## ST JOHN VIANNEY CHURCH

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## 3rd Sunday of Advent - 10th / 11th December 2022

Dear parishioners,

This Sunday we light the 3<sup>rd</sup> candle of our Advent wreath. Another light to fight the darkness. This time it will be the light of "Joy", which is traditionally celebrated on this Sunday, 'Gaudete Sunday'. The light of "Hope" was lit on the first Sunday of Advent, the light of "Faith" on the second Sunday and "Peace" will be lit on the fourth one. Four important lights as pillars of our life. Four pillars which have their origin in Jesus Christ. God made a promise, a very significant promise, to our ancestors in the faith and he fulfilled that promise in Jesus.



The first reading said "Look, your God is coming". Isaiah proclaimed this as a certainty, he believed God was going to fulfil these words, he believed in God's words. That belief gave him a way of living, a direction in his life. His life was founded on his faith in God.

The second reading is similar because James expresses that his hope is in Jesus. James' life is founded on Jesus. He had experience of Him, and he knew is worth it to be patient because God will respond. There are many situations that we experience as being out of our hands but they are not out of God's hands. He is certainty in the midst of our uncertainties.

The Gospel is clear: Jesus is the answer. He is God's promise made flesh.

In Him our faith has a face, has a name.

Advent is a time to prepare, a time to recognise, a time to renew our Hope, Faith, Joy and Peace in the One who is our certainty.

As you know this weekend we have a very special celebration within our Parish, Ann Marie D'Souza is doing her Profession of Perpetual Vows within the Verbum Dei Missionary Fraternity. It is Ann Marie's faith that has led her to make this step, to dedicate her entire life to announce the power of our faith, the faith in Jesus. Ann Marie is making an option for her life to have only one foundation and from there one dedication.



"With all my filial affection, I hand over to you, heavenly Father, the life which out of pure love you have given me and which you preserve. I want, out of love, to invest it only for your glory, doing always and in everything, your will. I will seek only your Kingdom of love, justice and peace, in order to propagate it and share it among all your children, my brothers and

sisters of every race, tongue, people and nation. Your Kingdom will be for me the only richness, temporal and eternal, that I want to live and share equally with everyone" (From VDMF Formula of Consecration)

Please pray for her and for her vocation and for all the people who would benefit from her life and her faith.

Take care and have a blessed third week of Advent, Anabel Gonzalez, FMVD

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS

### **MORNING TEAS/COFFE**

In the Parish Hall on Sundays, after 9am and 11am Masses.

We also welcome parishioners and newcomers on Thursday mornings after the 9.15am Mass



### **CATECHETICAL PROGRAMMES 2022**

For any enquiries, please contact Sr. Anabel on 07455544065 or the Parish Office.

### **BAPTISM FOR INFANTS**

Application Forms at the back of the Church Please contact the Parish Office or Sr Anabel

### **CHRISTMAS CAROL SINGING**

Come and join us in Carol singing at Wood Green Shopping Mall (in front of Boots) on Wednesday 21st Dec, 5-6pm.



### **CHRISTMAS SERVICE and MASS TIMES**

Reconciliation Service: Saturday 17th after 6pm Mass Sunday 18th after each Mass



### **CHRISTMAS EVE (SATURDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER)**

Family/Children's Mass 7:00pm Carol service 10:00pm Mass of Christmas 10:30pm

### **CHRISTMAS DAY (SUNDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER)**

Mass of the Nativity of the Lord 9:00am

11:00am

### **LECTIO DIVINA PRAYER GROUP**

Meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month i after 9.15am Mass, at Verbum Dei Spirituality Centre. Next session 20th December. All welcome!

### **BIBLE TEACHING**

Every Tuesday, I will be conducting Bible Teaching and Prayer, starting at 7pm via Zoom. Please see the Zoom link below for joining.

Meeting ID: 822 7071 5858 Passcode: W2ejp5

Victor Amadigwe



## "We carry this treasure in jars of clay" <sub>2Cor4:7</sub>

The Solemn Profession of Perpetual Vows of Ann Marie Isabel D'Souza, FMVD will take place on Saturday 10th December 2022 at 12pm

I'm sure many would like to attend and would be very welcome, but it may not be possible to accommodate all. There are tickets available.

Or Watch online: https://youtu.be/2v9s5MFj6YE

On Sunday the 11th as a Parish we will have a hanksgiving Mass at 11am and a party in the parish hall afterwards.



# INVITATION TO OUR MONTHLY PRAYER VIGIL

At the Home Office, Marsham Street, SW1P 4DF from 12.30-1.30pm

### Monday 19th December 2022.

Every third Monday of the month.

We remember those who have died trying to reach the UK, victims of the war in Ukraine, workers with asylum seekers in detention centres, those supporting homeless migrants, those struggling to inject welcome and humanity into our legislation.

