

From Fr David – 23rd April 2021 – St George

To all the friends of Holy Name,

You may (or may not) be interested to know that today's feast day is a solemnity (a high ranking feast day), which excuses us all from our Friday abstinence, so let me begin by giving you the good news that you can toast St George with your Piña Colada tonight, whilst soaking up the evening sun on your patio, guilt free. Whilst it is wonderful that we can celebrate this day, it is utterly lamentable that the flag of St George, has, in recent years, become somewhat of a standard for the nationalistic right wing movement. And so ironic too, St George had a Cappadocian father, a Palestinian mother, and never even visited England. In fact, far from being anything to do with nationalism, our British patron Saints are instead a wonderful prophetic sign of the new humanity that sprang into being at Easter, multi-ethnic egalitarian communities of love and worship centred around the person of Jesus. St Patrick was an Englishman, St George from Turkey, St Andrew was a Palestinian of course, and St David...well he was Welsh. So enjoy your celebrations, and maybe today is a day to celebrate that Jesus has the unfailing power to unite what the world insists on dividing.

A happy feast day to you all, with love and prayers,

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SUNDAY MASS

Sunday Mass Times are Saturday evening 6pm, Sunday Morning at 10am, and Sunday evening at 6pm. Please arrive a few minutes early so we can seat you safely before Mass begins.

INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR HOSPITALITY TEAM?

Our hospitality team have done a great job over the past few months ensuring parishioners are made to feel welcome and seated safely. We could do with a few more volunteers to join the rota. Please email office@holynamesher.org.uk if you would like to join us.

ADORATION

We are pleased to announce that adoration is now starting again and will take place just for an hour after Mass on Mondays and Fridays (10.00am – 11.00am). Do feel free to drop in for a quiet time of prayer.

RETIRING COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND FOR EDUCATION OF FUTURE PRIESTS

There will be a retiring collection this weekend for The Education of Future Priests. There will be a cash collection or if you would like to donate online click here

<https://givealittle.co/campaigns/eeb23b30-5995-4e7b-b3ae-94d17d3268a9>

FREE LOGS - SOME STILL LEFT!

If you would like to help yourself to any logs and kindling at the back of the parish rooms garden, please feel free to drive up there and take what you would like. Logs for fires will need to be split. And if anyone has a wheelbarrow they would like to donate to the Church, our Gardening Team would welcome one.

MASSES AND INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday 24th April – 6pm – Wellbeing of Nick Windsor

Sunday 25th April – 10am – Mary Wood RIP

Sunday 25th April – 6pm – People of the Parish

Monday 26th April – 9.30am – Delores Cruel RIP

Tuesday 27th April – 9.30am – Mornington Seager RIP

Wednesday 28th April – NO MASS

Thursday 29th April – 9.30am - Mei Mei Lillywhite Ints

Friday 30th April – 9.30am - Mavis Collier-Webb RIP

Saturday 1st May – 6pm – Joseph Peake RIP

Sunday 2nd May – 10am – Mary Callaghan RIP

Sunday 2nd May – 6pm People of the Parish

READERS THIS WEEKEND

Saturday 6pm – Rita Tanner and Aileen Kewley

Sunday 10am – Maya Hull and Alan Verschoyle King

Sunday 6pm – Katharine Penney

READERS NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday 6pm - Angela Galpine and Sarah Cox

Sunday 10am - Nina and Tony McCaffrey

Sunday 6pm - Mayra Gomez

MORE READERS NEEDED

If you would like to join our readers rota, particularly at our Saturday and Sunday evening 6pm masses, we would love to hear from you. Neither of these masses are streamed in case you feel self-conscious.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Thursday 29th April – St Catherine of Siena

HOMILY

For Fr David's homily last weekend click here <http://www.holynamesher.org.uk/Homily%20-%203rd%20Sunday%20of%20Easter%20Biv%20-%20New%20World%20-%202018.4.21.pdf>

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