



PARISH OF ST GEORGE

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SUNDAY 13th September 2020 Twenty Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)

HOW OFTEN MUST I FORGIVE?

“There will come a day when the martyr will be made to stand before the throne of God in defence of his persecutors and say, ‘Lord, I have forgiven in thy name and by thy example.’

In today’s gospel Peter asked Jesus; ‘How often must I forgive?’ And Jesus told Peter to be far more forgiving than he was suggesting. Peter must forgive seventy-seven times, not seven times.

Jesus’s answer to Peter does not mean that forgiveness could be refused on the seventy-eighth and subsequent occasions. Thus, as Christians there could be no limit to the number of times we should forgive.

The future of humanity is in the hands of those who are ever ready to forgive. And this is one of the most effective means of healing the hurts and wrongs on individuals, families, communities, races, and nations. The burden of unforgiveness can be too heavy to carry and it is forgiveness that frees from the weight and bondage of bitterness and hatred. When it becomes too difficult to forgive, let us look unto the cross of Jesus to gain the strength. For Jesus forgives even in the most terrifying pains. He admitted St. Longinus who pierced His side into the company of His saints. Fr Thaddeus

From Fr Thaddeus

Beloved Parishioners of St. George, I have been appointed by Bishop Mark to serve you as the Parish Administrator. I need your prayers and the grace of God to carry out this mission. My last assignment was at Wythenshawe team ministry. It is a pastoral team ministry which involved covering Six Churches and the hospital chaplaincy in the Wythenshawe Pastoral Area. I really appreciate the kind gestures of some of our parishioners I have met these few days. I am looking forward to meeting more parishioners as we pray for the end of this pandemic. Finally, I thank my immediate predecessors Frs Edmund Montgomery and Owen Gallagher for their remarkable pastoral work for the parish.

Mass Attendance: Thank you to all those who have now signed up to the new system. If everyone who has signed up attends, we will be operating at 58% of our precovid numbers. This is fantastic and truly uplifting to see. There is still some room at all the Masses so if you haven’t signed up yet please consider doing so.

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Saturday 12 th	12pm-1:30pm	Confessions
	6:30pm	People of the parish
Sunday 13 th September 2020 Twenty Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)	9:30am	For our Teachers and Catechists
	11am	For Father Owen
Monday 14 th Exaltation of the Holy Cross	10am	For David and Margaret Lucas
Tuesday 15 th Our Lady of Sorrows	10am	For Bro Richard Moran SCJ (50yrs anniversary)
Wednesday 16 th	No Mass	
Thursday 17 th	10am	For David Gerty
	10am	For Monika Kielka
Friday 18 th	6pm	Holy Hour
Saturday 19 th	12pm-1:30pm	Confessions
	6:30pm	People of the parish
Sunday 20 th September 2020 Twenty Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time (A)	9:30am	For Vocations
	11am	For Bishop Mark

Missio: Please note that the Missio booklets are at the back of church for red box holders or anyone else to take until the stock has gone.

Christian Aid: The Whitchurch Christian Aid group has signed up to pray weekly for climate justice. The day and time is every Monday between 3pm – 4pm. We are asked to pray at some time during that hour each week. Alongside our friends at CAFOD and Tearfund, as well as people all over the world we will pray for a world where everyone can flourish, and creation can breathe easy again.

All Saints draw: Is Back!!!! Thanks to Rose Rich who has taken over the running of the draw.

Mass Intentions: We have now gone through our Mass intentions. If you would like to have a Mass said for any intention whatsoever then please do pass them into the sacristy through the collection plate or post them into the presbytery.

Weekly Collection: We wish to thank you all for your ongoing generosity in the upkeep of the parish.

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Standing Orders	£338 per month

Parish Finances: We wish to thank you all for your ongoing generosity in the upkeep of the parish. We would like to inform you of a matter which has arisen, and we are working on at the moment. We would ask you to refrain from writing any cheques to the parish please. There is an issue with the bank that they are not recognising the name that is written on the cheque. With this in mind, we are asking you to wait if you are writing cheques please until we can get this sorted out. We will let you know when it is sorted and how you should address the cheques in future as soon as the bank gets back to us. We would like to thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Our parish safeguarding representative is Helen Clarke.