

ST. JOHN VIANNEY CHURCH

WEST GREEN N15 3QL

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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



FR JEROME'S OFFICE HOURS: Mon. Tues. & 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

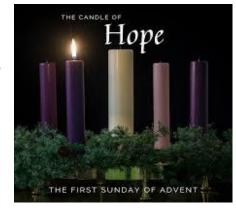
Fr Jerome O. Dukiya CSSp, Parish Priest Fr Vincent Nnatuanya CSSp, Asst. Priest Sr. Anabel Gonzalez FMVD, Parish Sister Germaine Ng Ying, Parish Adm/Secretary

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - 02nd /3rd DECEMBER 2023

Dear Parishioners

As we begin the awaiting of the Lord Jesus at the end of time, and his special coming at Christmas, the Mother Church offers us 4 weeks of reflection.

Isaiah the great prophet of the Messiah is one of the major parsonages we shall be encountering. After the return to Jerusalem from exile in Babylon the Israelites were passionately awaiting the Saviour. The ongoing conflicts in Israel and Palestine, (the struggle for home lands, and torritories) clearly call to mind the pand for the reign lacus



territories) clearly call to mind the need for the reign Jesus Christ the King of Peace in the life of the people and nations.

It is only in total acceptance the reign of God's kingdom through the Messiah who is and who we are expecting at Christmas and at the end of time, that we can find lasting peace. Paul in the second reading shows how a community like that of the Corinthians, which accepted Jesus Christ as the Messiah, is a Spirit filled community, benefiting from the work and fruits of the Holy Spirit which accompany all those who believe in Jesus Christ. As Christians, as people of faith we are call to manifest our faith through the power of the Holy Spirit by breaking all the bounds that are preventing us to bring Christ Jesus to our world.

As the Gospel admonished us, to stay awake and be ready for the Master. We can do this by reaching out to the poor and the most vulnerable in our society. We should be ready at all time, we are call to daily conversion and practicing our Christian's faith for the glory of God and service to humanity.

Fr Jerome Otitoyomi Dukiya, CSSp

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS

CATECHETICAL PROGRAMMES 2023-2024

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

SUNDAY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME

Next session: Every Sunday after 9am Mass

BAPTISM FOR INFANTS

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

NOTICES

1. FOODBANK:

Thank you for your generosity we were able to give out our first food aids on Wednesday. Such items as: toilet rolls, soap, detergent, basmati rice, spaghetti, lentils, noodles, couscous, oil, sugar, green tea, coffee, tinned tomatoes, tinned fish and tinned fruit. All items can be left in the green box at the back of church. Thanks for your generosities.

2. MASS OF INDUCTION:

Please kindly note this date in your agenda: The Mass of Induction of Fr. Jerome Otitoyomi DUKIYA C.S.Sp. as the Parish Priest of St. John Vianney West Green Road, will place at **7pm on Friday 15**th **December 2023.** The induction Mass will be presided by Bishop John Sherrington followed by a reception in the Parish Centre.

3. SJV-Youth and Young Adults

Are you between the age of 18 and 45? Kindly join our Youth and Young adults' group. Click on the QR code at on the notice board at the back of the Church. Our inaugural meeting will be in the Church Hall, today, **Sunday 3rd December 2023 at 12 Noon**. Be part of this historical moment.

4. **NEW PARISHIONERS**

We welcome all our New Members, and you are all invited to join us at our Coffee Mornings in the Parish Hall today after 9am and 11am Masses and on Thursday after the 9.15am Mass.

5. MASS BOOKING;

Starting from 1st of December 2023, we shall be introducing the traditional Mass intentions booking; this will help us to plan ahead and announce the particular intentions for the day. Please try to book ahead. You can book your Masses during the office hours with the Parish secretary, or on Saturdays and Sundays with the Priests. The minimum Mass offering is Ten Pounds.

Note that our general intentions book will still be used at every Mass.

6. PARISH ADVENT RETREAT

Our Parish Advent retreat is on the **16**th **of December2023**, starting with Morning Prayer at 9:15am.

7. ST JOHN VIANNEY INTERNATIONAL DAY - A BIG THANK YOU

To all who participated in our International Day event- the attendees, the caterers, dancers, singers, the donors and the organisers. The event raised a total sum of £943.50.

8. PARISH ACTIVITY -TEAS / COFFEE

We also welcome parishioners and newcomers at our Coffee Mornings in the Parish Hall on Sundays, after 9am and 11am Masses and after the 9.15am Mass on Thursdays.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOUL OF DENIS BROSNAN

His funeral Service will take place here on Monday 11th December, 2023 at 10:00am.

