

ST. JOHN VIANNEY CHURCH

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MORNING PRAYERS RECONCILIATION

Mon-Fri: 8:30am Sat: 9:15am MASS TIMES

Saturday: Parish Priest: Fr. Jerome Otitoyomi Dukiya CSSp.
10:30 -11:30am
Office hours: Mon, Tues, & Fri: 10:30am-2:30pm

Mon – Fri: 9.15am 5:00pm-5:30pm

Sat: 10am

Sat Vigil Mass: 6pm PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER:

Sunday Mass: 9am, 11am, 12.30pm

Tola Aleshe, westgreen1@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

Holy Days of Obligation & Solemnity: 9:15am & 7:30pm

SUNDAY 2nd February 2025. The Presentation Of Our Lord

This Sunday we are celebrating the Feast of The Presentation of the Lord. Mary and Joseph brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to him to dedicate him to the Lord. The passage from Luke 2 that describes this moment and describes how Simeon, a good man, who was waiting for the Lord to act for his people, is inspired by God to come to the Temple at just that moment. Simeon has the sensitivity to discover God's presence in Jesus, and describes him as a 'Light of revelation'. He experiences how in the midst of everything they are living, being in a country occupied by the Romans, lacking freedom, the presence of the baby Jesus in carried by Mary and Joseph brought Light to his life, Light in the darkness of what they were living. Jesus' life was a sign that God had kept his promises and so gave him hope, peace, a new horizon. He believed that Jesus' life was a Light for all people

Reflecting on this, perhaps at some point of our life there has been a moment when we were like Simeon, experiencing darkness, waiting for light and then someone brought light, hope to us: perhaps there was a time when I was feeling lonely, or was living a difficult situation and someone helped me by reaching out to help me, or visited me when I was ill, or comforted me, etc.... Perhaps without realizing it, they were bringing you light, bringing you Jesus. Today on this feast day, I invite you to think of that person or those people who have brought light into your life, and during this week to give thanks for all of them.

And at the same time think of those that you have been bringing the light of Jesus into their lives, like Mary and Joseph bring the light to Simeon. Often, we might not be aware of this, you might say, I don't think I've been bringing light to anyone, but often we do not value how much difference our own life can make for others.

Many of you are a light for me, showing a dedication to your faith in your life, trying to bring up your children in the Christian faith, volunteering in so many different ways, participating in the parish groups. We are nourished by each other's faith, and it helps us to persevere, our faith journey is a light for many and I thank you for all that light given.

In the world right now, there is a lot of darkness, We can feel but the beautiful thing about today's Feast, is how Simeon was able to notice God working even in the presence of a little baby, so even if our gestures of faith and love seem small, there are people who are "Simeons" waiting to receive light and hope from us, and they are capable of noticing that light even in ways that we often do not value.

Have a good week, Anabel Gonzalez, FMVD

LEGION OF MARY

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS

PARISH ACTIVITY – MORNING TEAS /COFFEE

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

We welcome all our New Parishioners, kindly join us in the hall for MORNING TEAS/COFFEE

NOTICES

1. MISSIO

Today. Tomorrow. Together

Thank you for keeping the Missionary Spirit alive across England Wales.

Kindly return the **Missio Red Box** that is already filled up and those who are willing to collect a new one should please indicate to the office. Thank you all for your generosity and may God bless you all.

- 2. Kindly pray for the repose of the soul of Fr. John Buckley. He was curate in our Parish. RIP
- 3. PRISH CENTER: Thames Water misconnection of water pipes in the Parish Center. After due consultation of the Parish finance committee, we have carried out the work. The total cost amount to £3,000, kindly donate toward this work, we count on your generosity. We have received donations of £50, last week: Total: £2,340. Thank you to the generous donors and we are still looking forward to more donations. God bless you all.

LECTIO DIVINA PRAYER GROUP

Meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month after 9.15am Mass.

Meets every **Tuesday at 7:30pm** in Room 6 of the Parish Centre. If you are interested in joining, you will be most welcome.

ARCHCONFRATERNITY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. Devotion to the Holy Spirit Meets Every First Friday of Month at

Meets Every **First Friday of Month** at 7.30pm at the Church.

LIVESIMPLY /JPIC

Meeting every **1st Sunday of the Month** after the **9am** Mass.

SJV NIGERIA COMMUNITY

Meeting every **3rd Sunday of the Month**after the **11am** Mass

Diocesan Weekly Job Update

Diocesan Weekly 30b opdate		
Job Title	Department	Closing
	Name	date
Catechetical	Kenton	04/02/2025
Coordinator		
Parish Cleaner	Dollis Hill	11/02/2025
Cathedral	Westminster	11/02/2025
Fundraising	Cathedral	
Manager		

For further details, please visit https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/

Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for Matrimony at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 17th May 2025 at 2:30pm

The Cardinal invites couples in the Diocese celebrating in 2025 their 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, and 60th (and any year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage. Please give your parish these details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, number of years married, postal address, email (or phone number, if no email). Details of attendees are then sent by the parish to family@rcdow.org.uk

