

SUNDAY READINGS & PRAYERS

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 17 (16): 6, 8

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

Collect

Almighty ever-living God, grant that we may always conform our will to yours and serve your majesty in sincerity of heart. 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: Exodus 17:8-13

The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand. Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the advantage went to Amalek. But Moses arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him and on this he sat, Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm till sunset. With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 120

R/. Our help is in the name of the Lord # who has made heaven and earth.

1. I lift up my eyes to the mountains; from where shall come my help? My help shall come from the Lord who made heaven and earth. *R/.*

2. May he never allow you to stumble! Let him sleep not, your guard. No, he sleeps not nor slumbers, Israel's guard. *R/.*

3. The Lord is your guard and your shade; at your right side he stands. By day the sun shall not smite you nor the moon in the night. *R/.*

4. The Lord will guard you from evil, he will guard you soul. The Lord will guard your going and coming both now and for ever. *R/.*

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:2

You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how, ever since you were a

child, you have known the holy scriptures - from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work.

Before God and before Christ Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience - but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town' he said 'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death." '

And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'

Prayer over the Offerings

Grant us, Lord, we pray, a sincere respect for your gifts, that, through the purifying action of your grace, we may be cleansed by the very mysteries we serve. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon Cf. Ps 33 (32): 18-19

Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

Prayer after Communion

Grant, O Lord, we pray, that, benefiting from participation in heavenly things, we may be helped by what you give in this present age and prepared for the gifts that are eternal. Through Christ our Lord.

ST. GEORGE'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, SUDBURY

Sunday 16th October 2022

THE TWENTY NINTH OF THE YEAR

Welcome to all at mass today and especially anyone who is new. Please take this Newsletter home with you. You may wish to share it with family and friends. This newsletter can also be found via our website. We ask God's blessing on you and your loved ones this week and know that we pray for you all each day.

Sunday Cycle
Readings Year C

Weekday Readings
Ordinary Time week 29
Year 2

Divine Office
Week 1

For children,
download a weekly sheet:
<http://www.sdc.me.uk/sundayliturgy/>

THIS WEEK

Sun 16 Oct
6.15pm
8.30am
9.45am
11.15am
5.30pm

29th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
Spencer Coomarewel RIP
Lily McCarrick RIP
Baptiste Fernandes Ints.
Frank Hunt RIP
THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Mon 17 Oct
9.30am

S. Ignatius of Antioch
Philomena McCotter RIP

Tues 18 Oct
9.30am

S. LUKE
Alfonso Ledo RIP

Weds 19 Oct
9.30am

Ss. John de Brebeuf, Issac Jogues
& Companions
Gerard Smith RIP

Thurs 20 Oct
9.30am
11.00am

feria
Rosaleen O'Grady RIP
FUNERAL MASS
Elizabeth (Lily) Brosnan RIP

Fri 21 Oct
9.30am

feria
Margaret Power RIP

Sat 22 Oct
9.30am

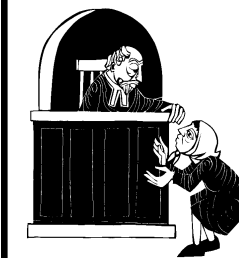
Pope S. John Paul II
Madeleine Martin RIP

Sun 23 Oct
6.15pm
8.30am
9.45am
11.15am
5.30pm

30th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
Patsy Kenny RIP (6th)
Sean Joyce RIP
Germaine Duffner Ints.
Kieran Kelly RIP



TODAY'S MASS



While today's parable seems to present prayer as nagging God for what we want, such a reading misses the point. God is not like the judge in the parable, worn down by requests and coerced to respond. The key is found in the description of the judge as corrupt and unjust. Since God can be neither, we must understand Jesus to be saying that if even an unjust judge responds to the persistence of the widow, how much more so will God listen to our prayers. God truly wants to hear our needs and respond generously. The lesson is about the persistence of the one who prays. God wants us to be like the persistent widow, staying in relationship with God, confident that God hears and answers prayers.

First Reading: Exodus 17:8-13

Joshua and the Israelites defeat Amalek with the help of God and his servant, Moses.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 121:1-2,3-4,5-6,7-8

The Lord is the Guardian of Israel.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

Paul exhorts Timothy to continue to preach the word Timothy received from his teachers.

Gospel Reading: Luke 18:1-8

Jesus urges his disciples to pray and not lose heart, for God hears and answers prayers.

SPIRITUAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

'The one who prays most receives most.'

St. Alphonsus Maria de Liguori

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GOSPEL REFLECTION

DAILY MASS TIMES

SUNDAY MASS: 6.15pm (Saturday Vigil), 8.30am, 9.45am (Family) & 11.15am (Solemn), 5.30pm.

WEEKDAY MASS: Monday – Saturday 9.30am.

