

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

"The Lord is coming, always coming. When you have ears to hear and eyes to see, you will recognize him at any moment of your life. Life is Advent; life is recognizing the coming of the Lord." Henri Nouwen~

Defibrillator

Thanks to the fundraising efforts of our Catholic Women's League, the parish now has a defibrillator. The CWL would like to thank everyone who supported this endeavour.

Winter Night Shelter

For the Christmas week, Mandy Hudson is having an information evening on Thursday 19th 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.

Pre-Marriage Course

For couples from the parish getting married here or elsewhere, the Pre-Marriage course is on Saturday 22nd February 2025, at 9.30 am in the Parish Centre. Please call the parish office to book a place (020-8578-1363).

St. Vincent de Paul Society - Vinnie Packs

The SVP are distributing over 10,000 homeless packs (Vinnie Packs) during the extreme cold weather.. Please could you consider sponsoring packs at a suggested donation of £4.10 per pack? Donations can be sent to Vinnie Packs, PO Box 72264, London SW1P 9EZ with cheques made out to SVP or by bank transfer to Nat West sort code 60-60-04, account no. 4608 8237 . Thank you so much for your support."

Children's Christmas Pageant

6.00 pm Mass on Christmas Eve., Tuesday 24th December. The rehearsal will be next Saturday 21st December from 1.00 pm to 3.00pm, in the Old Church Hall. Acting parts for children under 7 yrs. Readers between 8 and 12 yrs. On the night all children are encouraged to dress as angels or shepherds for the Mass.

Saturday Breakfast Club

Thank you for all who donated clothes for the Breakfast Club wardrobe. We are now fully stocked and taking no more donations for the foreseeable future. However, we would appreciate donations clean, good quality men's trainers.

Funeral Arrangements

Vittoria Siddiqi

Service 1.00 pm, Tuesday 17th December, at the graveside, **Greenford Park Cemetery**.

Noreen Geelan

Mass 10.00 am, Friday 20th December, Visitation Church, to be followed by burial in South Ealing Cemetery.

Andrew Brennan

Mass 1.00 pm, Monday 30th December, Visitation Church.

Recently Deceased

Please pray for, Maurice Heston and Kathleen McGowan who died recently, Funeral arrangements to be announced.

Sunday Collections

7th / 8th December £2,210.00

Standing Orders and online payments for November

£4,057.00

Card Donations £880.00

THIS week's second collection will be for Flowers for Christmas.

Times of services over Christmas

Monday 16th December Our Lady of the Visitation School Carol Service 6.00 pm

Wednesday 18th December Our Lady of the Visitation School Carol Service 2.00 pm

> Saturday 21st December Parish Penitential Service 11.00 am to 2pm

> > **Tuesday 24th December Christmas Eve**

Carols from 5:30pm. Carols from 11.30 pm

Children's Mass 6.00 pm Carols from 5:30pm. Children's Mass 6.00 pm. Carols from 8.30 pm, followed by Mass at 9.00 pm. followed by Mass at 12.00 midnight

Wednesday 25th December **Christmas Day** Masses at 8.00 am, 10.00 am, 12.00 noon and 2.00 pm

Thursday 26th December - St. Stephen's Day Mass at 12.00 noon

Tuesday 31st December Mass for the Goan Community at 9.30 pm, in Konkani.

Please note: The Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday 25th December and Thursday 26th December, and Wednesday 1st January 2025.