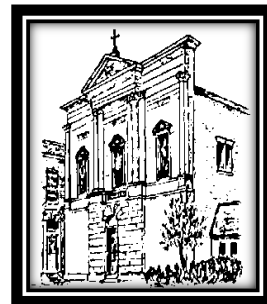






Catholic Parishes of Our Lady Queen of Peace And St George



<p>Our Lady Queen of Peace <i>Bransford Road, Worcester, WR2 4EN</i></p>	<p>St George's Catholic Church <i>Sansome Place, Worcester WR1 1UG</i> <i>Car park postcode WR1 1UT</i></p>	
<p align="center">Telephone: 01905 963712 Parish Office - stgeorge.worcester@rcaob.org.uk ST GEORGE'S PARISH HALL BOOKINGS – stgeorgesrcparishhall@gmail.com Tel: 07392 575696</p>		
<p> CatholicWorcester</p>	<p align="center">www.catholicworcester.co.uk</p>	<p> @CatholicWorcs</p>
<p>20th October 2024 Mass book p146</p>	<p align="center">TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p>	<p align="center">Psalter Wk1(B)</p>
<p align="center">Link for Mass: www.churchservices.tv/worcester & Links to donation websites OLQP – https://investmycommunity.com/ourladyqueenofpeacearchdioceseofbirmingham2142 St George - https://investmycommunity.com/parishofstgeorgeworcesterarchdioceseofbirmingham2141</p>		
<p align="center">CLERGY AND PARISH CONTACTS</p> <p>Very Rev Canon John Batthula (<i>Parish Priest</i>); canonjohn.batthula@rcaob.org.uk Fr James Ipinlaye (<i>Assistant Priest</i>) fr.james.ipinlaye@rcaob.org.uk Mgr Patrick Kilgarrieff (retired), Father Ron Cosslett (retired) <i>Permanent Deacons:</i> Rev Paul O'Connor, Rev Tony Hartshorn, Rev Krzysztof Wasilewski Rev Andrew Foster, Rev Antony Hartley, Rev Reginald Lewis (retired), Rev Chris Blackman (retired). Parish Secretary: Susan Fairman Parish Assistant: Simon Broadbent Safeguarding representative (St George's): Emma Raine sg.stgeorge.worcester@rcaob.org.uk Safeguarding representative (Our Lady's): Sam Rudd sg.olqop.worcester@rcaob.org.uk</p> <p align="center">Parish Schools:</p> <p>St. George's Primary School: admin@st-georgescatholic.worcs.sch.uk (Telephone: 01905 25841) Our Lady Queen of Peace School: kstaiger@emmaus.com (Telephone: 01905 421409)</p> <p align="center"><i>The PARISH OFFICE is OPEN MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY 9AM - 3PM</i> <i>CLOSED ON WEDNESDAYS, WEEKENDS AND BANK HOLIDAYS</i></p>		
<p>PLEASE PRAY FOR: The Sick and Housebound of the two parishes. We include those in hospitals, nursing homes and their own homes. <i>Our Lady, Health of the sick, Pray for them</i> †</p> <p>The Recently Baptised: Tommy Taylor-Dix <i>Welcome to the Family of Christ</i> †</p> <p>The Recently Deceased: <i>May they rest in peace</i> †</p> <p>Parish Anniversaries incl: Gordon Taylor, Antonia (Nina) Gibbon, Sylvia Jeff, Kathleen Owen, Margaret (Madge) Edwards, Marie Keegan. <i>May they rest in peace</i> †</p> <p>Clergy Anniversaries incl: Revs Thomas Burbage, John Murray, Edward Burbage, <i>May they rest in peace</i> †</p>		
<p>The Pope's Prayer Intention for October – For a shared mission We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.</p>		

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



THIS SUNDAY, 20th October is World Mission Sunday when the Holy Father invites all Catholics to support Missio, his charity for world mission, through a special collection. To donate, please use the Missio envelopes which you will find at the back of church. Please Gift Aid your donation if you are a tax payer.

Mass of Induction – Thank you

I sincerely wish to thank you all for your participation at my induction Mass. It was a joyous occasion coming together to celebrate the beginning of a new chapter in the history of these parishes as I began my ministry as your parish priest. I thank Bishop David, all clergy from our own diocese and other places. I also thank all people of God who had joined in these celebrations. Very grateful to those who have organised the buffet and contributed it. God bless you all.

