ST. JOHN VIANNEY CHURCH

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THE SPIRITANS

MORNING PRAYERS	RECONCILIATION	
Mon-Fri: 8:30am	Saturday:	Parish Priest: Fr. Jerome Otitoyomi Dukiya CSSp.
Sat: 9:15am	10:30am-11:30am	Office hours: Mon, Tues, & Fri: 10:30am-2:30pm
MASS TIMES	5:00pm-5:30pm	Assistant Parish Priest: Fr. Peter Ehinmiro CSSp.
Mon – Fri: 9.15am		Office hours: Wed, Thurs: 10:30am-2:30pm
Sat: 10am		PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER:
Sat: Vigil Mass: 6pm		Tola Aleshe, westgreensg1@safeguardrcdow.org.uk
Sunday Mass: 9am, 11am, 12.30pm		Holy Days of Obligation & Solemnity: 9:15am &7:30pm

32ND SUNDAY 8TH NOVEMBER 2026

In the Bible, Wisdom is understood not simply as human knowledge gained through education, experience or maturity, but as a reflection of God's own divine Wisdom. It is through this Wisdom that God created the world and continues to guide humanity. Everything created is good insofar as it reflects God's Wisdom. In the New Testament, Jesus is presented as the incarnation of both God's Wisdom and Word, being the first-born and the fulfilment of God's creative purpose. Since Wisdom is a feminine noun in Greek, it is often personified as a woman inviting people to her banquet. Although Wisdom can only be granted by God, He willingly shares it with those who sincerely seek it. Therefore, Christians are encouraged to remain spiritually awake and prepared to receive this divine Wisdom.

The second reading addresses the concerns of the early Christians in Thessalonica about believers who had died before Christ's second coming. They wondered whether the deceased would miss the promised victory of Christ. Paul reassures them through the image of a Roman triumphal procession, in which a victorious general return with his army amid celebration. Similarly, Christians who have died will share in Christ's victory, and those still alive will join them. Paul's message is one of hope and confidence in the resurrection and the reunion of all believers. Although nobody knows when Christ will return, we can trust in God's promise that death will not separate them permanently.

The Gospel reading presents the parable of the ten bridesmaids, emphasizing the importance of preparation for the coming of the Lord. In Jewish wedding customs, the bridegroom would come to collect his bride, accompanied by torches to celebrate the occasion. In the parable, five bridesmaids were wise because they brought oil for their torches, while the other five were foolish because they brought none. The oil represents good works and the spiritual preparation necessary for God's kingdom. The central message is not simply about staying awake, since all ten bridesmaids fell asleep, but about being adequately prepared for the bridegroom's arrival.

Ultimately, these readings encourage us to seek God's Wisdom, remain confident in Christ's victory over death, and live lives characterized by faith, good works and constant spiritual preparation for the joyful coming of the Lord.

Fr Jerome Otitoyomi Dukiya C.S.Sp.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS

We welcome all our new parishioners and those visiting. Kindly join us in the hall for morning tea and coffee, after 9am and 11am Masses.

NOTICES

1. **Memorial for the Faithful Departed:**
Prayers and Masses will be offered for your loved ones throughout the month. Kindly place your intentions and donations in the box provided. On Sunday, 29th November, a special Memorial Mass will be celebrated at all our weekend Masses. During these Masses, candles will be lit in memory of our departed loved ones.

2. **Sick and Retired Priests Collection** will be next week in all weekend Masses

3. **Our Parish Centenary**
The 100 Club: This is an opportunity to win cash prizes while supporting the Parish. Starting in November 2026. You can buy for £5 a dedicated numbered lottery ball on the last Sunday of each Month. The draw will take place and the winner announced on the first Sunday of each Month after the 9am Mass.

4. **CATECHISM CLASSES**

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Are you an adult who wishes to be baptised, receive First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation, or simply deepen your faith? Please collect a registration form from the back of the church, complete it, and return it to the parish office. **Classes begin in January 2027.**

Preparation for Reconciliation and First Communion sessions 2025-26

Preparation sessions for Reconciliation and First Communion begin on Saturday, 21 November 2026, with Mass at 10 am, followed by separate sessions for children and parents. Attendance is important for both. A parents' information meeting will be held on Monday, 9th November, at 7 pm in the Church Hall.

