



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. CSSp.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER:

Tola Aleshe, westgreensg1@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

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

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT 22ND MARCH 2026

The text reflects on three biblical passages that focus on the theme of life, resurrection, and the work of God's Spirit.

The prophecy of Ezekiel is described as taking place during one of the darkest periods in Israel's history, when the people were exiled in Babylon and had lost hope. In his famous vision of the valley of dry bones, God commands the prophet to breathe upon the bones. In Hebrew, the same word means both breath and Spirit, symbolizing the life-giving power of God. When Ezekiel breathes, the bones come together, are covered with flesh, and rise as a vast army. The immediate meaning of this vision is the restoration of Israel as a nation, returning from exile to new life in the Promised Land. However, the Christian tradition has long understood the prophecy to have a deeper meaning: it foreshadows the resurrection of individuals through the Spirit of God. As Christians approach the celebration of Christ's resurrection at Easter, this passage reminds believers of their own future resurrection.

The second reading reflects on the teaching of, especially in Romans chapter 8. Paul explains salvation through the self-sacrifice of Jesus and how believers share in Christ's death and resurrection through baptism. The Spirit of Christ now lives within believers, guiding and transforming them. While their bodies are not yet fully transformed, the Spirit already empowers them to live according to God's will. Later letters, such as and, emphasize that believers are already spiritually raised with Christ, awaiting the full revelation of this life in glory. The Spirit, also called the Paraclete, leads believers into truth and strengthens them for God's work.

Finally, the Gospel story of shows Jesus giving life to his friend. Unlike the final resurrection, Lazarus returns to normal earthly life and will die again. Yet this miracle is the greatest of Jesus' signs, revealing both his divine power to give life and his deep human compassion, shown when he weeps for his friend and shares in human sorrow.

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

1. **St Patrick's Day Celebration** thank you to all who attended it was a lovely day. Amount raised was **£865**.
2. Thank you to **Goan Community** for animating the 12:30pm Mass last week Sunday.
3. **The Annunciation of The Lord** this Wednesday 25th of March 2026 at 9.15am and 7.30pm.
4. **Passover Meal** will be this Thursday 26th from 7pm in the Parish Hall. Tickets are £5 per person must come and see.
5. **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.
6. **Lent Fast Day** Offerings, kindly put it in the Box.
7. **Holy Week** starts next week Sunday, which is **Palm Sunday**.
8. There will be a Funeral Mass for the late **Mr Jean-Claude Dardenne** on **Friday 27th March at 10am** here in the Church.
9. **Bible Studies;** we are inviting our youths to our Bible studies every Sunday after the 11am Mass in the hall room 6.

10. 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**.

11. 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.

12. Daughters of Divine Love English Region Fundraising Raffle Ticket are on sale for £5. Please come to the Parish Office to get your tickets to support our sisters.

13. 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 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
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.**

