



# OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION PARISH NEWSLETTER

## MASS Times

Weekdays 12:00 noon  
Saturday 12:00 noon & Vigil 7:00 pm  
Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am &  
12:00 pm & 2:00 pm

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday  
11:00am - 12:00 noon &  
6:15pm - 6:45pm  
or available on request

## ADORATION

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday  
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm  
Friday 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Saturday from 9.00 am - 4.00pm & Sunday from 11.00am to 1.30pm.

## COMMUNITY

Fr. Liam O'Donovan SCA, Fr. Joe McLoughlin SCA, Fr. Tom Daly SCA, Rev. Deacon Jayson Wingrove

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**“At this Christmas when Christ comes, will He find a warm heart? Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving the others with God's own love and concern.”**

**Mother Teresa**

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## Christmas Bazaar

“Thanks a million” to everyone who helped in any way to prepare the Parish Centre for our Christmas Bazaar, the whole Centre looked fabulous. Thanks also to all who donated items for us to sell, prizes for the raffles and bottles for both the Bottle Stall and the Irish Coffees. Plus, of course, thanks to you if you came and supported our parish. There are too many names to mention individually, but “*you know who you are!*”

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## Ealing Churches Winter Night Shelter

We are starting the Ealing Churches Winter Shelter this Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December in the Parish Centre. Please remember the guests and volunteers in your prayers.

For the Christmas week Mandy Hudson is having an information evening on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre for any volunteers who have put their name on the list of helpers for the week.

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## Carols on Greenford Broadway for the homeless

Please join us to sing Christmas Carols outside Iceland on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December, from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm. You can stay for an hour or for the whole time. All fund raised will be in aid of the homeless in our community here in Greenford. On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December, we are having a rehearsal for our carol service at 1.00 pm in the Old Church Hall.

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## Save the date

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> December – New Year's Eve Dance

**Tickets available from the Parish Office**

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February – Quiz Night

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March – Disco Bingo

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## Coffee Drop-in

The Coffee Drop-in for December will be taking place next Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December after the 10.00 am, 12.00 noon and 2.00 pm Masses. Donations of cake will be very much appreciated. All welcome.

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## Carole's Candles

Come along and see the handcrafted candles, bouquets and unique Christmas gifts on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December after the 10.00 am and 12.00 noon Masses in the Old Church Hall. All items handmade by Carole.

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## Funeral Arrangements

**Secondo Negrotti** Mass at 1.00 pm, Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December, Visitation Church, to be followed by burial in Greenford Park Cemetery.

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## Recently Deceased

Please pray for Samuel Shillingford and Geddes Lalgie who died recently. Funeral arrangements to be announced.

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## Sunday Collections

23<sup>rd</sup> / 24<sup>th</sup> November £2,720.00

Sick & retired priests fund £565.00

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### **Proposed Controlled Parking Zone Greenford South**

Ealing Council is proposing a Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) in Greenford South and Greenford Town Centre. As most of you are already aware, the church carpark is fully utilized during school time in order to accommodate both the Visitation Primary school and Cardinal Wiseman Secondary school staff. This means that those who come for funerals, weddings and other church services during the week rely heavily on parking on streets in the nearby area. Additionally, as there are limited spaces in the church carpark, many of the school staff have to park on the street during school time. Therefore, the Council's proposal would cause significant cost and disruption to both church services and school staff.

We would like you to join us as a church community in opposing this proposal. The only way to submit your objection is through the council website. Go to the website address below of scan this QR code and complete form.



[https://www.ealing.gov.uk/info/201042/current\\_consultations/3424/new\\_controlled\\_parking\\_zones\\_in\\_greenford](https://www.ealing.gov.uk/info/201042/current_consultations/3424/new_controlled_parking_zones_in_greenford)

**Closing date is Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December.**

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### **Meeting with Ministers of the Word**

The Lectionary, which is the book that contains the Scripture readings for Mass and the Sacraments, is changing as part of the continuing process of revising liturgical translations. The process began with the Roman Missal in 2011 and has continued with all the other liturgical texts. The new Lectionary will use the English Standard Version – Catholic Edition of the Bible. The changes are intended to make the biblical translations more faithful to the original languages, biblical scholarship, and to provide a text for use in liturgical setting that is more proclaimable and, where appropriate, more inclusive. The new lectionary volumes will be used from 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent 2024 in all dioceses in England and Wales.

**To aid Ministers of the Word with these changes we will meet with them after each of the Masses THIS weekend. Please come into the sacristy directly after Mass.**

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### **Scam Emails Targeting Parishioners**

The ICT department of the Dioceses of Westminster have informed us of the rise of scam emails targeting parishioners. These emails impersonate the parish priest, often using a similar email name and masking the real email address. They typically request the recipient to purchase Amazon or other gift cards as gifts for the priest.

Unfortunately, we have received reports of parishioners falling victim to these scams, with some individuals losing up to £600 to the fraudsters.

Please do not respond to any of these emails. If you are ever unsure please contact the parish office.

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