



# The Catholic Parishes of St. George and Our Lady Queen of Peace

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THE MONTH OF JULY IS DEDICATED TO THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF OUR LORD

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## The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday Cycle C

13th July 2025 – Psalter Week 2

*Pope's Prayer Intention for July: For formation in discernment*

*Let us pray that we may again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.*



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DATE	CHURCH	TIME	INTENTIONS	FEAST DAYS
SAT 12 <sup>th</sup> July	St G	11.00 am	<i>Exposition only (No Confessions today)</i>	Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Vigil Mass	St G	12.30 pm	Noel Duffy and Family	
Vigil Mass	OLQP	6.00pm	Special Intention (B&P)	
SUN 13 <sup>th</sup> July	St G	9.45 am	Pro Populo	
	OLQP	10.00 am	Maria Fernanda Trovoadá/ Constantina Trindade/Maria da Graca Ramos /Fernanda Ramos Marques	
	St G	11.30 am	Deceased of Greene and Schoolcraft families	
	OLQP	12.15 pm	Polish Mass	
MON 14 <sup>th</sup> July	St G	10.00 am	Hulusi Ahmet	Feria in Ordinary Time
TUES 15 <sup>th</sup> July	St. G	7.15 am	Natasha O'Dowd	Memorial of St. Bonaventure, Bishop, Doctor of the Church
	OLQP	9.15 am	School Mass in Church	
	St G	10.00 am	Mirek Szymczak RIP	
	St G School	7pm	Yr 6 Leavers Mass	
WED 16 <sup>th</sup> July	OLQP	10.00 am	Mike Smyth (continuing courage)	Feria in Ordinary Time
	St G	11-11.45 am	<i>Exposition &amp; Confessions</i>	
	St G	12 noon	Desmond Whitmore	
THU 17 <sup>th</sup> July	St G	10.00 am	Christopher Stapleton	Feria in Ordinary Time
FRI 18 <sup>th</sup> July	St G School	9.05am	End of Year School Mass	Feria in Ordinary Time
	St G	10.00 am	Rev. Gerard Bowen	
	OLQP	12 Noon	Mary Lines (becoming a Catholic)	
SAT 19 <sup>th</sup> July	St G	11.00am	<i>Exposition &amp; Confessions</i>	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Vigil Mass	St G	12.30 pm	Robert John Riley RIP	
Vigil Mass	OLQP	6.00 pm	Bishop Mark Jabalé OSB RIP - Bishop Emeritus of Menevia	
SUN 20 <sup>th</sup> July	St G	9.45 am	Lisamma Jose RIP	
	OLQP	10.00 am	Pro Populo	
	St G	11.30 am	Zofia Wilczynska	
	OLQP	12.15 pm	Polish Mass	

**Tea and Coffee at St George's after 9.45am and 11.30am Sunday Masses**  
**Tea and Coffee at Our Lady's after 10.00am Sunday Mass**



**PLEASE PRAY FOR: The Sick and Housebound** of the two parishes. We include those in hospitals, nursing homes and their own homes.

**The Recently Baptised:** Ivy Hannah Duncan

**The Recently Deceased:** Patricia 'Pat' Hughes

**Clergy Anniversaries incl:** Revs Edmund Whelan, Anthony Burns, Brian Halton, Arthur Warburton, Philip Cleary, Brendan Carrick, Liam O'Connor, Thomas Rock

**Parish Anniversaries incl:** Monica Walters, Leonarda Palmeri, Peter Bailes, Macolm Smith, Antony Duggan, Giovanni Licursi, Maureen Blakeman, Virginia Norbury, Denis O'Brien, Adam Nawarycz, Sofia Farina, John Ambler, Zofia Wilczynska

**Our Lady, Health of the sick, Pray for them** ✠

**Welcome to the family of Christ.** ✠

**May they rest in peace** ✠

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## *The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### **First reading**

*'The word is very near you, so that you can do it.'*

**Deuteronomy 30:10-14**

Moses spoke to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keep his commandments and his statutes that are written in this Book of the Law, turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

'For this commandment that I command you today is not too hard for you, neither is it far off. It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will ascend to heaven for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?" Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will go over the sea for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?" But the word is very near you. It is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it.'