Add your name to our mailing list for future dates and prayer sheets in advance via <a href="mailto:Barbarakentish@talktalk.net">Barbarakentish@talktalk.net</a>
orjohanmaertens@hotmail.com

**Energy and Financial Resilience** 

Cost of Living Hub The Mayor of London has launched a new Cost of Living Hub, which helps people access information, support and advice about claiming benefits, dealing with debt, fina20ncial management and mental health support. To explore the hub, please

visit <a href="https://www.london.gov.uk/cost-living-">https://www.london.gov.uk/cost-living-</a> hub

### Grants to help pay off energy debts

People who are in debt to their energy supplier might be able to get a grant from a charitable trust to help pay it off.

More details on this link – plus links to several advice providers

https://fuelpovertyresource.org.uk/focuson/fuel-debt-and-trust-funds/

#### **ART AND SAINTS**

Art display and talk with the Author Meg Hunter-Kilmer and the Artist Ruben Ferreira 14th December 2022, 7pm at St Paul's RC Church, N22 7SZ, London. (See poster for further details)

# CAFOD World Gifts: Give a gift of hope this Christmas

In Advent, let's share the promise of hope that has been made to us with our sisters and brothers around the world. You can buy CAFOD's World Gifts for family and friends this Christmas online at

https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk/ or pick up a

### **OUR CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE TREE**

We have an opportunity to remember our loved ones who are no longer with us at Christmas.

Please write the name(s) on the tab and attach it to the Christmas tree.

### **TOTTENHAM REFUGEE ALLIANCE**

is looking to secure rented accommodation suitable to house a refugee family under the Community Sponsorship

Programme, part of the Home Office Scheme to support families with accredited refugee status.

We will support the landlord with upgrading suitable housing and settling the family, supporting them in all their needs to come and take their place in this local community of Haringey.

Interested landlords should contact us at housing@tottenhamrefugees.org.uk.



## **Youth Group**

Youngsters from 15 y+ are welcome For more info, please contact Sr Anabel



## LOW TRAFFIC NEIGHBOURHOOD – LTN EXEMPTION SURGERY WITH MEMBERS OF HARINGEY COUNCIL

Wednesday 14th December at 11:00am in St John Vianney Parish Hall

To get assistance in your application for exemption you are required to bring with you the following:

**If they are a Blue Badge holder in an LTN Zone** - A copy of their Badge and details of the vehicle they would like to nominate (if they have a copy of the V5 that would be helpful)

### THE LIVE SIMPLY GROUP

Thanks to all who participated in the SJV LiveSimply Group Christmas Project.

Please remember to hand in the present to the parish office so that they can be distributed to the children in the school.

Many thanks for your help.

### IMPORTANT NOTE,

**COP15 Canada,** from **December 7 – 19**, **2022**, the biggest Biodiversity Conference in a decade.

COP15 will focus on protecting nature and halting biodiversity loss around the world. The Government of Canada's priority is to ensure the COP15 is a success for nature. There is an urgent need for international partners to halt and reverse the alarming loss of biodiversity worldwide. It also requires real transformative change, innovation, and a proper accounting for the true value of nature in decision-making across all sectors. (More information on the web).

### **CLEANING OF THE CHURCH**

Would you like to help us? **Every Friday after 9.15am Mass**Thank you!

### **MASS TIMES**

Monday to Friday 9.15am
Saturday 6pm – Sunday Vigil Mass
Sunday 9:00am and 11:00am

### **ROSARY**

Weekdays at 8.45am (before Mass)

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday 5 – 5.30pm

### **PARISH TEAM**

Fr. Joe Ryan, Parish Priest

Sr. Anabel Gonzalez, FMVD, Parish Sister

Germaine Ng Ying, Parish Admin/Secretary

### **FUNERAL SERVICE**

#### For Michelina Daniel

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 10am followed by burial at Edmonton Cemetery at 11:30am.

May she rest in peace.

We will remember her family and friends in our prayers

# THIS WEEK WE PRAY FOR The repose of the soul:

Michelina Daniel David McDonagh Martin Hession Michael Deloney

### **RIP Anniversary**

Jocelyn Luxon
Madeleine Holmes
Mary Glynn
Thomas 'Don' O'Sullivan
Bridget McDonagh

# Special Intentions: And for the sick and those in our parish

Gill The Turek Family
The Daniel Family The McDonagh Family
Kim Felicia
Johanna Sheila
Kathy Veronica
James Eduardo & Angela

### Birthday

Lena Marcus

### Wedding Anniversary

James and Suzette

#### Christmas

The Reaney Family John & Mary
Christina Danaher Josie Stone
Mary Delaney Laura Rust
Janice Leckie Patricia Doherty

# NAMES NOT LISTED ABOVE ARE LISTED IN OUR BOOK OF INTENTIONS

# PARISH OFFICE HOURS Mon to Fri 10am-12noon, 1pm-5pm

To make an appointment Phone: 0208 888 5518 or

We cannot guarantee to have anyone available outside of these hours.