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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER– 13th /14th MAY 2023

Dear parishioners,

In today's Gospel, Jesus is announcing that the Holy Spirit will be given to the Apostles and to us, by God the Father. The Spirit is already with us and in us. Jesus says: "I will not leave you orphans, I will come back to you...the world will no longer see me, but you will see me...". This is the mystery and the wonder of our faith. This is the truth that we believe in. This truth gives us strength, hope, specific understanding of human life and the whole of creation. We do not see God but we believe He is with and within us. We believe that we are not on our own in this life. Our human existence is not only for this life but for eternal life. We have been made for Him and for sharing with Him. In this special-unique relationship we can build up our relationships with others.



In different words St Peter says (2nd reading): "Reverence the Lord Christ **in** your hearts". He is really close to us in our hearts and minds. This is part of the truth of our faith. Peter also says: "always have **your answer ready** for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have". We need to have our answers and our reasons ready to show why we have hope. Today, many people do not know what to really believe and are not sure whom believe or follow. The important thing is to be able to share our faith in God. We constantly need to keep in mind that He has not left us orphans but is with us always.

I would like to congratulate families of the First Holy Communion children and the Confirmation group. I have witnessed how the parents have been ready to share their own faith and their answers with their children. What a beautiful journey we have made during the Programmes! It was inspiring to see families very committed to help their children to grow in faith. Thank you for your efforts in this journey together with your children. Thank you for your attendance and the time given for your children. Learning is not only during the catechetical sessions but also in your example and commitment. As you know, children follow by example and I feel that you have helped to inspire your children. And also, thanks to all parishioners who have been praying for all the young people.

I have enjoyed every session within the First Holy Communion and Confirmation groups. The different questions and experiences have helped to develop the truth of our faith. We journeyed together through the Old Testament, the Last Supper, what the Catholic Mass is; Christian Parenting, the Five Languages of Love, the importance of Prayer in family life and the Christian Community, etc... With the Confirmation group some of the sessions were: who is Jesus for *me*; self-awareness; relationships; vocations; sacraments; the Fruits of the Holy Spirit and much more. Our faith is related to God and our personal relationships.

A SPECIAL thank you to all our Catechists! Without them we could not run the Programmes!

Have a good week ahead,

Anabel Gonzalez, FMVD

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS

PARISH ACTIVITY –TEAS /COFFEE MORNING TEAS/COFFEE

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

Tea & Coffee after Sunday Masses:

We need more volunteers to help out in this Parish activity which people have found most helpful. Please contact the Parish Office

westgreen@rcdow.org.uk

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

CATECHETICAL PROGRAMMES 2022

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

CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION and PROGRAMME

Many of our young parishioners will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop John Sherrington on Sunday 21st May.

Final Session and Mass of Thanksgiving: 27th May 2023

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

A programme for adults who are interested in receiving the Sacrament of Baptism. Application Form at the back of the Church

BAPTISM FOR INFANTS

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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATIONS

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 33 CHILDREN who received for first time the sacrament of Holy Communion on the 6TH & 13th of May. Sending out Mass on 20th May. Please keep them and their families in your prayers!!



THE WORLD IS LISTENING TO POPE FRANCIS:

WHAT IS HE SAYING TO US IN 'LAUDATO SI'?



YOU ARE INVITED!

'Laudato Si' is probably the most widely talked about papal encyclical for decades. Pope Francis is sending a message to the whole world about why we must act to save our world from ecological disaster, injustice and poverty. And the world is listening!

Come and join the Live Simply group and help us as we explore the Pope's Encyclical and try to find ways that we might respond to it practically.

We'll read together, share our thoughts and ideas and make some plans for the months ahead in our faith communities.

WHEN?
TUESDAY 30TH MAY AND TUESDAY 6TH JUNE 2023 AT 7.30—9.00PM
WHERE?
St John Vianney's Hall, West Green Road, London N15 and online (See panel opposite for details of how to register on Zoom)

Dates and themes:

TUESDAY 30TH MAY

A warm Welcome and introduction to 'Laudato Si', Chapter One. What's happening to our Common home?

Chapter Two The Gospel of Creation
Chapter Three The Human Roots of the Ecological Crisis

TUESDAY 6TH JUNE

Chapter Four Integral Ecology
Chapter Five Lines of Approach and Action
Chapter 6 Ecological Education and Spirituality



REGISTER FOR SESSIONS ON ZOOM ONLINE HERE:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6491620262>
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St John Vianney's has been recognised by CAFOD as a Live Simply Parish.

The Live Simply Group meets monthly to explore ways that we can 'Live Simply' so that others might simply live.

We welcome new members to join us in our meetings and monthly walks together in Downhills Park (see News Bulletin for details)

Interested in joining us?
Meetings in SJV Hall after 9am mass on first Sunday of every month

Live Simply Group invites you to "Laudato Si Revisited – 7 years" event on Tuesday 30th of May and 6th of June.