HOLYDAYS OF OBLIGATION: 9.30am, 8.00pm.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Friday 9.00-9.30am, 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.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

SICK & HOUSEBOUND: Marie Rego, Eileen Kidd, Christopher Browne, Noel Gill, Dee Auriol, Allan Noronha, Fiona Power, SMR, Aaran Thayaparan, Jocalyn Almeida, John, Rowland Watts, Catherine Corcoran, Shaun Scoon and Helen Jordan, Sean Marren, Gerald Doody, Jim Anderson

RECENTLY BAPTISED: Elora Travasso, Hubert Wiczorek

RECENTLY DEPARTED: Elizabeth Brosnan, Michael Staunton

ANNIVERSARIES OF THE DEPARTED: Margaret Power, Benin Fernandes

BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP
In memory of Sheridan family

LAMP AT THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM
In memory of Irine pereira (1st Anniversary)

POPE FRANCIS' INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER
A Church Open to Everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

"If you invoke the Blessed Virgin when you are tempted, she will come at once to your help, and Satan will leave you."
-St. John Vianney



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A very typical human situation: a corrupt judge, pestered by a persistent widow, finally gives in to her, not because he is won over to acting justly, but because she is going to 'worry him to death'. The story was all too common in the world that Jesus knew. The widow who cannot get a fair hearing, probably concerning her inheritance, represents 'the poor' with whom Jesus identifies. He is certainly not likening his Father to the judge of the parable, but using the parable as the basis of an 'even more so' argument, such as we find in other parables. Having caught their attention with his ironical little story, Jesus is presented by Luke as emphasising the trust in God that should motivate the prayer of his disciples.

If the first concern of a lively faith is being alive to God's action in our lives, our prayer should begin and end in recognition that our lives have their real meaning in the unfolding of the plan conceived before all ages in the loving designs of God. This plan - the great virtue of Christian hope assures us - will certainly be realised; and in its realisation, all things will be turned to good. Of course, our personal needs and the concerns of those dear to us should be brought constantly before God in our prayer; but this should be done in the knowledge that these things are part of the plan of God, revealed in all its mercy and generosity in the coming of the Saviour, and realised through a providence that touches every detail of our lives and those who are dear to us. Prayer, Jesus is teaching us, is a living out of our faith; and, at the same time, our faith grows and matures through our life of prayer.



NEWS UPDATE

WELCOME to all at Mass today and a big welcome back if you have not been to Mass for a while due to the Covid restrictions.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY HELPERS AT 9.45 FAMILY MASS - We are seeking new volunteers to help the younger children (4-7yr) reflect on Sunday's Gospel during Mass in a fun, creative & simple way. If you might consider helping once every six weeks, joining an established group of experienced Catechists, please contact Una Moran una@bfmconsult.co.uk. Thank you.

FUNERAL MASS of Elizabeth (Lily) Brosnan on Thursday 20th October at 11.00am followed by burial in Greenford Cemetery. May she rest in peace.

FUNERAL MASS of Michael Joseph Staunton on Friday 4th November at 11.00am followed by cremation at west London Crematorium. May he rest in peace.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - Session 3 of the FHC Programme, this coming **Tuesday 18th October**, is for children together with a Parent/Carer. Catechists will be leading the session in their Small Groups about 'the meaning of sin & its affects'. Thank you, in anticipation, for arranging childcare for any other children, so a Parent/Carer is able to come to support their child preparing to make their First Reconciliation (Confession). Thank you for arriving promptly for the start of the session at 7pm.

NEW PARISH SAFEGUARDING LEAD - A massive thank you to Mary Kugaswam who has served the Parish generously as our Safeguarding Representative over the last few years. We are very grateful to Hanna Gorgis who, having completed her training, is beginning as our New Parish Safeguarding Representative this weekend. The new PSR phone number is included on the new poster in the church porch & in the Parish Centre.

CAFOD ANNUAL COLLECTION will be taken this weekend and next. Thank you in advance.

GIFT AID: Have you signed a Gift Aid form? We will soon be putting in a Gift Aid claim asking HM Revenue & Customs to give us the tax that you have paid on your donations 21/22. If you have stopped paying tax, please contact the parish office as soon as possible, so that we don't ask for the tax if you have not paid it.

EVENTS FOR YOUNG ADULTS - There is a **Talzé Prayer** at Notre Dame de France on the last Saturday of every month at 7.30pm. **The Big Summit** at Westminster Cathedral is taking place on 21st October 2022. Details can be found on posters in the porch. Please sign-up to the Westminster Youth Ministry Newsletter for lots more information about youth events in the Diocese by visiting <https://dowym.com/>.

CONFIRMATION 2023 - Please note that the Confirmation Programme at St. George's Sudbury caters for those in Year 10 and above. Information regarding registration on our Confirmation Preparation Programme for 2023 will be made available in the coming months. Please keep an eye on the Newsletter for further information.

CALLING NEW CONFIRMATION CATECHISTS - Might you consider a new ministry at the Parish helping our young people prepare for their Confirmation in 2023? You would be serving alongside a fantastic group of experienced Catechists. If you might consider helping, please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Mr. Peter Kingsley, at peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk for further information.

