

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

"'If you knew the gift of God!' The wonder of prayer is revealed beside the well where we come seeking water: there, Christ comes to meet every human being. It is he who first seeks us and asks us for a drink. Jesus thirsts; his asking arises from the depths of God's desire for us. Whether we realize it or not, prayer is the encounter of God's thirst with ours. God thirsts that we may thirst for him.'"

Catechism of the Catholic Church 2560

<u>Don't forget to put your clocks</u> FORWARD next weekend (Saturday 29th March).

Mother's Day Afternoon Tea celebration 29th March

We are celebrating this special day of the year with an afternoon tea in the ballroom(Parish Centre) from 3.00-5.00 pm. There will be a selection of sandwiches and cakes, scones with jam and cream. Tickets priced at £10 per person and must be prebooked before Sunday 23rd March.

Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony

Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 17th May, 2.30 pm The Cardinal is inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese, who are celebrating their 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give your parish clergy the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email and telephone number.

Please note that the deadline is Monday 7th April.

Friendship Club

Please note that the Friendship Club will be closed on Thursday 10th and 17th April for the Easter Holiday.

Funeral Arrangements

Patricia Grant

Mass at 10.00 am, Thursday 27th March to be followed by cremation at Breakspear Crematorium

Rudy Otter

Mass at 10.00 am Friday 28th March, Visitation Church, to be followed by cremation at Breakspear Crematorium

Mary Carolan

Mass at 1.00 pm, Tuesday 1st April, Visitation Church, followed by cremation.

Mary Ellen Spillane

Mass at 1.00pm Wednesday 2nd April followed by burial in Greenford Park cemetery.

Anthony Greenwood

Mass at 10.00 am, Thursday 10^{th} April, Visitation Church.

Sunday Collections

15th / 16th March

£3,111.00

Collection of Envelopes

The new envelopes will be available this weekend.

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE DO NOT GO HOME TODAY WITHOUT COLLECTING YOUR ENVELOPES!

If you are a tax payer, we urge you to join the <u>Planned Giving Scheme</u>. That way, and at <u>no extra cost to you</u>, the Government will give 25p for every pound you donate. To claim this, we need to be able to show that we have received the gift from you. This can be done in any of 3 ways: by weekly numbered envelopes, by cheque or by standing order.

Lenten Programme 2025

Pathway of Healing and Sanctification

Fr. Rozario Palic (Fr. Rozo) will be leading a Lenten Mission here starting on Thursday 3rd April 5.00 pm, with Mass at 7.00 pm and on Friday 4th April from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm. Mass will be at 12.00 noon. Both days are the same, so you only need to come once.

Thursday Evening 3rd April from 5.00pm – 9.00pm Friday 4th April from 10am – 3.00pm

Programme

Rosary Prayer for Inner Healing Catechesis HOLY MASS 7.00pm (Thurs) 12noon (Fri) BREAK Eucharistic Adoration Individual Blessing - Laying of Hands

St Josephs Men's Group

Foster a deeper connection with God, build authentic brotherhood, and grow in virtue. In today's world, many men struggle with isolation, distractions, addictions and a lack of purpose. We invite you to join us for this Lenten Challenge that will lead you to a deeper freedom in Christ, through prayer, asceticism and fraternal support.

Our first meeting will be on Thursday 13th March at 7:30pm in the Parish Centre.

For more information email Fr. Liam at liamodonovan@rcdow.org.uk

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will take place in the church at 7.30 pm on Fridays during Lent.

First Friday

On the Friday 4th April, we will have our First Friday Devotions as usual. Adoration will begin at 5.00 pm. There will be Rosary at 6:30pm, Stations of the Cross at 7.00 pm followed by Mass at 7:30 pm.

Lenten Reconciliation Day

On Saturday 12th April from 11.00 am to 2.00 pm, we will be having Lenten Reconciliation Days. This will include adoration and Mass. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered throughout.

40 Days for Life

Volunteers are needed this Lent to give an hour a week from Ash Wednesday 5th March until Palm Sunday 13th April to pray at the vigil for the closure of the abortion clinic in Ealing. Please support them by offering some of your time. To find out how you can help, please call Sarah on 07776-256-838 or email London40daysforlife@hotmail.com.

On Sunday 13th April at 3.00 pm, in the Old Church Hall. 40 Days for Life will be celebrating their closing event. There will be a talk, with light refreshments.

<u>Jubilee Pilgrimages</u>

Pilgrimage to France (Our Lady of La Salette, Curé of Ars & House of Ven. Marthe Robin)

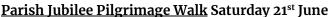
4th to 8th August 2025. Total Cost £750. per adult sharing

For more information email Fr. Liam at liamodonovan@rcdow.org.uk or leave your name in the parish office.

<u>Medjugorje 26th May to 2nd June 2025</u> £760 .per adult sharing

For more information please contact Fr Joe on 07587818145 or Agnes on 07920840783

<u>Medjugorje Youth Festival 3rd to 10th August 2025.</u> £827 .per adult sharing £400 children under 18 (will engage in fundraising projects to collect the excess) For more information please contact Fr Joe on 07587818145 or Agnes on 07920840783



Walk from Westminster Cathedral to St George's Cathedral, Southwark, where we will celebrate Mass. More information to follow.