



The Gospel
Luke 3:1-6

The word of God came to John.

In our chaos, oh, let us hear once again
the Baptist crying out to us:

“Prepare the way, make straight the paths.
Every valley filled and hill made low.
All flesh shall see the salvation of God.”

God of endless newness,
carve fresh roads into our wilderness.
Let our whole life point
to Jesus.

He has been born and will be
with us now, turning our deserts
into gardens.

During this very busy time of year, please look after your
personal possessions whilst out shopping, and keep
temptations away from others.

Our Lady of the Visitation Parish

Under the pastoral care of the Pallottines, Society of the Catholic Apostolate.
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COMMUNITY

Fr. Eugene Lynch SCA, Fr. Tom Daly SCA,
Fr. Kevin Ward SCA, Fr. John Egan SCA.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Saturday	9.00 am – 4.00 pm
Sunday	10.00 am – 1.30 pm

MASSES

Monday – Friday	12.00 noon
Saturday	12.00 noon
Sunday	7.00 pm Saturday – Vigil Mass 8.00 am, 9.00 am, 10.30 am 12.00 noon and 7.00 pm
Confessions (Saturday)	11.00 am – 12.00 noon and 6.15 pm – 6.45 pm

6th DECEMBER 2015

THE SECOND SUNDAY of ADVENT (Year C)

The readings for today's Mass are on
page 84 of the Mass book.
The Creed – page 11 The Lord's Prayer - page 57

The response to the Psalm is:
What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad

The Acclamation is:
*Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your cross
and resurrection you have set us free.*

Christmas Novena cards are now available in the Parish Office, together with parish diaries and the Westminster Year Book 2016, priced at £4.50.

FLOWERS for CHRISTMAS

The flowers in the church are always very beautiful and really enhance the celebrations of the Eucharist. Next week's second collection will be for flowers to decorate the church during the Christmas celebrations.

YEAR of MERCY

The Year of Mercy will begin this Tuesday, 8th December, the feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mass will be at 12.00 noon, choir members are invited.

BAPTISM MEETING

The Baptism meeting for December will take place THIS Sunday, 6th December, at 10.00 am in the Church Meeting Room, which is around the church and up the ramp near the car park. Please bring a copy of the child's birth certificate

SUNDAY SCHOOL NATIVITY

You are invited to the Parish Centre for the Sunday School's Nativity Pageant at 10.30 am next Sunday, 13th December, followed by refreshments. Next Sunday is also our last day before Christmas, we will be back on Sunday, 10th January 2016.

CONFIRMATION 2016 – PREPARATION REMINDER

As explained at the recent meeting for parents and candidates, "Come and See", the introductory sessions for the Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday groups will be held during the week, beginning Monday 7th December. All meetings will begin at 7.30 prompt in the Parish Centre.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTRY

If you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister, please leave your contact details in the Parish Office. You would be welcome to come along to the meeting mentioned below.

MEETING for EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS and READERS

On Sunday, 13th December at 11.30 am in the Parish Centre, there will be a meeting for all Readers and Eucharistic Ministers. The meeting will conclude with a recommissioning ceremony for the year ahead.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Last weekend's Christmas Bazaar raised the astonishing amount of £5,413.45. A huge thank you and congratulations to all involved in achieving this amount.

CARDINAL WISEMAN ADVENT SERVICE

The Cardinal Wiseman School invites you to their Annual Advent Lessons and Carols Service on Wednesday, 9th December at 6.00 pm in the Church, featuring the School Choir, the Choir from Our Lady of the Visitation School, a staff choir and a Polish choir. There will be many sing-along songs to help you celebrate Advent and prepare for Christmas.

VISITATION YOUTH GROUP

Donations of a table tennis table, pool table or similar equipment in good condition would be most welcome. Please contact Maxine Chichon-Potgieter – 07917 408048

THE GREAT ADVENTURE

Commencing on Tuesday 2nd February, 2016, at 7.30 pm for 7 consecutive weeks, Fr. John invites you to join him, once again, for "The Great Adventure – Journey through the Bible". A special course for everyone with a genuine interest in Scripture which assumes no previous study of the Bible. The course is free, but places need to be booked. Please contact the Parish Office on 020-8578-1363 to book your place.

KNITTING GROUP

During last week's Bazaar, a lady asked for a matching hat to be made for a scarf she bought. The hat has now been made and is awaiting collection \in the Parish Office.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

Maria Eves

Mass 10.00 am, Friday 11th December, Visitation Church, followed by burial in Greenford Park Cemetery.