

THE GOSPEL

Mark 8:27-35

"But who do you say that I am?"

Jesus,
you ask us
over and over,
"Who do you say
that I am?"

Show us you are.

In every joy, take our hands.
In every sorrow, take our hands.
Then we will know you well,
love you well,

Raising up your cross will not be so hard
if you are there with us,
holding our
hands.



Tuesday 14th September
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Wednesday 15th September
Our Lady of Sorrows

Our Lady of the Visitation Parish

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

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OFFICE HOURS

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| Monday - Saturday | 9.00 am – 4.00 pm |
| Sunday | 10.00 am – 1.30 pm |

MASS TIMES

From Monday to Saturday Mass at 12.00 noon will be streamed
online and on Sundays only both 12.00 noon and 2.00 pm Masses
will be streamed online.

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/greenford/>

Saturday – 12.00 noon and 7.00 pm
Sunday – 8.00 am, 10.00 am, 12.00 noon and 2.00 pm.

Confessions – Saturdays 11.00 am to 12.00 noon.
and 6.15 pm to 6.45 pm

ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT
will also be streamed online on
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
from 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm,
and First Friday of the month from 5.00 pm to 9.00 pm.

**THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
(YEAR B)
12th SEPTEMBER 2021**

First Holy Communion 2022

The application forms for the First Holy Communion programme for 2022 are now available in the Parish Office. Please bring the completed form, together with a copy of the child's baptism certificate to the Parish Office **by Sunday 24th October.**

Confirmation 2022

Next year's programme of preparation will be offered to young parishioners who are in year 10 or above, and who are resident and participants in our Parish community. Application forms for candidates are now available both in the Parish Office and on the Parish website; <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/greenford/sacramental-prep/confirmation/> Please complete the application and return to the Parish Office as soon as possible. Further details of the programme will be provided when we receive your application.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.) Journey in Faith

An invitation to those considering becoming a Catholic, to Catholic adults wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, or if you simply desire to deepen your understanding of the faith. We will begin our R.C.I.A. course in November, running until April. The group will meet on Tuesdays at 8.00 pm in the Parish Centre for 1 hour. Applications are available in the Parish Office or online at <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/greenford/sacramental-prep/rcia/>

For more information about Confirmation or the RCIA programme, please contact Fr. Liam on 020-8578-1363 or email to greenfordparish@gmail.com.

Book Amnesty

If you have accidentally taken home a **mass book** or a **parish hymn book**, it would be much appreciated if you could return it or them to the church. Many thanks

Reflection on today's Gospel

"Who do you say I am?"

Yes: who do you say Jesus is? – this is the fundamental question of our faith. Is he a lunatic? Or a liar, or maybe just a poor, good man, maybe a visionary who was not understood by people around him, who lived 2,000 years ago and was wrongly killed and... full-stop? Or, maybe he is who he is said he is: The SON of GOD. Because if he really is who he said he is, it changes everything.

If we listen to His words they give us hope and a totally new meaning and purpose. If we believe Him, there is Heaven, and there is a space prepared for us. If we believe in Him, we are invited to a relationship with a living person, with a living God, who bridges this impossible distance between humanity and the Almighty God.

If you believe Him, your life becomes a unique journey with a clearly defined destination, and the path to this destination is to become the best version of yourself, to become holy. But this reality is not easy, in fact it is so difficult, that even the lads who were with Jesus – His closest friends, the disciples who were traveling and camping with Him for three years, couldn't fully grasp it for a while after he was gone, after He fulfilled everything what was said about Him through the centuries by all the Jewish prophets. In fact we can't comprehend this on our own. We need help, hence we pray to Jesus to reveal himself to us. We can do that because HE IS.

Whenever you go to the church and see the Priest raising a piece of bread or a chalice of wine, whenever you see a monstrance, or even the lovely box called the tabernacle with a red light or a candle next to it, you can be sure that Jesus is physically present there. He waits for you to start talking, or in fact He patiently waits for you to stop talking and thinking and just be with Him.

We pray for those
who died recently,
Mary Rena MacKenzie-Hill, Mary McCarthy, and
Calogero & Ilde Monteleone,
whose funerals will take place in the coming weeks

and for those whose
anniversaries occur at this time
Jim King, John Keenan, John Kennedy, Timmy O'Sullivan,
Justina Almeida, Ciss Kavanagh and Cathy Doyle

† May they rest in peace. †