Advance Notice

Bernard Patrick Murray

Service 12.15 pm, Monday 15th May, <u>Breakspear Crematorium</u>

Bridget (Bridie) Josephine Barry

Reception 7.00 pm, Tuesday 16th May

Mass 1.00 pm, Wednesday 17th May, Visitation Church,

to be followed by burial in Hanwell Cemetery.

The Felix Project GOOD FOOD FOR GOOD CAUSES

Here at Our Lady of the Visitation parish, we are always endeavouring to find more ways to help those who are struggling to survive. In order to do this we are joining the Felix Project. We will need a dedicated team of volunteers to help run the project in the Old Church Hall, if you would like to be involved, and could spare some time on Saturday mornings, please leave your name and contact details in the Parish Office.

4.7 million adults in the United Kingdom struggle to afford to eat every day, 2 million children are at risk of missing the next meal. Meanwhile, our food industry generates 3 million tonnes of good, edible surplus food each year.

The Felix Project rescues good, surplus food from the food industry that cannot be sold and would otherwise go to waste. This is high-quality and nutritious, including a high proportion of fresh fruit and vegetables, baked goods, salads, meat and fish. They collect or receive food from over 539 suppliers, including supermarkets, wholesalers, farms, restaurants and delis. They then sort and then deliver this food to almost 1000 front-line charities, primary schools and holiday programmes in London.

In 2021, they provided food for 30,000,000 meals, and their operation is growing rapidly. They work with hundreds of charities and suppliers, helping disadvantaged adults and children get access to high-quality food. During the COVID-19 outbreak, they also delivered to London's emergency food hubs, serving people who are sick and in isolation.

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Our Lady of the Visitation Parish

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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

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Monday – Saturday 9.00 am – 4.00 pm Sunday 11.00 am – 1.30 pm

Please note the Parish Office will be closed on Sunday 7th May and Monday 8th May for the Bank Holiday.

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 of Easter (year A)

7th May 2023 The readings for this weekend's Masses start on page 265 of the yellow Mass books.

Sunday Collection

29th/30th April Good Shepherd collection

£3,031.00 £708.00

Rosary in May

The Rosary will be prayed in the church at 3.15 pm every weekday during the month of May. All welcome.

Transfiguration Retreat

Stop for a day to experience an encounter with the Lord. Have your soul filled with the loving and enveloping presence of God, our Father. Experience new joy and freedom in your life that will enable you to serve the Lord and others in a transfigured way. Please join us on **Saturday 27th May, from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm in the Parish Centre,** for a Transfiguration Retreat facilitated by the Prayer & Life Workshop. If you are interested please leave your name and contact details in the Parish Office, on 020-8578-1363.

Pilgrimage to Aylesford

The Legion of Mary Pilgrimage to the Friars Priory, Aylesford will take place on Saturday 13^{th} May. The coach will leave Our Lady of the Visitation Church at 8.30 am, and from St. Anselm's Church, Southall at 9.00 am. The ticket price is £17.00. To book a seat, please call Abbi on 07342-877-054, or Marie Lou on 020-8568-9405, and make payment as soon as possible.

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 May are 7th, 14th and 21st. The dates for June are 4th, 11th and 18th. Please bring a copy of your child's birth certificate to the first meeting.

Olive McGrath

After 26 years working in the Parish Office, Olive is retiring to spend more time with her family. We would like to thank her for all her hard work over the years and wish her a long and happy retirement in her new home.

Coffee Drop-in

The next Coffee Drop-in will take place after all the Masses next weekend, 13^{th} and 14^{th} May. Donations of cakes will be much appreciated.

Life in the Spirit Seminars

Life in the Spirit Seminars comprise of a series of talks and discussions held on five weekday evenings and a day retreat, supported by short daily reflections. The seminars are designed as an introduction to a life lived in the power of the Holy Spirit. They provide an opportunity for you to find out more about that life, and to be helped in taking the first steps of a new relationship with Our Lord. They include the opportunity for you to be prayed with for a fuller release of the Holy Spirit to live a deeper Christian life. The seminars will take place on Tuesdays, from 8.00 pm to 9.30 pm in the Parish Centre. If you are interested, please leave your name and contact details in the Parish office. The dates are, 2^{nd} May, 9^{th} May, 16^{th} May, Saturday 27^{th} May (retreat day), 30^{th} May and 6^{th} June. For more details, please see the poster in the Church Porch.

Helpers needed

The church always looks beautiful, but it takes a team of dedicated helpers to keep it looking that way. We would very much appreciate more helpers, particularly on Mondays or Thursdays at 8.30 am. If you would like to help but cannot come at these times, please leave your name and contact details in the Parish Office and the co-ordinator will contact you.

Funeral Arrangements

Johnny Donaghy

Mass 10.00 am, Tuesday 9th May, Visitation Church, to be followed by cremation at Breakspear Crematorium.

Anthony Meosa

Mass 1.00 pm, Friday 12th May, Visitation Church, to be followed by cremation at Breakspear Crematorium.