

Our Lady of the Visitation Parish

Ealing Food Bank

The shopping list for February has now been received. Items include:
Savoury crackers, Rice (50g and 1kg), tinned fish, tinned meat,
UHT milk (whole or semi, not skimmed please),
long life fruit juice & squash, instant coffee and drinking chocolate,
tinned fruit and vegetables, ketchup and mayonnaise,
chickpeas and kidney beans, shaving gear (foam and razors)
As always, whatever you can donate will be very much appreciated.

Gift Aid

If your circumstances have changed in any way, please let the Parish Office know, so that we can amend our records.

Funeral Arrangements

Victor Fontgalland

Mass 10.00 am, Monday 6th February, Visitation Church, to be followed by burial in Greenford Park Cemetery.

John Hayes

Mass 1.00 pm, Friday 10th February, Visitation Church, to be followed by cremation at Breakspeare Crematorium.

Recently Deceased

Please pray for Noreen Atkinson, Sean Michael McGahon, Iona Woods, and Olabisi (Mary) Oridota whose funerals will take place in the coming weeks.

Save the date.

**Bingo Night
Saturday 25th February
More details to follow.**

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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 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (year A)

5th February 2023

The readings for this Sunday's Masses start on page 133 of the yellow mass books.

Sunday Collection
28th/29th January **£2,816.00**
Restoration Fund **£545.00**

Ash Wednesday

This year Ash Wednesday is on 22nd February. If you would like to bring your 'old' palm crosses to the church, we can burn them and use them during the Mass.

A calendar of catechetical dates for 2023 and 2024 is displayed on the notice board in the Church Porch.

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers

There will be a training meeting for both Eucharistic Ministers and Readers on Sunday 19th February, in the Pallotti Room, from 11.00 am to 12.00 noon. The Eucharistic Ministers will be re-commissioned during the meeting.

Coffee Drop-in

Our monthly Coffee Drop-in will take place after all Masses next weekend, 11th/12th February. Tea and coffee will be provided. Donations of cake and biscuits will be very much appreciated. All are welcome.

Lenten Mission

Pathway of Healing and Sanctification

Fr. Rozario Palic (Fr. Rozo) will be leading a Lenten Mission here starting on Wednesday 1st March at 5.00 pm, with Mass at 7.00 pm. The Mission will continue on Thursday 2nd March, from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm. Mass will be at 12.00 noon. More details are on the poster in the Church porch.

Contactless Donations

The parish finances were drastically reduced during the pandemic, so we have been forced into rethinking how we can go forward. The way we live now has changed along with the way we pay for things. The most notable being that society is moving ever closer to being cashless. Contactless payments in supermarkets kept the economy going and customers connected. **We have installed a Digital Collection Plate (or "Donation Station") in the Porch for those who may wish to donate this way. If you are able to, please GiftAid your donation.**

SVP Collection for Chipata, Zambia

The Cardinal Wiseman School are collecting old spectacles, hearing aids, hearing aid batteries and rosary beads, which will be sent out to Chapata in Zambia. All donations will be given out to people in the hospital, clinics and prison by the Sisters from the St. Vincent de Paul Society in Chipata. Please help us bring sight and hearing to those in need by donating your old and unwanted glasses and hearing aids. There is a box in the Church Porch for donations (Please note: DO NOT donate any cash.) Thank you.

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.**

40 Days for Life Ealing

Volunteers are needed during this Lent to give an hour a week from Ash Wednesday, 22nd February until Palm Sunday, 2nd April to pray and offer help and outreach to mothers and anyone affected by abortion. Join with 1 million volunteers in 64 countries worldwide who have helped to save the lives of over 20,000 babies. To find out how you can help, please call Sarah on 07776-256838 or email: London40daysforlife@hotmail.com

Help for the Homeless

If you see any homeless person on the street or know of someone who lives in a hostel WITHOUT food, please refer them to the Ealing Soup Kitchen, at The Crypt, St. John's Church, Mattock Lane, Ealing, W13 9LA. There is an out-of-hours telephone number for emergencies: 01895-250-111 or Street Link on 0300-500-0914.

Visitation Parish Centre

The Parish Centre is now available to rent for private events. For more details, please contact David Doyle on 07968-423-860.