

PARISH OF ST GEORGE

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The Gospel: Mark 10: 35-45

Whoever Wishes to be Great Among You Must be Your Servant



Gospel exegesis: The context: Our Gospel reading for today is another classic text on the question of ambition. For the third time, (Mk 8:31, 9:31, 10:32), Jesus predicts his swiftly approaching sufferings ending in death, which will be followed by resurrection on the third day. In spite of Jesus' two previous predictions, James and John were still thinking of Jesus as a revolutionary freedom-fighter. They shared their contemporaries' Jewish belief that the Messiah would be a political king, sitting on David's throne and ruling over a re-united Israel.

They believed that Jesus, their 'miracle-working' master would "rise" and soon establish his kingdom. They were sure that the purpose of Jesus' final trip to Jerusalem was to overthrow the Roman rulers. Hence, they wanted an assurance from Jesus that they would be the first- and second-in-command in the coming Messianic Kingdom of God. According to Middle Eastern custom, the seats on the right and left sides of the host were the places of honour, granted to the host's closest friends and associates, or those the host wished particularly to recognize.

Life messages:

We are challenged to give our lives in loving service to others. To become an authentic disciple of Jesus means to put ourselves in the humble, demanding role of servant to others, and so to seek intentionally the happiness and fulfilment of those we love regardless of the cost to ourselves. The best place to begin the process of "self-giving" service is in our own homes and in the workplace. We have to look upon our education, training, and experience as preparation for service to others.

Whatever may be our place in society – whether important or unimportant – we can serve. We should learn to serve with a smile. This is possible whether we are in military service, education (teaching), social service, law, medical service, government, or business. We get chances to serve others every day. Nurses serve their patients, teachers serve their students, parents serve the needs of their children, and spouses serve each other and their children as well as their own parents in old age. In our parishes, we are also called to serve not to be served.

Prayer to Our Lady of The Holy Rosary

O Venerable Queen of Victories, O Sovereign of Heaven and Earth, in whose name the heavens rejoice and the abysses tremble, O glorious Queen of the Rosary, we your devout children, gathered in this Church and pour out the affections of our hearts and with the confidence of children we express to you our miseries. From the Throne of clemency, turn, O Mary, your pitiful gaze upon us, upon our families, upon Europe, and upon the world. May you take pity on the anxieties and travails that embitter our lives? See, O Mother, how many dangers in soul and body, how many calamities and afflictions compel us. O Mother, implore mercy for us from Your divine Son and win the hearts of sinners with clemency. Amen

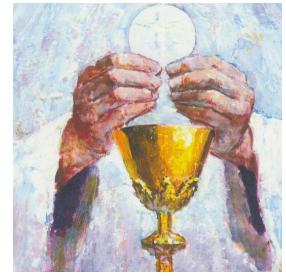


**JOIN OUR PARISH FAMILY OF ST GEORGE ON
SATURDAY'S ROSARY FOR PEACE OF THE WORLD AND
PROTECTION OF FAMILIES--6pm**

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 19 October	6:30pm	Souls in Purgatory
Sunday 20 October	9:30am 11:00am	Private Int. Mary Pettifor
Monday 21 October	10:00am	Private Intentions
Tuesday 22 October St. John Paul II		No Mass
Wednesday 23 October St. John Capistrano	Sacristy	Private Intentions
Thursday 24 October Anthony Mary Claret	10:00am	Christabel Elsley RIP
Friday 25 October	6:00pm	Zoe Feery RIP
Saturday 26 October Ss Chad & Ced.	6:30PM	Souls in Purgatory
Sunday 27 October	9:30am 11:00am	Parishioners Christabel Elsley

The Promises for those who say the Rosary

6. Those who recite my Rosary devoutly, applying themselves to the consideration of its sacred mysteries, shall never be conquered by misfortune. In His justice, God will not chastise them; nor shall they perish by an unprovided death, i.e., be unprepared for heaven. Sinners shall convert. The just shall persevere in grace and become worthy of eternal life.

7. Those who have a true devotion to the Rosary shall not die without the sacraments of the Church.

8. Those who faithfully recite the Rosary shall have, during their life and at their death, the light of God and the plenitude of His graces. At the moment of death, they shall participate in the merits of the saints in paradise.

9. I shall deliver from purgatory those who have been devoted to the Rosary.

10. The faithful children of the Rosary shall merit a high degree of glory in heaven.

Mass Offering -29thSept. -£230.80

Standing orders-----£118.25

Sat. 6:30PM	Sun. 9:30am	Sun.11:00am
Hazel Spencer	Eileen Livesey	Helena Bellis

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

Our Parish Safeguarding representative is
Helen Clarke