



# 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

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday:

10:30 -11:30am

5:00pm-5:30pm

**Parish Priest:** Fr. Jerome Otitoyomi Dukiya CSSp.

Office hours: Mon, Tues, & Fri: 10:30am-2:30pm

**Assistant Priest:** Fr. Emmanuel Nsereko CSSp.

## PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER:

**Tola Aleshe**, [westgreensg1@safeguardrcdow.org.uk](mailto:westgreensg1@safeguardrcdow.org.uk)

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

## 5TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIMES 8TH FEBRUARY 2026

**"Faith That Shows: Being Salt and Light in Ordinary Life"**

On this Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Word of God draws us deeply into the vocation of visible, lived holiness. The First Reading from Isaiah (58:7–10) dismantles any temptation to reduce religion to ritual alone. True worship, the prophet insists, is expressed in concrete acts of mercy: sharing bread with the hungry, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked. When faith becomes embodied love, then "light shall rise in the darkness." God's presence is not revealed primarily in grand gestures, but in justice, compassion, and solidarity with the vulnerable. *Psalm 112* echoes this vision, portraying the righteous person as one whose generosity and integrity make them a light for others. Holiness, therefore, is not withdrawal from the world but faithful engagement with it.

In the same way, the Second Reading (*1 Corinthians 2:1–5*), St. Paul deepens this theme by reminding the Corinthians that the power of the Gospel does not rest on eloquence or human wisdom, but on the saving power of Christ crucified. Paul deliberately renounces rhetorical showmanship so that faith may be grounded in God's action rather than human performance. This humility is itself a form of light—one that points beyond the preacher to the Crucified Lord. The Christian life, Paul suggests, is most luminous when it allows God's power to be revealed through weakness. Authentic witness flows not from self-promotion but from trust in the Spirit who works quietly yet effectively in receptive hearts.

Finally, the Gospel (*Matthew 5:13–16*) brings these readings to their climax as Jesus names his disciples "the salt of the earth" and "the light of the world." Salt preserves and gives flavour; light reveals and guides. Both are effective only when they are used, not hidden. Jesus does not ask his followers to create light, but to reflect it—through good works that glorify the Father. This is not a call to public display for its own sake, but to a life so rooted in love, humility, and service that it naturally points to God. On this Sunday, the Church is reminded that her mission is credibility: a faith that tastes real and a holiness that shines in daily life, so that a watching world may glimpse the goodness of God. May God grant us the Grace to be able to live as the salt of the earth and the true light of the world!

**By Fr. Emmanuel Nsereko CSSp**

## 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. **Collection for Racial Justice** amount raised was £429.38p thank you all for your generosity.
2. Thank you to the anonymous donor who gave us **£2000** to buy a new **Monstrance** for Adoration in the Church. May God richly bless you.
3. Day for **Victims of Trafficking**.
4. Please bring the **old Palm** front from your home to the Church before **Ash Wednesday**.
5. **14th February is Valentine Day.** The is love feast celebration in the Hall at 8pm. Come with drinks and shared food. Dress code Red & White.
6. **Jumble Sale** every 2 Months in the Parish Hall. Looking for a volunteer to handle the Church Money and the Raffle your help will be highly appreciated.
7. Caritas St Joseph. supports people with intellectual disabilities and their families through training and resources, individual and group support, visits and practical advice, inclusive Masses, inclusive activities, and parish-based support. If you feel it would be helpful to you, kindly contact the Parish office for further information.

8. Marriage Week, celebrated annually from 7–14 February, highlights and supports marriage and family life. In its 10th anniversary year, it reflects on key themes from Amoris Laetitia: joy, love, mercy, discernment, and mission. This year's celebration is especially significant as it coincides with the installation of the new Archbishop, Richard Moth, on 14 February.

The text draws a powerful parallel between marriage and episcopal leadership through the symbol of a ring. Just as couples exchange rings as a sign of lifelong commitment in marriage, the archbishop receives a ring as a sign of his faithful, loving, and permanent bond with his diocese. In both vocations, the ring represents covenant rather than contract, emphasizing relationship, self-gift, fidelity, sacrifice, and care for others.

The blessing of the rings in both marriage and episcopal ministry highlights God's presence, grace, and the sacred responsibility of each vocation. Ultimately, the ring is presented as a symbol not merely of emotion, but of lifelong commitment—marriage and priesthood lived as covenants, publicly expressed and sustained by God's grace.

See link below for the full text.

<https://rcdow.org.uk/marriage-and-family-life/news/with-this-ring-i-pledge-my-love-to-you-/>

**Happy Birthday / Anniversary to all, who are celebrating this week. Kindly come out for special blessing.**

## LECTIO DIVINA PRAYER GROUP

Meets every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

## 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. Thank you for your supports.

## 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**.

Funeral for **Pauline Mooney - Wednesday 11**

**February at 12 noon** at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St George Catholic Church, 45 London Road, Enfield, EN2 6DS. (nearest station Enfield Town). Followed by burial at Enfield Crematorium & Cemetery, Great Cambridge Road (A10), EN1 4DS. Reception from 2pm at Jolly Farmers (downstairs function room) 2 Enfield Road EN2 7QS. (short bus ride from Church or 30 minutes walk). The funeral will be live streamed and can be watched here: <https://youtube.com/@catholichenfield?feature=shared>

## SJV NIGERIA COMMUNITY

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

## Ghanaian Catholic Association

Quarterly Meeting

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

## JUSTICE & PEACE INTEGRITY OF CREATION

### Tickets on Sale for Medjugorje Pilgrimage:

**Please contact: Mario Pereira 07985 5533225  
Virginia Pande 07809 724043 or Rosie Dias  
07927 319279.**

**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.

Job Title	Department Name	Closing date
Justice & Peace Coordinator	Caritas Westminster	09/02/2026
Youth Social Action Coordinator	Caritas Westminster	09/02/2026
Countertenor Lay Clerk	Cathedral Lay Clerks	12/02/2026
Parish Organist	Whitton	13/02/2026
Parish Administrator	Millwall	16/02/2026
Parish Administrator	Dollis Hill	19/02/2026
Parish Outreach Worker	Kensal Rise	20/02/2026
Electrical Testing Engineer	Health & Safety	20/02/2026
Parish Support Partner	PST	20/02/2026
Parish Office Assistant	Brazilian Chaplaincy	26/02/2026

**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.**

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

Andy  
Magdalene  
Angela

Elsa  
Gabriel  
Ivy A  
John  
Kitty  
Laura  
Mary  
Pantaleone  
Phil  
Caesar  
Rose  
Veronica  
Manuel  
Dolores  
Dennis  
Gerard  
Yuen Kuen Tsui

Ann  
Zaldy  
Emmanuel  
Helen  
Joan  
Kathy  
Luisa  
Marie  
Michael  
Patricia  
Pierina  
Yollie  
Cathy  
Lawrence  
Rowley  
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:**

Pauline Mooney  
Deborah Alvares  
Aidan Chidarkire  
Livie Noel  
James Morgan  
Michael Twesigye  
Kathleen Foley

**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.**