Followed by cremation at Islington & Camden Crematorium 11:45am. We keep his family and friends in our prayers.

May his soul rest in peace

MAKE CHRISTMAS SPECIAL WITH LIVE SIMPLY!

This year the Live Simply Group invite YOU to donate a present to a young person in our Parish. This Christmas will be a hard one for some of our families so, together with parents, we have found a way you can help ease the pressure. Parents have named a gift for a child in their family.

Anonymized cards with a named gift will be placed at masses on the weekend of 2nd and 3rd December. Simply pick up a card, buy and wrap that gift and hand it n to Sr Anabel by the 17th December.

Make a young person happy this Christmas!

SING! GOSPEL CONCERT

make a welcome return to St John Vianney on

Sunday 17th December, 1:30pm.

SING! Gospel choir is run by awardwinning choir director Jonathan
Rattenbury-Barlow and includes one of our own parishioners among their members. Their musical arrangements are unique with a modern Gospel sound which will leave you feeling uplifted and ready for the joyous Christmas Season! Under their old name, 'The BIG Sing: Gospel Voices', they won BBC Gospel Choir of the Year 2017 and have performed with various artists including Leona Lewis and Ellie Goulding.

Tickets £5 per person. Free for Children below 12.

A great way to get Christmas started and raise funds for the parish.

Start the celebration with tea and coffee in the parish hall after 11.00am mass.

All welcome

ST FRANCIS XAVIER'S FEAST

To our Goan Community we wish them a Happy Feast Day as they celebrate the Feast of St Francis Xavier the Patron Saint for Goa today, **Sunday 3rd December 2023** at Cypriot Community Centre, Earlham Grove, Wood Green N22 5HJ with a Mass in the centre at 12pm followed by a social.

We thank the North London Goan Community for their generous donation to this parish.

PARISH HALL RENOVATION

We wish to thank those who have donated £944.98

toward the Parish Hall renovation.

Thank you for your generous donations to date.

INVITATION TO OUR MEMORIAL PRAYER VIGIL

For those who suffer and died trying to reach safety in Europe and the UK on the third Monday of the month. Next Vigil Monday 18th December, 2023 Opposite Home Office, Marsham Street, SW1P 4DF from 12.30-1.30pm

For further information contact johanmaertens@hotmail.com or barbarakentish@talktalk.net

CHRISTMAS CAROL SINGING

Come and join us in Carol singing at Wood Green Shopping Mall (in front of Boots) on

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Wednesday 20th December 2023, 5 to 6pm.

ST. JOHN VIANNEY SCHOOL RECEPTION PLACES:

If you are looking for a place for your child for September 2024, there are still plenty of places available. Please contact the school office for more info and a tour (0208 889 8421

or <u>admin@st-</u> johnvianney.haringey.sch.uk).

Catholic Saint Feast Days in December

FEAST DAYS OF THE WEEK

Mon. 4th – St John Damascene, Priest & Doctor

Wed. 6th – St Nicholas, Bishop

Thurs. 7th – St Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor Fri. 8th – The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary [Patron of the Diocese] Sat 9th St Juan Diego Cuauhlatoatzin

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

1st Friday after 9:15am Mass Saturday 5:00pm-5:30pm

Let us pray for peace in Gaza, Ukraine and the world.



NEXT SUNDAY: 2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5.9-11 Psalm: Psalm 84:9-14 2 Reading: 2 Peter 3:8-14 Gospel: Mark 1:1-8

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:

Denis Brosnan Patrick Anthony Carroll Romaldina Fernandes Roy Williams

RIP Anniversary

Sebastian St Paul *[Birthday Remembrance]* John Lyons Thomas Donald O'Sullivan

Special Intentions:

Fr Jerome Dukiya (birthday)
Deacon Michael Hasdak (Ordination)

Angela Pinto Billy O'Keefe Ebe Haran Jim Cassins Kathy Nyland John Russell Laura Oliveira Michael James

Mr & Mrs Joey Gonito [Thanksgiving]
The Waters Family

And for the sick and those in our parish

Angela P Ann T Eduardo P Billy Elsa G **Emmanuel O** Gabriel M Helen E Ivy A Joan C John D Kathy F Kitty M Luisa R Laura O Marie R Mary M Michael J Monica H Pantaleone M Patricia J Phil D Pierina R Rose M Sheila C Veronica O Walter H Yollie P

NAMES NOT LISTED ABOVE ARE LISTED IN OUR BOOK OF INTENTIONS

Yvonne J