The word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

### **Responsorial Psalm**

**Seek God, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.**

### **Second reading**

**'All things were created through him and for him.'**

**Colossians 1:15-20**

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities — all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the Church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be pre-eminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

The word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

### **Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia, alleluia:** Your words, O Lord, are Spirit and life;  
you have the words of eternal life. **Alleluia**

### **Gospel**

**'Who is my neighbour?'**

**Luke 10:25-37**

At that time: Behold, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, 'Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? How do you read it?' And he answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.'

But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, "Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back." Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbour to the man who fell among the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' And Jesus said to him, 'You go, and do likewise.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

## THE ORDER OF MASS

Priest In the name of the Father....  
People **Amen**

Priest The Lord be with you.  
People **And with your spirit.**

### *Penitential Act*

People: **I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God**

### *Gloria*

Priest: Glory to God in the highest,  
People : **and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### *Liturgy of the Word*

After the first and second readings

Reader The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God**



The Gospel Acclamation is:  
Alleluia

Before the Gospel reading

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest A reading from the holy Gospel according to.....

People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After the Gospel reading

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### *Homily*

### *Profession of Faith*

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People: **I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.**

**I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.**

**Amen.**

### *Bidding Prayers*

People: **Lord, hear our prayer**

People: **Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

### *Liturgy of the Eucharist*

#### *Preparation of the Gifts*

Priest Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his Holy Church.**

#### *Preface Dialogue*

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right and just.**

#### *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Everyone: **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

#### *Memorial Acclamation*

Priest: The mystery of faith.

People: ONE OF THESE:

- A **We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection, until you come again.**  
B **When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.**  
C **Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection, you have set us free.**

#### *Doxology and Great Amen*

Priest: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

People **Amen**

Priest At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say: **Our Father, who art in heaven,....**

Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, ....

People: **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

#### *Rite of Peace*

Priest The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People **And with your spirit.**

Deacon or Priest: Let us offer each other the sign of Peace

To each other: Peace be with you

#### *Breaking of Bread / Lamb of God*

People: **Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. (2)**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

#### *Invitation to Communion*

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him.....

People: **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

#### *Concluding Rites*

Blessing - Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And with your spirit**

Dismissal - Deacon or Priest: Go forth the Mass is ended

People: **Thanks be to God**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>Lectio Divina (Zoom meeting)</b>	Mondays 7.00 to 7.40pm - Meeting ID: 91915833192 - Passcode: 6ukZCd
<b>Knights of St. Columba</b>	7.30pm in the Parish Centre on 23 <sup>rd</sup> July
<b>Parish Family Mass at St George's</b>	Sunday, 13 <sup>th</sup> July at 9.45am

**FATHER JAMES:** is being promoted to become a parish priest in the inner city of Birmingham. He is likely to be taking charge as parish priest at the beginning of September. We assure him of our prayers. His final Mass at OLQP will be on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August at 10.00 am and at St George's on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August at 11.30 am. Special envelopes are available at the back of the Church in which to place a donation for Fr James in thanksgiving for his ministry in the past three years (or give by card at the Dona Station). This will be presented to him at his final Mass as a farewell gift.

### PARISH GIVING –

*Ideally, please arrange a Standing Order and Gift Aid via the office. Alternatively give via the DONA machines in church, the QR code on the front of the Newsletter or the links below:*

<https://donate.mydona.com/st-georges-catholic-church>

<https://donate.mydona.com/our-lady-queen-of-peace-worc>

*If you are a UK tax payer, please Gift Aid your donations.*

Sun 6/7/25	Standing Orders	Loose Collection	2 <sup>nd</sup> Coll. - Peter's Pence	Dona Digital Collection Plate	Total
St. G	£2877	£670	£-	£217 + £35	£3799
OLQP	£744	£283	£41	£45 + £-	£1113
<b>Second Collection this weekend for Stella Maris (The Apostleship of the Sea)</b>					

### GROWING IN HOLINESS

Date of next meeting: **Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm**

Theme: **Seven moments of Bloodshed in Jesus' life**

Venue: **St George's Catholic Church**

**All are welcome.**

### PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

£790 full religious programme

£880 full religious program with touristic & historical sites visit.

