## PARISH OF ST GEORGE

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## 21st Sunday in Ordinary time, August 25th 2024

The Gospel: John 6: 60-69



Concluding his long Eucharistic discourse, Jesus, in today's Gospel, challenges his Jewish audience, and later His apostles, to make their choice: to accept Him as the true Bread from Heaven Who gives them His Body and Blood as their Heavenly Food, or to join those who have lost their Faith in Jesus and left Him, expressing their confusion and doubts about His claims. Today's passage describes the various reactions of the people to Jesus' claims. Many of the disciples leave, but the apostles freely choose to stay with Jesus.In this Eucharistic celebration, we, too, are called to make a decision, profess our Faith in God's Son and renew the Covenant ratified in his Life, death and Resurrection.

#### LIFE MESSAGE

1: Let us make our choice for Christ and live it: We Christians have accepted the challenge of following the way of Christ and making choices for Christ, fortified by the Bread He gives and relying on the power of His Holy Spirit. The Heavenly Bread and the Holy Spirit will give us the courage of our Christian convictions to take a stand for Jesus, accepting the Church's teachings and will enable us to face ridicule, criticisms, and even social isolation for our adherence to sound Christian principles in our lives.

- 2) That is what we mean by our "Amen" while receiving Jesus in Holy Communion. We express without any conditions or reservations our total commitment to Jesus in the community to which we belong. Christ's thoughts, attitudes, values, and life-view must become totally ours.
- 3) Above all, we are to identify with Jesus in the offering of His Flesh and the pouring out of his Blood on the cross by spending our lives for others.

# Prayers to the Immaculate Heart of Mary . Immaculate Heart of Mary,

full of love for God and mankind, and of compassion for sinners, I consecrate myself to you.

I entrust to you the salvation of my soul.

May my heart be ever united with yours, so that I may hate sin, love God and my neighbour, and reach eternal life with those whom I

May I experience the kindness of your motherly heart and the power of your intercession with Jesus during my life and at the hour of my death.

Amen.

#### HEART OF BLESSED CAROLO ACUTIS

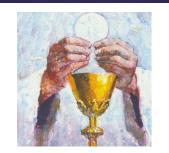
We have been greatly blessed over the years with the visit of the relics of Saint John Mary Vianney and Saint Bernadette of Lourdes. In September we will have the privilege of welcoming to the Diocese the relic of the heart of Blessed Carlo Acutis. The pilgrimage will be based at Saint Anthony's, Wythenshawe from 20th to 23rd September. Further details to follow!

There will be Mass in Malpas next Sunday

#### **Anima Christi:**

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, embolden me.
Water from the side of Christ, Wash me.
Passion of Christ, Strengthen me.
O Good Jesus, hear me.
Within your wounds hide me.

Permit me not to be separated from you. From the wicked foe, defend me. At the hour of my death, call me and bid me come to you. That with your saints I may praise you For ever and ever. Amen



### **Mass Times**

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Saturday 24 August	6:30pm	Souls in Purgatory
Sunday 25 August	9:30am 11:00am	Parishioners
Monday 26 August St Dominic Barberi	No Mass	
Tuesday 27 August St. Monica	10:00am	Tony Jones
Wednesday 28 August St. Augustine, B,D	Sacristy	Private Intentions
Thursday 29 August The Passion of St. John the Baptist	10:00am	Sanctification of Priests
Friday 30 August Ss Margaret Clitherow, Margaret Ward, V and Ann Line, Mm	6:00PM	Vocations
Saturday 31 August St. Aidane, B and the Saints of Lindisfarne	6:30PM	Souls in Purgatory
Sunday 01 September	9:30am 11:00am	Parishioners

#### YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL 2024

The annual Youth 2000 Summer Festival will take place from Friday 23rd August to Monday 26th August 2024 in the beautiful surroundings of Ample forth Abbey, North Yorkshire.

This festival is an opportunity for young people (aged 16-35) from across the UK to grow in their relationship with God, form friendships and be inspired to live out their faith. The programme will include input from speakers, a variety of workshops, and opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration.

Tickets (which include food and accommodation) can be purchased from www.youth2000.org/events

Join the Parish
Rosary on Saturdays
6pm. Let us pray for
the peace of the
world



Mass Offering for August 18th ----£

Standing orders———£118.25

Sat. 6:30PM	Sun. 9:30am	Sun.11:00am
Roland Young	Eileen Livesey	Helena Bellis

Confession is Saturdays 5-6pm, 30mins before and after mass and on request.

Our Parish Safeguarding representative is
Helen Clarke