5. We are looking for volunteers to work with the children's parents on Sunday morning after 9am Mass for an hour, while the children are at their class. This involves supporting parents to support their children to prepare. If you are interested or want more information, please contact the Parish office 0208 888 5518. Many thanks.

6. **Confirmation Class** starts on Saturday **21st** of November at **3:30PM.** Meeting with the Parents at **3PM.**

7. **Our Parish Centenary – 2027**
As part of our celebrations, we would like to publish a special parish cookery book featuring your own favorite recipes. Please email your recipes to sjvcentenaryevents@yahoo.com or pick up a form at the back of the church, write your recipes and bring it back the following week. Thank you for your support.

8. **Introduction of our Centenary Year!**

As we begin our journey towards celebrating our Centenary Year (1927–2027), we are pleased to present to you our next Activities 29th November sales of lottery numbers. 6th of December; Lottery draw after 9AM Mass. Solemn Opening Mass of the Centenary Year in all our Weekend Masses.

9. **YOUTH CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE**

Come and join us for a joyful celebration as we prepare for Christmas! **Sunday 29th November 2026 at 2:00pm In the Church**
Children of all ages are warmly invited to take part in our special Christmas Carol Service.

Rehearsal Dates: Saturday 21st November at 3:00pm and Saturday 28th November at 3:00pm. Both rehearsals will take place in the Church. We look forward to seeing lots of children and Youths joining in the singing and celebrating the true meaning of Christmas!

10. Fr. Jerome will be travelling next week and will re-join the Parish on 20th November. In the meantime, kindly contact Fr. Peter Ehinmiro for any urgent matters or assistance.

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 Monthly 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

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. We received a donation of £15 last week, thank you to the generous donners. 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 support.

YOUTH CORNER

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

World Youth Day Kore

29th July - 9th August 2027

Join us as we travel to Japan and South Korea to join young Catholics from around the world to celebrate World Youth Day 2027. Kindly contact the office or the Parish Priest.

Our Parish Youth will be selling cakes to raise money towards this event. After all our weekends Masses.

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Magnifica Humanitas

The Friends of Westminster Cathedral are inviting everyone on Wednesday 4 November at 6.30pm to Westminster Cathedral Hall, for a talk by Fr Hugh MacKenzie on *Magnifica Humanitas*. For further details and tickets visit https://westminstercathedral.org.uk/news-events/

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

ADORATION OF
THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Adoration on Tuesday after 9.15 Mass

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION
After the 10:00am Mass

CATECHETICAL PROGRAMMES
For 2026-2027 Application Forms are at the back of the Church

FIRST RECONCILATION & HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES

CONFIRMATION

RCIA
Rite OF Christian Initiation of Adults

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

For any enquiries, please contact the Parish Office.

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Job Title	Department Name	Closing date
Site Supervisor	St Albans and St Stephens	11/11/2026
Signs of Hope Manager	Caritas Hope	12/11/2026
Specialist Support Worker, Modern Slavery	Bakhita House	13/11/2026

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

And for the sick and those in our parish

Andy
Angela
Zaldy
Emmanuel
Gabriel

John
Kitty
Laura
Mary
Pantaleone
Phil
Pierina
Rose
Yollie
Manuel
Dolores
Dennis
Gerard
Yuen Kuen Tsui

Magdalene
Ann
Elsa

Helen
Joan
Kathy
Luisa
Marie
Michael
Patricia
Caesar

Veronica

Cathy

Lawrence
Rowley
Kwok Chai

Chapter 1 THIS WEEK WE PRAY FOR
The repose of the soul:
Patrick Joseph Walsh
Gloria Hodgson
Angela Amorelli
Ellen Elmes
Pierina Ricci
Nora O'Sullivan
James Thumum
Ann Toussaint
Dorothy May Ward
Leonard Manuel
Gretta Sweeney
Ivy Fernandes
RIP Anniversary
Maria Josefina Da Silva(Heavenly B/day**)**
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.