The event will be held in-person and with the option of online on zoom. Register at the back of the Church, please.



A WARM WELCOME TO FR SAMUEL

Fr Samuel will be with us for a month.



ANNUAL MISSION APPEAL

Today we will welcome Sr. Patricia Holloway of the Comboni Missionary CMS to our parish. Sr. Patricia will be making a Mission Appeal this weekend, 13th /14th May 2023 at all our Masses.

Please be generous as you can in the retiring collection. Thank you!



PARISH FUNDRAISING SPONSORED WALK & PICNIC Sunday, 14TH May 2023

12:30pm - 4:30pm

Downhills Recreational Grounds: We invite all parishioners to come and join us in this fundraising event. You can show your support by sponsoring someone, doing the walk yourself, or to come for the picnic. Sponsor forms are available from the back of the church. The event is open to all families and individuals.

INVITATION TO OUR MONTHLY PRAYER VIGIL

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

Monday 15th May 2023

Third Monday of the month. For further
information contact

johanmaertens@hotmail.com or

barbarakentish@talktalk.net

LECTIO DIVINA PRAYER GROUP

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

Next session **16th May, 2023**

WALKING THE CAMINO FOR HORNSEY FOOD BANK

Anne Lamont is walking 100km
of the Camino de Santiago to support the
work of Hornsey Food Bank. If you wish to
sponsor her, please donate through this link:

<https://localgiving.org/fundraising/walking-the-camino-for-hornsey-food-bank/>

FEAST OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD (Holy Day of Obligation) Mass Times 9:15am and 7:30pm

PRIEST TRAINING FUND

Thank you for your generosity to the Priest
Training Fund collection last weekend which
came to **£727.20**.

Donation envelopes are available in the back
of the church.

Please continue to pray for vocations to the
priesthood. For more information, or to make
a donation, visit
www.rcdow.org.uk/donations

STOP DESTROYING OUR COMMUNITY END THE LTNS NOW – NEXT PROTEST MONDAY 15th MAY 2023

Meet at Downhills Park Entrance at 5:45pm
leave at 6pm walk along West Green Road to
a 7:30pm Full Council Meeting
at Tottenham Town Hall, N15 4RY

FREE DANCE CLASSES [4 Sundays] Sundays after the 11:00am Mass in the Parish Hall.

If you are interested, just come along.

HARINGEY DEANERY WALK

Come and Join

The Great Haringey Deanery Bank Holiday Walk on Monday 29th May 2023

9.15am Depart St Francis De Sales –
Tottenham

10.30am Depart St Pauls – Wood Green

12.00pm Mass at Our Lady of Muswell

followed by packed lunches in the parish Hall
1.45pm Depart Our Lady of Muswell – Muswell
Hill

3.30pm Depart St Peter in Chains – Stroud
Green

4.45pm Depart St John Vianney – West Green

5.30pm Arrive at St Ignatius – Stamford Hill,
for evening prayer

**If you are interested in joining us for all
or part of the day. Please sign your name
to the list at the back of the church.**

**You may collect sponsorships for
particular charities.**

THIS WEEK WE PRAY FOR
The repose of the soul:

Mary Campbell
Brian McQuaide [*month's mind*]
Bernard Pinto
Carmella Figueredo
Henry Ryan
Annie Baliram
Roger Lise
Eduardo Da Silva
Jose Da Silva
Mary Josephine Sullivan

RIP Anniversary

Ellen Ryan
John Danaher [*birthday remembrance*]
Hannie & William Ahern
Lazarus Ikediashi

Special Intentions:

Antonio Cruz

MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday at 9.15am

Thursday –

Feast of the Ascension of the Lord

[Holy Day of Obligation]

at 9:15am and 7:30pm

Saturday 6pm – Sunday Vigil Mass

Sunday 9:00am and 11:00am

ROSARY

Weekdays at 8.45am (before Mass)

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT**

Tuesdays after Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5-5:30pm

NEXT SUNDAY: 6th SUNDAY of EASTER

1st Reading: Acts 1:12-14
Psalm: Psalm 26
2nd Reading: 1 Peter 4:13-16
Gospel: John 17:1-11

PARISH TEAM

Fr. Joe Ryan, Parish Priest
Sr. Anabel Gonzalez, Parish Sister
Germaine Ng Ying, Parish Adm/Secretary
In Residence: Fr Samuel Danso

And for the sick and those in our parish

Angela	Ann
Eduardo	Emmanuel
Helen	Ivy A
Joan	John D
Kathy F	Kim
Laura	Lenora
Merle	Michael J
Monica	Pantaleone
Patricia	Phil
Pierina	Rose
Sheila	Veronica
Yollie	Yvonne

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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Fri 9am-12pm & 1pm-5pm

To make an appointment

**Phone: 0208 888 5518 or email
westgreen@rcdow.org.uk**

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