27<sup>th</sup> September to 4<sup>th</sup> October 2025

7 Nights -Daily breakfast & evening meal.

Filipino community from Oxford are organising it.

Contact Joseph – 07748638402

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### JUBILEE YEAR – PILGRIMS OF HOPE

The talk on “Pilgrim People” by **Professor David McLoughlin** is  
**scheduled for this week** in the Parish Centre on

**Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm**

**\*\*NEW EMAIL ADDRESS FOR PARISH CENTRE BOOKINGS\*\***

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**VACANCY FOR TEACHING ASSISTANT** at Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College. For further information please click on the link

<https://www.blessededward.co.uk/about-us/vacancies/>

**YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL 2025** - Taking place at Ampleforth College from Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> - Monday 25<sup>th</sup> August, the Youth 2000 Summer Festival provides young adults (aged 16-35) from across the UK the opportunity to come together and explore faith, build relationships and find hope. This four-day festival includes great speakers, social time, break-out sessions, Daily Mass, 24/7 Adoration and much more! Register at: [youth2000.org/events/summerfestival2025](https://youth2000.org/events/summerfestival2025).

For more info or queries, please email [events@youth2000.org](mailto:events@youth2000.org).

**MARCH FOR LIFE UK-** Join March for Life UK on Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> September in London. A coach will be leaving St George's Church carpark at 7.30am and will depart London at 5pm. Seats cost £25, payable in advance. We usually have a priest or two with us. To book a seat or for more info contact Isabel: 07773 501721 or email [izzvys@gmail.com](mailto:izzvys@gmail.com)

### PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:** Meeting with parents/guardians will take place on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September** at 7pm in the Parish Centre. All parents/guardians must attend this meeting. For your child to be eligible for the Confirmation Preparation Programme here at St. George's, your child must be:

- ❖ **Baptised in the Roman Catholic Church**
- ❖ **Worship weekly here at one of our Parish Churches**
- ❖ **Received the Sacrament of Confession**
- ❖ **Made her/his First Holy Communion**
- ❖ **Willing to learn about his/her faith.**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES:** Meeting with parents will be on Thursday **11<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm** in the Parish Centre. For your child to be eligible for the Reconciliation and First Holy Communion Preparation Programme here at St. George's, your child must be:

- ❖ **Baptised in the Roman Catholic Church**
- ❖ **Worship weekly here at one of our Parish Churches**
- ❖ **Willing to learn about his/her faith.**

**Enrolment forms** are available from the back of the Church, parish office and parish website.

### JUBILEE 2025 - PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

**PISA - ASSISI - ROME**

22<sup>nd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> November 2025. Please book your place by filling in the booking form with a deposit.

Adults and Children over 9 years £850

Children (2 – 9 years) £805

Including Coach transfer from Worcester and return.

Contact: [enquiries@johnntours.com](mailto:enquiries@johnntours.com) (this is an email address, NOT a website) Or call: 07859 824 279

### LITTLE SAINTS – OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE RC CHURCH



Our Lady Queen of Peace Church is now holding monthly children's liturgy at Sunday 10am Mass

**Dates: 20/7, 3/8, 31/8.** We will invite the children after the opening prayer to come with our leaders and enjoy their own liturgy in the church hall (behind the church). All children are welcome ages 18 months +. We would like parents with children under 5 to attend with the children.

### NEW MASS TIMES FROM SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER:

#### ST. GEORGE'S:

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday at **12.30pm**

Sunday: **8.45 am** and **11.00 am**

#### OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE

Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday at **6.00pm**

Sunday at **9.00 am**

**Patricia Hughes RIP** – Of your charity please pray for the repose of the soul of Pat Hughes, who devoted so much of her time to serving St George's; from cleaning the church to collecting on the car park on Saturdays in all weathers. A good and faithful servant. May she rest in peace.