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12<sup>th</sup> September 2021

24<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Sat 11 Sept	5.30 pm	St George's	Lena Connelly RIP, anniversary.
Sun 12 Sept	9.30 am	St George's	Wyn & Albert Woodcock, 68 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.
	11.15 am	Holy Spirit	People of the parish
	6.00 pm	St George's	For the most generous deceased benefactors of St George's and Holy Spirit parishes.
Mon 13 Sept	9.30 am	St George's	Betty Gilligan RIP (in Ireland)
Tue 14 Sept	9.30 am	St George's	Priest's own intention
Wed 15 Sept	9.30 am	St George's	Donor's intention for good health
Thu 16 Sept	9.30 am	St George's	Lesley & Stuart Fisher RIP & family
Fri 17 Sept	9.30 am	St George's	In thanksgiving, St Anthony
Sat 18 Sept	9.30 am	St George's	Colum & Kath Keenan RIP
	5.30 pm	St George's	T T Abraham RIP & Pennammh Dominic, 18 <sup>th</sup> anniv.
Sun 19 Sept	9.30 am	St George's	John McLaughlin RIP
	11.15 am	Holy Spirit	Donor's intention
	6.00 pm	St George's	Barney & Gwen Doherty and Dan & Mattie Connors

### GOSPEL REFLECTION:



Giving up is part of life – you give up time for your children and grandchildren. Parents say it was worth it for the joy in their face. A person goes to work for the poor and gives up a better job. You want to do more study and know you have to leave some leisure aside that you like. The Paralympics men and women sacrifice a lot to train and to do well. But something else comes through for us when we give up. If it's real and true we get back a

lot. It seems strange for Jesus to say – lose your life to save it. He's talking about losing good things, to get better.

**The ME culture** - This can be a big challenge in a culture today that is very ME conscious. We can find that personal concerns take total precedence, without much care for others, so long as it does not interfere with ourselves. But as long as one person on this globe is hungry or homeless or seeking refuge, the work of Jesus is never done. Losing life and saving life with Jesus is a call to community, to neighbourhood and the world.

If your own life is your main concern, your circle of care extends only as far as yourself, you will ignore the need to care in a sustained way for the stranger or the outcast. Leading a Christian life with the Lord at the centre, ensures we care for all.

### Prayer for Generosity (St. Ignatius of Loyola)

Lord, teach me to be generous.  
Teach me to serve you as you deserve;  
to give and not to count the cost,  
to fight and not to heed the wounds,  
to toil and not to seek for rest,  
to labor and not to ask for reward,

**NEW ACADEMIC YEAR:** As the new academic year starts we hope that the staff and students of St Georges and all our Catholic schools have had a refreshing summer holiday and wish them every blessing for their work this new academic year and term. Likewise, to the staff and students of Derby University - we assure them of a warm welcome from our two parishes and a reminder that University students are most welcome.

**THE UNIVERSITY OF DERBY MASS:** Every Tuesday at 12.30pm, beginning 28 September, there will be Mass every Tuesday in term time celebrated in the library of the Multi-Faith Centre on the University Campus followed by tea and coffee. All students and staff are warmly invited to attend. A great opportunity to make a little time for God during the week and to meet other Catholics who are part of the university community. We look forward to seeing you there.



CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY ONLY: 10:15 – 10:45

**SAINTS THIS WEEK :** Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Sept: St John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor. Tues 14<sup>th</sup> Sept: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Sept: Our Lady of Sorrows. Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Sept: Saints Cornelius, Pope & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION TODAY: Home Mission Sunday

**RECENT DEATHS:** Please pray for Rose White formerly of Littlelover and in recent years of Mount Carmel Care Home, who has died recently having reached over 100 years of age. Rose remained well and active and loved to attend Mass at St Philomena's Convent chapel on Sunday mornings before COVID restrictions. Rose's Requiem will take place at St George's on Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> October, at 10.30am. All family and friends can attend.

Also, please pray for Maria Muscat of Fenwick St, Allenton, who has died after a time of illness. Maria and family came regularly to Mass at St George's for many years and Maria, a devoted wife and mother will be sadly missed. No funeral details yet available.

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*



**DISCERNMENT EVENING:** 'When a person is conquered by the Fire of His gaze, no sacrifice seems too great to follow Him'. A discernment evening for those who feel called to the Priesthood takes place at the Vocation Centre, 247 Gordon Road, Nottingham, NG3

2LG. If you are interested in exploring a vocation to the Priesthood, you'll be very welcome to join the newly appointed Vocations Directors on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm for a time of prayer, informal discussion and social time. For more information email: [vocations@dioceseofnottingham.uk](mailto:vocations@dioceseofnottingham.uk)

**SEASON OF CREATION:** From 1<sup>st</sup> September - 4<sup>th</sup> October thousands of Christians over 6 continents are joining together to celebrate the wonderful world that God has made. We are calling this time the 'Season of Creation'. We are using the time to take a moment to stop and see the beauty of the world around us and remember that we have to take bold steps to look after it. If we don't stop and think about how to look after our world soon, we may not have a world to look after in the future. One thing we are doing as a Church is to have one Eco saving idea each week. This week we challenge you to try each one. Small Steps can make a big change. Before you leave the house, turn everything off standby it will also save you money and save electricity. Over the coming weeks you will hear more about climate change from our CAFOD reps Helen Wright ( Holy Spirit) and Trish Henderson (St Georges). Look out for details on the next newsletter.



### CLIMATE CHANGE CAMPAIGN MESSAGE FROM CAFOD

The poorest countries around the world are facing a health and an economic crisis. In addition, many are feeling the effects of climate change already. 2021 is a critical year as the UK is hosting two major global meetings – the G7 Summit held in June and the UN Climate talks, COP26, in November. With the eyes of the world upon us, it's very important for the UK to play a leading role. CAFOD is suggesting two ways in which we can all do this and have provided resources for both. Please can I encourage you to support these. Parishioners meeting with their local MP to explain that as Catholics, they care passionately about our sisters and brothers around the world and want more to be done to help them.