



# ST. JOHN VIANNEY CHURCH

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### LITURGY

*Morning Prayers –*

*Mon-Fri: 8:30am*

*Sat: 9:15am*

### MASS TIMES

*Monday to Friday at 9.15am*

*Saturday 10:00am*

*Saturday 6pm –*

*Sunday Vigil Mass*

*Sunday 9:00am and 11:00am*



THE  
SPIRITANS

**FR JEROME'S OFFICE HOURS:**

*Mon. & Fri: 10:30am-2:30pm*

**FR VINCENT'S OFFICE HOURS:**

*Wed. Thurs: 10:30am – 2:30pm*

*(4 Vincent Road N15 3QH)*

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

**Mon to Fri: 9am-5pm**

### PARISH TEAM

*Fr Jerome O. Dukiya CSSp, Parish Priest*

*Fr Vincent Nnatuanya CSSp, Asst. Priest*

*Sr. Anabel Gonzalez FMVD, Parish Sister*

*Germaine Ng Ying, Parish Adm/Secretary*

## TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY – 14<sup>TH</sup> /15<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2023

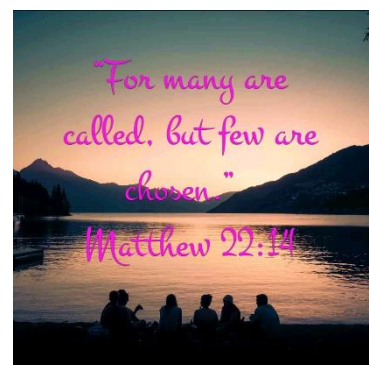
Dear Parishioners,

Today's reading tells us something about the difference between being called and being chosen. On the surface it may seem rather hieratical of God, like he is only choosing a select few. But being chosen is very much linked with our response to God. Our response when he calls us and our availability to listen to Him choosing us. St John Henry Newman whose feast day we celebrated last Monday once said "God has created me to do Him some definite service. He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another. I have my mission. I may never know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next. I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons. .... I shall be an angel of peace, a preacher of truth in my own place, .... If I am in sickness, my sickness may serve Him, in perplexity, my perplexity may serve Him. If I am in sorrow, my sorrow may serve Him. He does nothing in vain."

The Gospel reading for today alludes to us all being called by God. We are all invited to the wedding banquet, sometimes in different ways. And we see the response of those invited. How has God called me/ invited me? Do the responses of those invited resonate with me and with my own response?

My response with a yes to God after being called may be attending mass regularly, taking time to develop my relationship with Him, taking part in community life, receiving the sacraments, spending time with my family, accepting and embracing sufferings perhaps, to name a few. This yes allows the space for God to choose me and to help me discover my purpose, to discover how He is inviting me to be *a link in the chain*. Many (in fact all) are called, but perhaps not all make themselves available to understand how He is choosing them. Perhaps not all discover how He has chosen them to a definitive service in their lives, in their jobs, in their families and friends and in the situations and realities they find themselves.

The other thing that struck and puzzled me when praying with this reading was the King's (God's) response to the man who is not dressed appropriately. Why after dragging people in from the crossroads, perhaps at the last minute would he suddenly be upset that he is not dressed appropriately? But I think the invitation from God for us is about our disposition. Sometimes we are available but something stops us from being completely open to listening or receiving His choosing of us. Perhaps we keep ourselves too busy, or we don't fully trust in God ways or His will for us, our pride makes us believe we know best. A challenging question to ask God is what do you



want, and then really being open to whatever He asks, it can be scary, it may mean letting God challenge me and it often means letting go of control. But when we believe in a God who is love, and we trust that not only does He want our best but that He knows what's best for us we have a different disposition and we allow ourselves to be clothed with garments of salvation (cf Is 61:10).

Ann Marie D'Souza, FMVD

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

### PARISH ACTIVITY –TEAS /COFFEE

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

We also welcome parishioners and newcomers at our Coffee Morning on Thursdays after the 9.15am Mass.

*We need more volunteers to help out in this Parish activity on Sundays and Thursdays which people have found most helpful. Please contact the Parish Office [westgreen@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:westgreen@rcdow.org.uk)*



### CATECHETICAL PROGRAMMES 2023-2024

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

### CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME

Please submit the application form by the 15th October 2023.

Application Form at the back of the Church

### 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

### MEETING WITH THE PARISH PRIEST

The Parish Priest will like to meet with members of the following groups:

1. Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> of October 2023 in the Parish Centre, Hume Hall at 7pm

1. Irish Community.
2. English Community
3. Polish Community.

2. Friday 20<sup>th</sup> of October 2023 in the Parish Centre Hume Hall at 7pm

1. Filipinos.
  2. Indians /Goans, Sri Lankans.
  3. Other Asian's communities
3. October Devotion continues with exposition of the blessed Sacrament, Morning Prayer and Rosary Monday to Friday 8:30am, Mass 9:15am and Saturday 9:15am, Mass 10am.