COMING EVENTS

15th of February 2025 Mass for the sick @ 12 NOON

Parish Gift Aid Form & Standing Order

- 1. Kindly support your Parish by picking and filling the Gift aid Form and the Standing Order Form at the entrance of the Church.
- 2. As you look through all the pledge cards, you need to CAREFULLY check whether the Gift Aid declaration is applicable:

To be qualified for the Gift Aid you must fulfil these conditions bellow;

- 3. You must pay an amount of U.K income tax and / or capital gains tax at least equal to the amount of tax that the Charity reclaims on your donations in the tax year.
- 4. You can cancel this declaration at any time by notifying the Charity.
- 5. If in future your circumstances change and you no longer pay tax on your income and capital gains equal to the tax that the Charity reclaims, you must cancel your declarations.
- 6. As any tax refund received by the Charity will be made at the basic rate, higher rate tax payers will benefit through additional tax relief if they declare their Gift Aid Declaration on their Tax return.
- 7. This Declaration refers to all donations for which the Charity has record of receipt.
- 8. Please notify the Charity if you change your address.
- 9. Kindly fill in the form and return it back to the Church.

THIS DECLARATION MUST BE IN <u>ONE</u> NAME ONLY.

Medjugorje Pilgrimage
21st May 2025 for 7 Nights
£829per Person. For more information please contact:

Mario Pereira 07985 5533225 Virginia Pande 07809 724043 or Rosie Dias 07927 319279

- Willing to help couples forge a lifelong loving relationship? Marriage Care is a charity that runs marriage preparation courses for couples marrying in a Catholic church, and is looking for new course facilitators. Training is provided, and volunteers will join the local Centre. For more information, please call Karen on 0800 389 3801 (09:00 - 17:00, Mon - Thurs) or visit our website at: https://www.marriagecare.org.uk/mpcf/.
- 2. **PAX CHRISTI:** Thank you for your generous contribution to the work for peace in the world. Amount raised was £457.83. God bless you all.

3. <u>Free computer coaching for the over 60s -</u> Palmers Green

Local charity, Generation Exchange in partnership with St. Anne's Catholic High School for Girls run a unique intergenerational computer project whereby young volunteers from the school provide 1:1 IT support to older people. New project starting on Tuesday 27th February at 11.30am-13.00pm at the Upper School in Palmers Green for 10 sessions. Available for the over 60s living in the boroughs of Haringey or Enfield. Places are limited - for more info & to register, contact Leonie on 07713937811 or generationexchange2@gmail.com

4. Olive wood carvings from the Holyland. The Good Shepherd Company from the Holy land (Bethlehem) based in Nottingham, will come to our Parish, on the weekend 22/23 February, to sell **their products.** They support and help the Christian families in the Holyland, to stay at work, as olive wood carve is one of the most important sources of income for them, 90% of the Christians rely on this sale. So, by buying their produce here, it will prevent the forty-one thousand Christians left in the area, from leaving the country in search of other job's opportunities.

5.We are saddened to announce the demised of Eduard Pane, Antonio Carri, Sheila Courtney and Victorine Walker who were members of our parish, May their souls rest in peace.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration on Tuesday after 9.15 Mass

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

After the 10:00am Mass

CATECHETICAL PROGRAMMES 2024-25

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

FR&HC CLASSES

Next Session: Feb 8th, 10am

CONFIRMATION

Next Session: Feb 8th at 4pm

RCIA

Tuesday 6pm

INFANTS BAPTISM 2nd Saturday of the Month

Application Forms at the back of the Church.

And for the sick and those in our parish

Magdalene

Angela Ann Billy Eduardo Elsa Emmanuel Gabriel Helen Ivy A Joan John Kathy Kitty Luisa Laura Marie Michael Mary Patricia Phil Pantaleone Caesar Pierina Sheila Rose Yollie Veronica Manuel Cathy **Dolores Dennis** Lawrence **Gerard Rowley** Yuen Kuen Tsui Kwok Chai Tsui

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:

Sheila Courtney

Antonio Cerri

Gilbert Noriega

Manuel Lopez

Barbara Magaret McCauley

Walter Heaton

Udochukwu Valentine

Mary Earle

Mr. Parker

Benny Feely

Michael Shields

Monica Halpin

John Calderbank

Lazarus Ikediasia

Rose Monde

Gilbert Chicot

GodsPower Amadi

Michael Clarke

Gilbert Nelson

Alberto Ibanez

Emelita Baldago

Gabriel Bobadilla

Mrs Jones

Peter Maguire

RIP Anniversary

Luiza Fernandes

Brian Waters

Marie Mendy

Santiago M Torres

Henry Francois

Bridget Gaynor

Pamela Faulkner

Angelina Boi

James O'Donnell

Bob Lemmon

Angelo Cattini

Agnes McMahon

Tommy Butlar

Yvonne Enid Joseph

Special Intentions:

Alice Mills

Angela Pinto

Billy O'Keefe

Jim Cassin

John Russell

Kathleen Moore

Laura Oliveira Max

Oliveira Michael

James Pitman

Family Haplin Family

NAMES NOT LISTED ABOVE ARE LISTED IN OUR BOOK OF INTENTIONS

Holy Land, Ukraine and.

