

PARISH OF ST GEORGE

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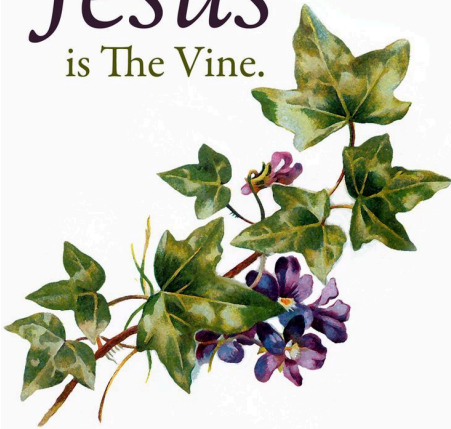


APRIL 28th 2024- Fifth SUNDAY OF

EASTER

GOSPEL : John 15:1-8

Jesus
is The Vine.



We are the branches.

In the Gospel, taken from the Last Supper discourse, Jesus uses the Old Testament image of the vine and branches to help his disciples to understand the closeness of their relationship with him and the necessity of their maintaining it. They are not simply rabbi and disciples. Their lives are mutually dependent - as close as a vine and its branches. In fact, in using this image, Jesus is explaining to them and to us what our relationship with him should become.

Feast of St. George:

We are celebrating the big feast of St. George today--28th of April. It is a good opportunity to get together and know ourselves.



**Say your daily
rosary for peace
in the world**

LIFE MESSAGE

Remaining attached (or united) to Jesus: . As St. Paul said, "It is no longer I who live but Christ lives within me," (Gal 2:20). Being attached to Jesus is being detached from the compulsive desire for everything that is not of God. Being attached to Jesus is being with Jesus and becoming Jesus in the way we think, feel, act, and react. Being united with Jesus happens when we serve Him hidden in the people we encounter. So, when we inspire a love of learning in our students; when we diminish dissension and instill cooperation in our parish's societies; when we curb quarrels and fill our homes with loving concern; when we go out of our way to help the hungry, those in need, the oppressed, and those who suffer injustice - then we are being with Jesus and becoming Jesus for our brothers and sisters. It is by prayer that we are united with Jesus and keep that union alive and active. Prayer is not a luxury but a necessity. To keep in touch with others we need devices like telephone, mails, and others. To keep in touch with Jesus, the source of our spiritual strength, there is no substitute for prayer.

Prayer to St. George

Faithful servant of God and invincible martyr, Saint George; favoured by God with the gift of faith, and inflamed with an ardent love of Christ, thou didst fight valiantly against the dragon of pride, falsehood, and deceit. Neither pain nor torture, sword nor death could part thee from the love of Christ. I fervently implore thee for the sake of this love to help me by thy intercession to overcome the temptations that surround me, and to bear bravely the trials that oppress me, so that I may patiently carry the cross which is placed upon me; and let neither distress nor difficulties separate me from the love of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Valiant champion of the Faith, assist me in the combat against evil, that I may win the crown promised to them that persevere unto the end. AMEN

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

Saturday 27 April	6:30pm	Antonia McLean
SUNDAY 28 April ST GEORGE'S FEAST	9:00am 4:00pm	Parishioners June Ockleston
Monday 29 April St. Catherine of Siena, V,D Patron of Europe	10:00am	June Ockleston
Tuesday 30 April St. Pius V, Pp	10:00am	J C Opara
Wednesday 01 May St. Joseph the Worker	Sacristy	Private
Thursday 02 May St. Athanasius, B,D	10:00am	Sanctification of Priests
Friday 03 May Ss Philip & James	6:00PM	Schiavo Family
Saturday 04 May THE ENGLISH MARTYRS	6:30PM	Souls in Purgatory
Sunday 05 May	9:30am 11:00 am 4:00pm	Janet & Philip Gibson June Ockleston

St. George is our Patron Saint

Saint George was a Roman soldier of Cappadocian Greek origin and member of the Praetorian Guard during the reign of Emperor Diocletian. He was sentenced to death for refusing to recant his Christian faith. He became one of the most venerated saints in Christianity, especially as a military saint since the Crusades. He is respected by Christians, and some other religions as a martyr of monotheistic faith. In hagiography, he is known as one of the Fourteen Holy Helpers. As a very prominent soldier he is immortalized in the legend of Saint George and the Dragon.

His memorial, Saint George's Day, is traditionally celebrated on 23 April by countries of England, Ukraine, Ethiopia and several other regions and cities, that claim him as their patron saint. The Church of St. George in Lydia Israel, contains a sarcophagus believed by many Christians to contain St. George's remains. It is believed that he died on the 3rd of April 303 in Lydia.

Mass Offering for 21st April—£288.96

Standing orders—£118.25

Sat.6:30pm	Sun.9:30am	Sun.4:00Pm
Jo Williams	Richard Shrimplin	Maria Latty

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

**There is Mass in Malpas next week Sunday-
05/05/2024 : Time 6:00pm**

Our Parish Safeguarding representative is Helen Clarke