## ALTAR SERVERS NATIONAL MASS AT THE CATHEDRAL



Thank you to all our Altar servers that last Saturday attended the National Mass at the Cathedral

### ST JOHN VIANNEY INTERNATIONAL DAY –

**{please note the change in date and time}**  
**19<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

**at the 11am Mass and in the Parish Hall after Mass until 4.00pm**

All Parishioners are invited to the International Day. The day will begin with the 11.am Mass. Bring flags from your country and present these during the offertory, come dressed in your national attire and bring some food that represents the cuisine of your country.

Tickets are £5 for adults and £2.50 for primary school children and Pre-School children are Free. Tickets are available at the back of the church after all the weekend Masses.

### LEGION OF MARY

Our West Green Praesidium of the Legion of Mary meets every **Tuesday at 7:30pm in Room 6 of the Parish Centre**. If you are interested in joining, just show up and introduce yourself. You will be most welcome

### INVITATION TO OUR MEMORIAL PRAYER VIGIL

Next Vigil **Monday 16th October, 2023**  
Opposite Home Office, Marsham Street, SW1P 4DF from 12.30-1.30pm. For further information contact  
johanmaertens@hotmail.com or  
[barbarakentish@talktalk.net](mailto:barbarakentish@talktalk.net)

### SJV NIGERIAN COMMUNITY

Please note, the SJV Nigerian Community meet every third Sunday after the 11am Mass in the Parish Hall.

### LECTIO DIVINA PRAYER GROUP

Meets every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month after 9.15am Mass, at Verbum Dei House, 10 Vincent Road. All welcome!

Next session **17<sup>th</sup> October, 2023**

### THANK YOU

A big **THANK YOU** for the generosity of parishioners' donations, we received a Gift Aid Tax of **£15,306.83**

### THANK YOU - CAFOD's FAMILY FAST

Cafod would like to thank the parishioners for their generous retiring collection last weekend which came to **£917.06**.

This collection will help Dr Nasha's mobile medical clinic get life-saving help to where it's needed most, fast – so when her team arrived in Meera's village in Pakistan after it had been destroyed by flooding. Meera rushed to the clinic to get treatment for her children. Please give or start a monthly gift to CAFOD. Use the envelope for our parish retiring collection this weekend, or go to [cafod.org.uk/fastday](http://cafod.org.uk/fastday).

### WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Next **Sunday, 22nd October 2023** is World Mission Sunday, when the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for Missio, his charity for world mission. Please support Missio in helping missionaries to work alongside communities throughout the world that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. Join in on this special day, that unites Catholics all over the world in prayer and celebration of our Church's mission to share God's love with all people. Please take an envelope available at the back of the church and return it next Saturday/Sunday. Or visit Missio's website [missio.org.uk](http://missio.org.uk) to give a single gift, set up Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation if possible.

### VISIT TO FR JOE AT COWLEY

**I'm ready for a visit on  
Saturday 21st October, if any takers!**



## **FEAST DAYS OF THE WEEK**

**Tues 17<sup>th</sup>. – St Ignatius of Antioch,  
Bishop & Martyr**

**Wed. 18<sup>th</sup> – St Luke, Evangelist**

**Thurs. 19<sup>th</sup> – Ss John de Brebeuf and  
Isaac Jogues, Priests and Companions;**

**St Paul of the Cross, Priest**

**Sat. 21<sup>st</sup> – Blessed Virgin Mary**

## **ROSARY**

Weekdays at 8.45am (before Mass)

## **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Tuesdays after Mass

## **FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION**

After the 10:00am Mass

## **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday 5:00pm-5:30pm

## **NEXT SUNDAY: 29th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIMES**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 45:1.4-6  
Psalm: Psalm 95  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5  
Gospel: Matthew 22:15-21

*Please check the notice board at the back of the  
church for other events we are unable to publish in  
the newsletter*

## **THIS WEEK WE PRAY FOR**

### **The repose of the soul:**

Marie Annick Blavier  
Jane Clark  
Michael Zando Alexander  
Mary O'Donnell  
John Barrett  
John Newell  
Sarah Jordan  
Jose Da Silva [remembrance]  
Eduardo Da Silva [remembrance]

### **RIP Anniversary**

Chloe Quilliec  
Kathie Bowers  
Corazon Manosca Hashiba  
Zoe Eileen Starling  
Agatha Lebrun  
Agnes Conroy  
Marie Aimee Elsie Nozarick

### **Special Intentions:**

Marie & the Rowley Family  
The Okechukwu/Agbasonye Family  
Ebe Haran  
Laura Oliveira  
Alyna Ng Ying Kalawan [birthday]  
Ann Breen  
John Russell  
Brian Waters

### **And for the sick and those in our parish**

Angela	Ann
Eduardo	Elsa
Emmanuel	Gabriel
Helen	Ivy A
Joan	John D
Kathy F	Kitty
Laura	Mary M
Michael J	Monica
Pantaleone	Patricia
Phil D	Pierina
Rose	Sheila
Veronica	Walter
Yollie	Yvonne

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