

# PARISH OF ST GEORGE

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## Third Sunday of Easter, May 04, 2025

Gospel: John 21: 1-19

### Peter, do you love me.



**Today's Gospel** tells the post-Resurrection story of our merciful Saviour Who goes in search of His band of disappointed, dejected disciples. The incident proves that Jesus' post-Resurrection appearances were not mere hallucinations. In the first part of today's Gospel, the risen Jesus appears to His disciples and gives them a symbol of their mission in a miraculous catch of fish followed by a grilled fish breakfast prepared by Jesus himself. The second part is a dialogue between Jesus and Simon where Simon is asked three times whether he loves Jesus, and he answers that he does, as if in reparation for his triple denial of Jesus. The two metaphors used in the story, namely fishing and shepherding, are the duties of the Church in her missionary work. Peter, as a forgiven sinner, is chosen for the quality of his love to serve as leader in a community of brothers and sisters. As his primary mission, Peter is given the care of the vulnerable lambs and sheep, and he is told that fidelity to this mission will lead him to martyrdom.

### LIFE MESSAGE

We need to open our eyes, ears, and hearts wide to see, hear, and experience the Risen Lord coming into our lives in various forms, circumstances, and events: The Risen Lord blesses us with success and achievements.

The Risen Lord is present in our Christian worship: He is present on our altars during the Holy Mass to share His life with us; He is present in the words of Holy Scripture; He is there in the Sacraments, and He is there where two or three are gathered in his name (Mt 18: 20).

### Devotion to Our Lady

The Month of May is traditionally dedicated in a special way to honouring and seeking the intercession of Mary as the Mother of God and Mother of the Church. Remember to say your daily Rosary.

#### Our Lady promised:

1. Those who faithfully serve me by the recitation of the Rosary shall receive signal graces.
2. I promise my special protection and the greatest graces to all those who shall recite the Rosary.
3. The Rosary shall be a powerful armour against hell. It will destroy vice, decrease sin, and defeat heresies.



#### Supplication to the Queen of the Holy Rosary by Blessed Bartolo Longo

O Blessed Rosary of Mary, sweet chain which unites us to God, bond of love which unites us to the angels, tower of salvation against the assaults of Hell, safe port in our universal shipwreck, we will never abandon you. You will be our comfort in the hour of death: yours our final kiss as life ebbs away. And the last word from our lips will be your sweet name, O Queen of the Rosary, O dearest Mother, O Refuge of Sinners, O Sovereign Consoler of the Afflicted. May you be everywhere blessed, today and always, on earth and in heaven"

### 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 03 May	Justine Jobe's Intentions	6:30pm
Sunday 04 May	Stephen White Anna Forrester	9:30am 11:00am
Monday 05 May	Pat Cummins-Healing	10:00am
Tuesday 06 May	Mr & Mrs Feegrade	10:00 am
Wed. 07 May	Sacristy	
Thursday 08 May	Sanctification of Priests	10:00am
Friday 09 May	Antonia McLean	6:00pm
Saturday 10 May St. John de Avila	Souls in Purgatory	6:30pm
Sunday 11 May	Parishioners	9:30am 11:00am

Mass Offering for 27 April ---£1355.51

Standing orders-----£112.00

Our Parish Safeguarding representative is Helen Clarke

## A humble request for donations

There is a growing necessity for a toilet in our Church as we can see in the increase attendance. We humbly solicit for donations. No amount is small for this very important project.

For a cheque---St. George Whitchurch.

If you want a transfer, the account details will be provided on request.

## PRAYER OF Adoration and Reparation

Most Holy Trinity,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
I adore Thee profoundly.  
I offer Thee the most precious Body, Blood, Soul  
and Divinity of Jesus Christ,  
present in all the tabernacles of the world,  
in reparation for the outrages,  
sacrileges and indifferences whereby He is offended.  
And through the infinite merits of His Most Sacred Heart  
and the Immaculate Heart of Mary,  
I beg of Thee the conversion of poor sinners.  
Amen

Sat 6:30pm	Sun. 9:30am	Sun. 3:00pm
Hazel Spencer	Franklin Somtochi	Peculiar Chinagorom

**Confession is before and after  
mass or at any convenient time  
you want. Arrange with the Parish  
Priest**