



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 noon & 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. John Egan SAC, Fr. Joe McLoughlin SAC, Fr. Tom Daly SAC

National Lottery Community Fund

We are delighted to announce that we have been awarded a grant of £20,000.00 from the National Lottery Community Fund to go towards the renovation of the Old Church Hall. This generous funding will make a valuable contribution to our work to improve the Old Church Hall for the benefit of our local community; we will be concentrating on ceiling insulation and new windows. We are incredibly grateful to The National Lottery Community Fund for their support and investment in our project. Thank you to everyone who has supported us along the way!

Quiz Night, Saturday 26th September

Visitation Parish Centre, Adults only (18 plus), maximum number per team is 6 players and can be made up on the night. Doors open at 7.30 pm, quiz starts at 8.15 prompt. Cash/card bar, tea, coffee and snacks available. Ticket price £5.00 without food, or £10.00 with hot food. Tickets will be available from the weekend of 29th/30th August.

Catholic Women's League

The September meeting of the CWL will take place on Monday 7th September, in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

Winter Night Shelter

Once again, this year we are hosting the shelter for four Friday nights on behalf of the Ealing Winter Night Shelter in December. We are looking for someone to co-ordinate this wonderful programme. If you have any questions or would like further details, please contact David on 07968-423-860. Many thanks.

Save the date

Family Disco on Saturday 17th October, more details to follow.

Parish Centre Booking

David Doyle has stepped down as Parish Centre Co-ordinator. The new co-ordinator is Candida, and the contact number is 07469-702-349.

Mass Leagues

The Mass League enrolment cards now include a picture of St. Charbel (ask for no. 41).

Funeral Arrangements

Kevin Pereira

Mass at 10.00 am, Tuesday 1st September, Visitation Church.

John Brophy

Mass at 9.45 am, Saturday 5th September, Visitation Church, to be followed by cremation at Breakspear Crematorium.

Michael Grant

Mass at 1.00 pm, Tuesday 8th September, Visitation Church, to be followed by cremation at Breakspear Crematorium.

Sunday Collections

The recent CAFOD Venezuela Earthquake Appeal raised £1,120.00. Many thanks for your generosity.



CATECHESIS NEWS & EVENTS
Email: kim.olvgreenford@gmail.com

The Sacraments are not simply milestones to be celebrated, but part of a lifelong journey of discipleship in Jesus Christ. Rooted in worship, community, and ongoing faith formation, they invite us into a deeper relationship with God and His Church. For this reason, those seeking Baptism (for infants and children), First Holy Communion, or Confirmation are expected to be registered and active members of the parish community at OLOV, regularly participating in Sunday Mass and parish faith formation programmes.

Baptism

If you would like to have your child baptised, contact Kim at least six weeks before your proposed Baptism date.

Little Sunday Liturgies

For all children before they start First Holy Communion Preparation. Twice a month - every 1st and 3rd Sundays during term time.

Exploring Catholicism

Exploring Catholicism (18 yrs + RCIA): Fortnightly sessions for adults interested in exploring the Catholic Faith or preparing for Baptism or Confirmation. Email Kim for more details - kim.olvgreenford@gmail.com

Youth Groups

Ignite (ages 9–13, post-First Holy Communion) Sundays at 10:30 am, twice a month.

Echo (ages 12–17)– Sundays 10:30–11:30 & Thursdays 7–8 pm, twice a month.

Leap (ages 14–17, post-Confirmation) – Thursdays 7–8 pm, twice a month

The Cost—and the Beauty—of Discipleship

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks plainly: *"If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let them renounce themselves, take up their cross, and follow me."* Peter recoils at the idea of suffering, yet Jesus shows that love without sacrifice is incomplete. The cross is not a punishment; it is the place where self-giving love becomes real. Every time we choose patience over anger, forgiveness over resentment, generosity over self-interest, we "take up our cross" and discover the life Jesus promises. St Paul urges us to "let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind." Discipleship is not about dramatic gestures but daily conversion—allowing God to reshape our priorities, soften our hearts, and widen our compassion. May this Sunday renew our courage to follow Christ wholeheartedly, trusting that the path of the cross always leads to resurrection. Soften our hearts, and widen our compassion. May this Sunday renew our courage to follow Christ wholeheartedly, trusting that the path of the cross always leads to resurrection.