experience death for all mankind.

As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers.

The word of Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation: Jn17:17

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your word is truth, O Lord: consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 10:2-16

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this,

and he said to them, 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.'

People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' Then he put his arms round them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing.

Prayer over the Offerings

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the sacrifices instituted by your commands and, through the sacred mysteries, which we celebrate with dutiful service, graciously complete the sanctifying work by which you are pleased to redeem us. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon: Lam 3: 25

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

Prayer after Communion

Grant us, almighty God, that we may be refreshed and nourished by the Sacrament which we have received, so as to be transformed into what we consume. Through Christ our Lord.