CAR PARK PROBLEMS: Unfortunately we do not have a large car park and would recommend that we give primary space to the elderly and disabled. Unfortunately many

people set off too late for Mass and this results in double parking thus clogging up the whole space. Also in the past some cars have faced damage too. This is wholly unacceptable, especially when nothing is said. Parking in some of the side streets and walking for the last few minutes seems to be the answer—but you do need to set off on time. Be also aware that if you bash into a car and drive off we have CCTV!

FRIENDS OF JESUS - If your child is in Year 5 or above, and has therefore missed the opportunity to be on our regular First Holy Communion Programme, they can still join our Friends of Jesus Programme offering older children the opportunity to still prepare for Confession (Reconciliation) & Holy Communion. We are also considering restarting sessions on Fridays, from 5.30-6.30pm, for children not attending Catholic Schools to offer a little additional faith formation to those attending Mass each week. For further details please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Mr. Peter Kingsley, at peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk.

READING AT 5.30PM MASS - Might you consider reading at the Sunday Evening Mass? This ministry offers the opportunity to reflect a little more attentively on the Word of God whilst also serving the community at Mass. The commitment is just once a month. There are some gaps in our regular rota that we remain keen to fill. If you might consider helping, please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Peter, at peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk for further information or speak to any of the Parish Team. Thank you.

THIS COMING NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS. In life we pray for those we love, in death we pray for the repose (the resting) of their souls. During the whole of November, we will remember the faithful departed in our families and amongst our friends especially at Mass. All Souls sheets together with envelopes to list the names of your departed loved ones, will be available from next week.

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES at Alperton Cemetery on Saturday 5th November at 12.00 noon. Please pass on this date and time to anyone who needs to know.

FILM NIGHT The next event will be on Friday 11th November with Peter Sellars Film "Heaven's Above!" Doors open at 7.00pm.

MEN'S BREAKFAST—we are planning to restart this popular event in November. Keep your eyes peeled for the date once we have sorted everything out.

DO YOU HAVE OLD READING GLASSES/SPECTACLES? We never know quite what to do with the them but they can be reused and redistributed to people who can't afford them or who have no access to them. We'll have a box at the back of church to collect any of these. Thanks in advance!

ROSARY AT HOME - If you would be interested in becoming part of the 'Rosary at Home' initiative, where a statue of Our Lady of Fatima is brought to your home for a period as you say the Rosary each day, please fill-in your details on the clipboard in the church porch.

WORLD YOUTH DAY - Westminster Youth Ministry is offering a 50% discount on the cost of those attending the **World Youth Day pilgrimage** for those joining their **Youth Leadership Training** scheme. For full details please visit <https://dowym.com/programmes/world-youth-day-leadership-training/...or speak to Fr. Mike>

THE OVER 60's CLUB 1.00pm every Tuesday in the café/Bar. **LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!**

THE PARISH OFFICE is open Thursdays & Fridays and from 10.30am until 3.00pm

SPONSORING THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP & THE LAMP AT OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM is a lovely thing to do for a departed loved one or a particular intention. There are some possibilities in the coming months. Please contact the office.

THE REPOSITORY is open after Masses. Why not take a look? Volunteers urgently required to assist in the Repository after all Masses. If you are able to help please contact Imelda on 07982683664.

CHURCH CLEANING: - Church cleaning takes place on Mondays after the 9.30am Mass. All are welcome! Thank you for all who are already helping out.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES ACROSS THE DIOCESE: for details go to: <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/>

SIGNING FORMS ETC. Please always make an appointment if you want school forms, passport forms, pension forms countersigned/witnessed by the clergy. The same if you want one of the clergy to act as a referee. Please don't just turn up at the door expecting it to be done immediately. Please also know if you want an English passport witnessed or naturalisation form we must have known you for a minimum of 3 years.

PRIMARY SCHOOL FORM SIGNING (In Parish Centre)
PRIMARY SCHOOL Friday 9 December 6.30-8.30pm
Please do not ask for forms to be signed outside these times

DIOCESAN AND SCHOOL VACANCIES please see folder in porch or School/diocesan website.

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

FLOWERS IN CHURCH—if you'd like to make a contribution, especially in memory of a loved one there are envelopes at the back of church.

Speak to the world about My mercy; let all mankind recognize My unfathomable mercy (Diary of St Faustina, 848)



Jesus, I Trust in You All welcome

DIVINE MERCY RETREAT

Led by Marian Fathers

Saturday
29th October 2022

2:00 pm - 4:30 pm

St George's RC Church,
970 Harrow Road,
Sudbury, Wembley,
Middlesex,
HA0 2QE

Devotional Programme:

2:00 pm Worship, Enthronement of the image of Merciful Jesus and Talk
2:30 pm Holy Mass
3:15 pm Hour of Mercy / Benediction
4:00 pm Veneration of the image of Merciful Jesus and Relic of St Faustina
4:30 pm Departure

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