



ST. JOHN VIANNEY CHURCH

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THE
SPIRITANS

MORNING PRAYERS

Mon-Fri: 8:30am

Sat: 9:15am

MASS TIMES

Mon – Fri: 9.15am

Sat: 10am

Sat Vigil Mass: 6pm

Sunday Mass: 9am, 11am, 12.30pm

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

RECONCILIATION

Saturday:

10:30 -11:30am

5:00pm-5:30pm

Parish Priest: Fr. Jerome Otitoyomi Dukiya CSSp.

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THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS 14TH SEPTEMBER 2025

In today's Gospel, Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross, Jesus recalls the desert experience of Moses and the Israelites he was leading to the promise land. Many Israelites, due to the hardships they were experiencing while journeying, spoke against the Lord. The Lord got angry at them and sent fiery serpents which killed many Israelites. The Lord relented when they begged and asked forgiveness. Moses was instructed to make a symbolic serpent attached at the end of the pole and declared that whoever is bitten need only to look at the serpent and they will be healed.

In the same way, Jesus, the Son of Man, will be raised (on the cross) and will be the source of life eternal for those who will believe. The cross has so many meanings both to Christians and non-Christians. For Christians alone, it is a sign of inhumanity by man, humanity of God, love, sacrifice, justice, and obedience. This feast may refer to the triumph of the Christian Faith, symbolized by the cross. It is not the cross itself which is exalted but the saving action of Jesus through the cross. That which was a symbol of absurdity, scandal, pain, and death, had become the central symbol of the Christian Faith because of the meaning Jesus gave to it. Jesus changed the meaning of the cross.

The cross has become life to every Christian. When Jesus chose to die on the cross, He put an end to death and let eternal life enter. Salvation, through the cross, became the greatest irony in human history. That which was the place of death to many had become a source of new life to many.

Today's feast is not a mere remembering or re-enactment of how Jesus gave meaning to the cross. This feast is a reminder that we have our own crosses to carry and die on. The true follower of Jesus knows his fate. Our crosses have different sizes in the same way that we have different magnitude of challenges in life.

Nevertheless, we accept our crosses and endure them in faith. We know that, like Jesus, our cross will not be the source of our end but the beginning of new life. Our cross reminds us that life is not a bed of roses. Nevertheless, it will lead us to life eternal.

BY: Fr. Benny Tuazon

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. Planned Giving Drive

Will take place this month, (September) for three consecutive weeks, 14th, 21st & 28th. The last planned giving drive was in 2016. The aim of the planned giving drive is to keep the parishioners abreast of the growth and development of the Parish and to help us to see of new ways of improvements. Thank you for your cooperation.

2. **Novena to Padre Pio** starts Today **14th – 22nd of September 2025.**

3. **Announce Collection for Evangelic Gaudium Day** will be in all Masses next Week.

Evangelii Gaudium Sunday 2025

I believe...

Evangelii Gaudium Sunday will be celebrated in our parishes on **21 September 2025.**

This year, the Church has been celebrating a significant anniversary. It's 1,700 years since the Council of Nicaea. This great gathering of Bishops from around the Church began the work to formulate the creed we proclaim Sunday by Sunday. It is the content of this creed that is our mission, so that we may know and love God in this life, in order to be happy with him forever in the next. The creed begins with a profound proclamation, "I believe..." This is the theme for *Evangelii Gaudium Sunday* 2025.

4. **Choirs Practice** members of the Parish are invited to join the choir as new hymns will be practice each other Sunday after the 11am Mass.

5. **THE SJV LIVE SIMPLY GROUP/JPIC.**

We like to say a big thank you to Daniel St Guillaume for all his services to our Parish. Daniel and his wife will be leaving us at the end of September to Enfield and we will surely miss them. We wish them both good luck in all his endeavors.

6. **Blessed Pere Jacques- Desire Laval C.S.Sp.**

Thank you to all who attended the Memorial Mass for Fr. Jacques Desire Laval last week Tuesday and a special thanks to all who organized it.

7. We would like to send our sincere appreciation to the late

Theodore Owen John D'Cruz

Family for their generous donation of £1000 to the Church from his Memorial Donation.

8. **FOODBANK:** Thank you for your generosity. 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.

9. **FOOD VOUCHERS AND ASSISTANCE SCHEME.**

Kindly help feed one vulnerable by donating **£7.50** per meal. This scheme has been on, in the Parish for a long time, we now have more people on the demands due to high cost of living. We received a donation Of £105. From an anonymous donor. Thank you for your supports.

10. **Medjugorje Pilgrimage: 16th October 2025** for 7 Nights, **£799** per Person sharing a Room. Please contact: Mario Pereira 07985 5533225 Virginia Pande 07809 724043 or Rosie Dias 07927 319279.

11. **MACMILLAN CANCER RESEARCH**

There will be sale of cakes in the hall after the Mass to raised fund for Cancer Research kindly support this noble event.

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 3 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 having their Quarterly Meeting in September **2025** after the 11am Mass.

Kindly support your Parish by picking and filling the Gift aid Form and the Standing Order.

JUSTICE & PEACE INTEGRITY OF CREATION

OUR DEPARTED MEMBERS

We regret to announce the deaths of;
Gretta Richardson, was a long serving member of the church.

CHRIST IS OUR HOPE (COL. 1:27)



SPIRITAN YOUTH CONCERT

25.10.25



location: St.
Mellitus,
Tollington Park,
London, N4 3AG

GET YOUR FREE TICKETS HERE!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL, WHO ARE CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK. Kindly come out for Special Blessing

VACANCY

Job Title	Department Name	Closing date
Parish Administrator	New Barnet	12 September 2025
Parish Administrator	Holloway	12 September 2025
Programme & Hub Coordinator	Seeds Hub	19 September 2025
Archives Assistant	Archives	26 September 2025

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

**ADORATION OF
THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Adoration on Tuesday after 9.15 Mass

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

After the 10:00am Mass

CATECHETICAL PROGRAMMES

**For 2025-2026 Application
Forms are at the back of the
Church**

**For any enquiries, please
contact the Parish Office.**

**FIRST RECONCILIATION &
HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES**

CONFIRMATION

RCIA

INFANTS BAPTISM
2nd Saturday of the Month
Application Forms at the back
of the Church.

YOUTH CORNER



**Kindly scan the QR code to join SJV
Youth group. You are the future of our Parish.**

**Last week the Parish Priest met with some of
our Young Stars. A telephone number created
to reach out to them/their parents, for
effective communication.**

This Parish is part of the Westminster Roman Catholic Diocese Trustee Charity No.233699

And for the sick and those in our parish

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

**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:

Raphael Kplorlali Mensah
Joseph Anthony Oswin Clarke
Jim Cassin
Dominic Poole
Ann Maddock
Rene Ombroisine
Carmelina
John Francis Moran
Victorine Walker
Eduard Pane

RIP Anniversary

Maria Josefina Da Silva
Luiza Fernandes

Special Intentions:

Alice Mills
Angela Pinto
Billy O'Keefe

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

**Let us pray for peace in
the World.**

**Let us continue to pray for the souls
of all the faithful departed to rest in
perfect peace.**

