

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.
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 23rd March 2025 3rd Sunday of Lent

Dear parishioners,

I hope you are having a wonderful week. It has been nice to enjoy the warm weather we have been having recently, it feels like Spring might be around the corner.

Today's Newsletter has been written by some of our young people who, attended the Diocesan youth conference, "Flame", last week at Wembley. It was an inspiring event titled "Unstoppable", encouraging us to be unstoppable in pursuing Gods call for our lives and knowing that with Him we are unstoppable in the world. Below are some experiences written by SJV young parishioners: When I was performing Flame, I felt excited for the big moment to perform to a crowd of people. I was playing as a homeless person and it gave me confidence to go on stage to perform. This is an amazing event as it's the UK's largest Catholic youth gathering, which connects everyone from all around the world and I enjoyed everything here at Wembley OVO Arena performing and getting to watch other people on stage dancing, performing, singing and speaking. I'm thankful for this to happen and I hope to perform again!!! **Wisdom Okereafor**

The Flame Wembley 2025 event was an incredible experience that brought together thousands of people in a vibrant celebration of Christianity. The atmosphere was electric as artists performed on stage, captivating the audience with their energy. I enjoyed watching thrilling performances and singing various praise songs that engaged everyone. The emphasis on being "unstoppable" was inspiring and the audience loved it. There was even a foreign guest who came all the way from Kenya just to speak to us. There were several speakers-such as Bear Grylls (who even gave us his own book inspired by the gospel of Jesus). Overall, the event was fun and a great way to worship the Lord collectively. **Joshua Dos Santos Domingo**

The flame was a really eye-opening experience where I learnt many new things including how to start my own connection with God and how to speak to him in my everyday life. We listened to various types of songs and heard stories from a variety of people, talking about their lives, their relationships with God and how they developed and changed their perspective on life. I felt a deep connection with God as I learnt about the many ways he helped people from around the world, for example people who even starting from nothing and were "no bodies" to world- known companies and people who set an example for the new and younger generation. Flame was a surreal experience which I hope to attend in the future. **Kristella Mikeii**

May their experiences inspire us and renew our own faith and desire to be unstoppable in our pursuit of God and the happiness He desires for us.

Have a blessed Sunday Sr Ann Marie, FMVD

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. The Annunciation** of The Lord Feast on Tuesday 25th March 2025. Masses are at 9.15am and 7.30pm.
- **2. Finance Committee Meeting** on Wednesday the 26th March 2025 at 7.30pm.
- **3. CAFOD Fast Day** thank you to all who contributed towards CAFOD Fast Day last weekend. May God bless you all.
- **4. Tickets for the Passover Meal** is available after all Weekend Masses.
- **5. Stations of The Cross** every Wednesday after the 9.15am Mass and every Friday at 7.30pm throughout the Lenten Season.
- **6. PARISH CENTER:** Thames Water misconnection of water pipes in the Parish Center. We thank all you all for your generous contributions toward this project. God bless you all.
- 7. 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/

- 8. 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
- **9. 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.
- 10. Legion Mary THE ACIES on the 30th March 2025 at 2:30pm at Church of Mary, Mother of God 192 Nag Head Road, Ponders End Enfield EN3 7AR tel. number 0208804 2149 all members and auxiliary are welcome.
- 11. A Lifeline for Marriage! Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Has your marriage become stressed, unloving, cold? Do you argue often? Do you want to improve your communication? Have you separated, divorced, or are you thinking about it? Do you want to try again? The Retrouvaille programme may be just what you need! For more information please do contact 07887296983 or 079733804
- 12. Pa. J.F. DUKIYA, the father of our Parish Priest was awarded the Papa Medal, Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice ("For Church and Pope" in Latin) is a decoration of the Holy See. It is currently conferred for distinguished service to the Catholic Church by lay people and clergy. The conferment ceremony will take place in Lokoja Nigeria on the 25th of April 2025.
- **13. Diocesan Weekly Job Update**For further details, please visit
 https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/

Job Title	Department Name	Closing date
Finance Manager	Finance	28/03/2025

LECTIO DIVINA PRAYER GROUP

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

LEGION OF MARY

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 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

GHANAIAN CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION

Will be meeting on Sunday the 30th of March 2025 after the 11.00am Mass.

KEEP THESE DATES IN YOUR DAIRY

12TH OF APRIL 2025
OUR PARISH LENT RETREAT
10AM TO 3PM.

5TH OF MAY 2025
OUR ANNUAL DEANERY WALK

26TH MAY 2025
JUBILEE 2025
DEANERY PILGRIM OF HOPE
AROUND LONDON.

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:
- **3.** To be qualified for the Gift Aid you must fulfil these conditions bellow;
- **4.** 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.
- **5.** You can cancel this declaration at any time by notifying the Charity.
- **6.** 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.
- **7.** 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.
- **8.** This Declaration refers to all donations for which the Charity has record of receipt.
- **9.** Please notify the Charity if you change your address.
- **10.** Kindly fill in the form and return it back to the Church.

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

23RD OF MARCH 2025
12:30 MASS TO BE ANIMATED BY THE
GOA COMMUNITY

30TH OF MARCH 2025
12:30 MASS TO BE ANIMATED BY
THE PARISH YOUTH

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: March 29th, 10am

CONFIRMATION

Next Session March 29th, 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

Yuen Kuen Tsui

Angela Ann

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

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

Kwok Chai Tsui

THIS WEEK WE PRAY FOR The repose of the soul:

John Francis Moran Victorine Walker Eduard Pane Sheila Courtney Antonio Cerri

RIP Anniversary

Luiza Fernandes

Special Intentions:

Alice Mills Angela Pinto Billy O'Keefe Jim Cassin

NAMES NOT LISTED ABOVE ARE LISTED IN OUR BOOK OF INTENTIONS

LENT 2025

During Lent, we traditionally Pray, Fast and Give Alms, it is a time remember relatives and friends and others in special prayers by our daily sacrifice. Please write your intentions and Names of those you are praying for on the white forms and place it in the LENT BOX, you may also place your donation in the BOX in front of the Cross. They will be prayed for during all the Masses during Lent. Part of the plan is that you would attend Mass as

Let us pray for peace in Holy Land, Ukraine and the World. We also pray for Pope Francis speedy recovery.