

Recently Deceased

Please pray for Olabisi (Mary) Oridota and Bernadette McCormack whose funerals will take place in the coming weeks.

A reflection for Lent

During the weeks of Lent please do all you can to place Jesus at the heart of your lives. Our relationship with him is the foundation of all we strive for, our abiding strength and our source of hope and joy. Without this relationship our faith loses its heart and warmth, becoming a matter of outward observance rather than inner wonder. There can be no friendship with our Blessed Lord unless we give him space in our hearts. We need a time of prayer every day when we can simply talk to him, bringing him our worries and our joys ... Jesus is there, waiting to embrace you, to rejoice in your achievements, to comfort you in your trials. Please give him space in your day, every day. After all, St. Paul reminds us: "You belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God." (1 Corinthians 3:23).

From the pastoral letter of Cardinal Vincent.

Bingo Night - Saturday 25th February.

Doors open at 7.30 pm, Bingo starts at 8.15 pm.

Refreshments and finger food will be available.

Entrance fee - £3.00 (pay at the door)

inclusive of Bingo card.

Cash bar

Teas and coffees

Children under 18 cannot be present during the games, an age-suitable movie will be provided elsewhere in the Parish Centre.

Come along and have a great time.

Volunteers are needed to help on the night.

If you are interested, please call David on 07968-423-860.

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COMMUNITY

Fr. Liam O'Donovan SCA, Fr. Joe McLoughlin SCA,

Fr. Marcellus Ochola SCA, Fr. Tom Daly SCA,

Reverend Deacon Jayson Wingrove

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Saturday 09.00 am – 4.00 pm

Sunday 11.00 am – 1.30 pm

MASS TIMES

From Monday to Saturday Mass at 12.00 noon will be streamed online, and on Sundays both the 10.00 am and the 12.00 noon Masses.

<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 be in the Church every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm, and every Friday from 5.00 pm to 9.00 pm.

The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (year A)

19th February 2023

The readings for this Sunday's Masses start on page 139 of the yellow mass books.

Sunday Collection
11th/12th February £2,810

***This weekend's second collection is for
The Cardinal's Lenten Appeal
Envelopes are available in the church porch.***

***Next weekends' second collection will be for
Mary's Meals***

The charity Mary's Meals aims to feed children one cooked meal every school day in their place of education. Thanks to the generosity of all their donors, they are able to feed an incredible 2.24 million children every day, at the incredibly low cost of £19.15 per child per year. They can do this by sourcing the ingredients locally and recruiting teams of volunteers (mainly mums and grandmas) to cook the food.

***Wednesday 22nd February
Ash Wednesday
Masses at 12.00 noon and 7.30 pm
Ashes will be distributed at both Masses.***

***During Lent, Stations of the Cross
will take place every Friday at 7.30 pm. All are welcome.
Stations of the Cross booklets are available in the Parish Office.***

Coffee Drop-in – Thank You

Many thanks to all who volunteered their time to help at our Coffee Drop-in last weekend. Also, thanks to those who donated cakes and biscuits. Your endeavours are very much appreciated.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

From Sunday 26 February we will be restarting Children's Liturgy at the 12.00 Mass. This is for children under 7 and will be held in the Old Church Hall. The children will hear the scripture reading in a simplified format and do a related activity. We will re-join the main church at the Offertory. We are looking for at least 3 people to help lead these sessions. Good resources are available, and training will be given. If you are interested in helping leave your name at the office or contact Carmel on 0787 255 1910.

Pilgrimage to Walsingham

We are organising a pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday, 1st April. If you would like to go along, please put your name and contact details on the list in the parish office. More details to follow.

Baptism Notice

Before your child is baptised you are required to attend three preparation sessions. These will take place on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sunday of each month at 11.00 am in the Parish Centre. On the third Sunday we will arrange a date for the baptism to take place. **The dates for February are 5th, 12th and 19th. The dates for March are 5th, 12th and 19th. Please bring a copy of your child's birth certificate to the first meeting.**

Annual Mass of Thanksgiving

Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 13th May at 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 in 2023. If you are celebrating a significant anniversary, please give your parish clergy the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email). The closing date is Saturday 1st April 2023.

Expression of Gratitude

The family of the late Phillip Butler would like to extend the most heartfelt thanks for the kindness, support and sympathy shown to them on Phillip's passing. To Fr. Tom for a beautiful Mass and Fr. Joe who answered our call. To all those who helped in any way, you made their loss more bearable. Thank you. A Mass has been offered for your intentions.

Funeral Arrangements

John Delaney

Reception 7.00 pm, 20th February, Visitation Church.

Mass 1.00 pm Tuesday 21st February, Visitation Church, to be followed by burial in Cherry Lane Cemetery, Hayes.

John Noronha

Mass 10.00 am, Thursday 23rd February, Visitation Church, to be followed by burial in Greenford Park Cemetery.