There is an item on the Diocesan website with photos from the Mass. Click on this link to view [A warm welcome to the new parish priest of Our Lady Queen of Peace and St George's, Worcester | Birmingham Diocesan Trust \(birminghamdiocese.org.uk\)](#)

Thanksgiving Mass & Presentation:

I have invited Canon Brian to come back to St George's to celebrate a thanksgiving Mass for his long and dedicated ministry here in Worcester, on Thursday, **7th November at 7.00 pm**. After Mass there will be an opportunity to meet up with him in the Centre while having some light buffet supper.

Envelopes are available at the back of the Church, in which you can place your offering towards Canon Brian's presentation. Please return the envelopes no later than 31st October. Many thanks.

URGENT!!! - OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE

Archbishop Bernard has asked that we write to our MPs to oppose the bill which seeks to legalise assisted suicide. He has stressed the importance that a personal letter can have on the understanding and attitude of our members of parliament, particularly if people feel able to refer to their own experience. It can be an effective way of influencing our representatives' decision-making on this vital issue.

The Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales website has resources available to assist you and lays out *in detail* the Catholic position on this subject [Oppose Assisted Suicide - Catholic Bishops' Conference \(cbcew.org.uk\)](#). Cardinal Vincent Nichols has also written a Pastoral letter calling on Catholics to act to oppose this bill. You can read the full text of his letter here using this link [241013-Pastoral-Letter-VN-Assisted-Suicide.pdf \(cbcew.org.uk\)](#)

You can also access resources and contact your MP by visiting www.livesworthliving.org.uk

This is the biggest threat to the vulnerable in a decade, and we need a huge effort to lobby MPs.

DON'T DELAY. ACT TODAY!!



GROWING IN HOLINESS – OCTOBER: MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

"The Rosary is the weapon for these times." - Saint Pius X

Join us in honouring the Blessed Virgin Mary and her powerful intercession throughout the month of October. Let's come together to deepen our faith, seek Mary's guidance, and experience the peace of Christ. All are welcome! May Our Lady of the Rosary bless and protect us. **Venue:** St George's Church

Date and time: Tuesday, 22nd October at 7.30pm.

Prayers in support of First Confession candidates – You are invited to pray for the children who will shortly be making their first confessions. A notice board at the back of church shows all their names - please take a slip from the left-hand side wallet, write the name or names of the children you will especially pray for and then place it in the wallet on the right-hand side. Thank you

A JOURNEY IN FAITH - RCIA – A new RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) programme for those interested in becoming a Catholic will begin on **Thursday 24th October**. We have already received some expressions of interest. For the details, take a flyer from the back of the Church. Please contact me directly if you wish to attend at canonjohn.batthula@rcaob.org.uk

ATTENTION – IF THE CAR PARK IS FULL WHEN YOU ARRIVE FOR MASS, PLEASE PARK ELSEWHERE. USE ONLY THE DESIGNATED SPACES AND DO NOT BLOCK OTHER CARS IN!! THE PARISH OFFICE IS DEALING WITH COMPLAINTS ABOUT PARKING CONTINUALLY. IF BLOCKING IN CONTINUES TO OCCUR, WE WILL HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO KEEP THE CAR PARK CLOSED AT ALL TIMES. PLEASE NOTE: DO NOT USE HALLMARK HULME'S CAR PARK OR YOU WILL RECEIVE A FINE.

PARISH PASTORAL ADVISORY COUNCIL. Meeting on **Wednesday, 13th November at 7.00pm** in St George's Parish Hall.



The next meeting for University students will take place on Sunday, 3rd November at 7.00pm in St George's Parish Hall. All welcome.

Casual Examination Invigilator required at Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College. Please see the Blessed Edward Oldcorne website for details and an application form:

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

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

I am asking once again for gifts for the Children's shoeboxes. I realise that people are feeling stretched so I would be very happy to receive even one item rather than a full shoebox or you can donate an empty shoebox for filling. Either will be gratefully received. You have been very generous in the past, for which I would like to say a heartfelt THANK YOU. Many of the children who will receive them will have never had a present before. Here are some examples of items we can include in shoeboxes:

Please hand in boxes for **St. Georges** to Susan in the parish office.

For **Our Lady Queen of Peace**, we are able to put the boxes in the jubilee room this year.

Thank you so much for all your help with this. God bless you all. Sr. Christine.

LOURDES 2025 - Every year, hundreds of pilgrims from across the Archdiocese of Birmingham join together for the Lourdes Pilgrimage. 2025 is the Year of Jubilee and Archbishop Bernard invites you to come with us on this very special occasion in the life of the Archdiocese: "It's a great experience to be together with upwards of 700 fellow pilgrims." The pilgrimage dates have been announced: **Saturday 24 – Friday 30 May 2025**, and you can now express your interest in a place or get more information by scanning the QR code on your phone, or by visiting www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/lourdes.





FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND
GIVING HOPE TO VULNERABLE CHRISTIANS

YOU ARE INVITED!

TO THE FHL COFFEE MORNING AND SALE
AT ST GEORGE'S PARISH HALL
ON SATURDAY, 26TH OCTOBER FROM 10.30AM TO 2.30PM

STALLS INCLUDE:
*CAKES AND SAVOURIES *FANCY GOODS* OLIVE WOOD PRODUCTS FROM THE HOLY LAND* CHRISTMAS CARDS* RAFFLE*

REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE INCLUDING HOT SOUPS



MEETING FOR THOSE INVOLVED IN THE NINE LESSONS AND CAROL SERVICE 2024

There will be a meeting for anyone involved in the Nine Lessons and Carol Service following the 9.45am family Mass on **Sunday, 10th November** in St George's Parish Hall. This will be a chance for all to meet up and discuss the logistics of the service and answer any questions you may have.

Anyone who would like to help on the night is most welcome to make themselves known. This is a service for all the parishioners of Catholic Worcester. It is a chance for us all to come together to celebrate Christ's birth.

The Rosary is prayed 30 minutes before Mass each weekday at St George's. Come along and join us.



Liturgical Information

"The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for many"

Saturday Oct 19 th Mass Book p146	St G	11.00-12.15pm	Exposition and Sacrament of Penance	
	St G	12.30pm	Vigil Mass of Sunday – Alfonsina Barricelli	
	OLQP	6.00pm	Vigil Mass of Sunday – Pro Populo	
TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME				
Sunday Oct 20 th Mass Book p146	St G	9.45am	Family Mass – Lisamma Jose - RIP	
	OLQP	10.00am	Mass – Kay & Owen Fogarty - RIP	
	St G	11.30am	Mass – Kathleen Perry RIP	
	OLQP	12 noon	Polish Mass	
Monday Oct 21 st Feria	St G	10.00am	Mass – Mr & Mrs Chuka Ebii 7 Year Wedding Anniversary	
Tuesday Oct 22 nd Feria	St G	10.00am	Mass – Deirdre Byrne Recovery	
Wednesday Oct 23 rd Feria	St G Sch	9.00am	School Mass at St. George' School	
	OLQP	9.30 -10am 10.00am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary Mass – Angela & Simon Broadbent (25th Wedding Anniversary)	
	St G	12 noon	Mass – Stephen Mathew RIP	
Thursday Oct 24 th Feria	St G	10.00am	Mass - Fr Jose Vadakkethalackal (RIP)	
Friday Oct 25 th Feria	St G	10.00am	Mass - The departed soul of my Father (John)	
Saturday Oct 26 th Mass Book p149	St G	11.00-12.15pm	Exposition and Sacrament of Penance	
	St G	12.30pm	Vigil Mass of Sunday – Michael Dunn RIP	
	OLQP	6.00pm	Vigil Mass of Sunday – Philippa Adam and family	
THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME				
Sunday Oct 27 th Mass Book p149	St G	9.45am	Mass – Pro Populo	
	OLQP	10.00am	Mass – John Woodford RIP	
	St G	11.30am	Mass – Thomas Joseph & Family	
	OLQP	12.00noon	Polish Mass	
Second Collection this weekend for the Missio (formerly APF)				
Our Lady Queen of Peace 13/10/2024			St George's 13/10/2024	
Gift Aid Envs	£115.00	Gift Aid Envs	£98.00	
Standing Orders	£147.00	Standing Orders	£304.00	
Loose plate	£165.49	Loose plate	£445.07	
2 nd Coll - SVP	£tbc	2 nd Coll – SVP	£374.06	
Total	£427.49	Total	£1221.13	
<i>Thank you for your weekly Offerings - your generosity is greatly appreciated.</i>				
DATES for your diary				
Mondays at 7.00 pm		Lectio Divina (Zoom Meeting)		
Tuesdays at 7.30pm		Growing in Holiness, St George's Church		
Tuesday, 12th November at 7.30pm		Knights of St Columba, St George's Parish Hall		
Sunday, 10th November at 9.45am		Next Parish Family Mass at St George's		

Archdiocese of Birmingham: "Our Vision is to be a Catholic Diocese which is faithful to the mission entrusted to us by Jesus Christ, full of missionary disciples who work together co-responsibly in vibrant communities of faith, joyful in their service of God and neighbour". Both our Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Details of our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are on the front page of the newsletter. Alternatively, the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on **0121 230 6240/** safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern. Please find more information on the church notice board in the main porch.