



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

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

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT 15TH MARCH 2026

The readings for the Fourth Sunday of Lent highlight God's surprising ways of choosing, the symbolism of light as hope and revelation, and Jesus as the one who brings true spiritual sight. Together they invite believers to trust in God's mercy and to recognize Christ as the source of enlightenment and salvation.

The first reading centers on the calling of David, the youngest son of Jesse, whom God chooses as the future king of Israel. This moment begins the lineage of the promised messianic king that Christians believe is fulfilled in Jesus. The story emphasizes that God does not judge by human standards such as outward appearance or status. Just as God chose Abel over Cain and Joseph over his older brothers, David though the youngest and least expected is selected for a special role. Yet David's later failures, including grave sins, show that human achievements do not earn God's favour. Instead, the story highlights the importance of God's mercy and forgiveness, reminding believers that they must rely on God's grace rather than their own merit.

The theme of light emerges as a powerful biblical symbol of hope, guidance, and divine presence. In the Old Testament, God is described as dwelling in inaccessible light, representing holiness and truth. In the New Testament, this image is applied to Jesus, who proclaims himself the "light of the world." The Gospel reading recounts the healing of the man born blind, one of the Gospel of John's great signs revealing Jesus' identity. The story is rich in irony and contrast. Those who believe they possess knowledge and authority the Pharisees actually demonstrate spiritual blindness by refusing to recognize the miracle as a sign of God's work. Meanwhile, the once-blind man grows in faith and insight. The more the religious leaders' question and reject him, the more firmly he is drawn toward Jesus.

The narrative also reflects tensions within the Jewish community toward the end of the first century, when followers of Jesus often faced exclusion from the synagogue. While the healed man's parents fear such consequences, the man himself boldly acknowledges the truth of what Jesus has done. The readings emphasize that God reveals truth and grace in unexpected ways. God chooses unlikely individuals, offers mercy despite human failure, and brings light where there was darkness. In this Lenten journey, believers are invited to open their eyes to Christ, the true light, and to look forward with hope to the joy of Easter and the promise of new life.

HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY TO ALL MOTHERS

Fr. Jerome Otitoyomi Dukiya C.S.Sp

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

HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY TO ALL MOTHERS

- 1. Finance Committee Meeting** on Wednesday 18th March at 7.30pm.
- 2. Fr Emmanuel** has arrived safely home in Uganda please keep him in your prayers.
- 3.** There will be a Funeral Mass for the late **Mr Jean-Claude Dardenne** on **Friday 27th March at 10am** here in the Church. This we surly affects the cleaning of the Church after the Mass, we are appealing that the cleaning should be done on Saturday 28th of March after the Mass as part of our retreat. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause our wonderful helpers. God bless you all.
- 4. Parish Lent Retreat:** Saturday 28th of March. Starting with the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Morning Prayer and Rosary at 9:00AM, Mass at 10:00AM, Penitential Service and Sacrament of 1st reconciliation after the Mass. Coffee break at 11:30. Talk at 12NOON - 1:00 PM, Lunch: 1:30PM, Cleaning of the Church 2:30pm.
- 5.** We received a donation of the **Statue of Our Lady of Vailankanni** it will be installed in the shrine of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in the Church. Thank you to the donor, may our Mother Mary continue to bless you.
- 6. Bible Studies;** we are inviting our youths to our Bible studies every Sunday after the 11am Mass in the hall room 6.

- 7. St Patrick's Day Celebration** will be this **evening** at **5pm-8pm** in the Parish Hall.
- 8. Stations of The Cross:** Throughout the Lenten Season, Station of the Cross will be on **Wednesdays** after the **9:15am** Mass and on **Fridays** at **7:30pm**.
- 9. Passover Meal** will be on the **26th March** from **7pm** in the Parish Hall. Ticket are **£5** per person must come and see.
- 10. Jumble Sale** every 2 Months in the Parish Hall. The next sale is on the 26th of April. Tea and coffee morning will be in the Big Hall that day. A total sum of £135.55 was realised last month.
- 11.** Our Parish will be celebration its **Centenary next year 2027**. We are forming a Planning Committee and invite volunteers to join us kindly indicate your interest at the Parish office. Let us walk together to make this milestone celebration memorable.
- 12. Bishop Douglass School** are able to offer a small number of year 7 spaces to any parents or careers who have not secured a secondary school place for their child in September 2026, or are unhappy with their offer. The school's bespoke and personalised Transition Programme ensures that all children feel confident to begin in September. This begins with a Welcome Event on Tuesday, 11th March from 4:15 pm. Any interested parents can sign up using this [link](#), or can contact the school on admissions@bishopdouglass.barnet.sch.uk or phone **020 8444 5211** for further information.

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

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 the Small Hall at 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

Quarterly Meeting will be on the **15th of March 2026** 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

Tickets on Sale for Medjugorje Pilgrimage:
Please contact: Mario Pereira 07985 553325
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.

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.

Job Title	Department Name	Closing date
Parish Bookkeeper	Edgware	17/03/2026
Housekeeping Assistant	Neasden/Stone bridge	20/03/2026
Parish Administrator/Bookkeeper	Pinner	25/03/2026
Parish Hall Cleaner	Tower Hill	25/03/2026

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
Angela

Elsa
Gabriel
Ivy A
John
Kitty
Laura
Mary
Pantaleone
Phil

Rose
Veronica
Manuel
Dolores
Dennis
Gerard
Yuen Kuen Tsui

Magdalene
Ann
Zaldy
Emmanuel
Helen
Joan
Kathy
Luisa
Marie
Michael
Patricia
Caesar
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:

Julia Cronin
Pauline Mooney
Deborah Alvares
Aidan Chidarikire
Livia 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.**

