### Pilgrimage to Medjugorje



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For more details, please call. Agnes on 07920-840-783 or Fr. Joe on 07587-818-145.

Please note:
All children under 18 MUST be accompanied by an adult.

### **USEFUL INFORMATION**

*MASS TIMES*: Sunday Masses on Saturday at 7.00pm and on Sunday at 8.00 am, 10.00am, 12.00 noon and 2.00 pm. Daily Mass from Monday to Saturday at 12.00 noon.

**CONFESSIONS**: Saturdays 11.00 am to 12.00 noon and 6.15 pm to 6.45 pm or on request or by appointment with one of the priests.

*EUCHARISTIC ADORATION*: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm, and Friday from 5.00pm to 9.00pm.

**PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS**: Monday to Saturday from 9.00 am to 4.00 pm and Sunday from 11.00 am to 1.30 pm.

# Our Lady of the Visitation Parish

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## The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

18th June 2023

The readings for this weekend's Masses start on page 91 of the orange Mass books.

### Collection - 10th / 11th June - £2,979.00

### This week's second collection will be for Day for Life

### **Baptism Notice**

Before your child is baptised you are required to attend three preparation sessions. These will take place on the  $1^{st}$ ,  $2^{nd}$  and  $3^{rd}$  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 July are  $2^{nd}$ ,  $9^{th}$  and  $16^{th}$ . Please bring a copy of your child's birth certificate to the first meeting.

### Celebration of Discipleship

On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June we are having a Celebration of Discipleship in the Parish Centre, from 7.00 pm. There will be food, drink, music and craic. This is an event for all volunteers in the parish, e.g., eucharistic ministers, readers, cleaners, choirs, breakfast club, night shelter, etc, etc. We look forward to seeing you all.

### *Pilgrimage to the Holy Land* 15<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> September 2023

This pilgrimage will be led by Tom O'Dwyer, and the accompanying priest is Fr. Kevin Deakin (Home of the Mother, Waterford). You will be staying in Jerusalem, Bethlehem and Nazareth, in half-board accommodation, close to many religious sites. The trip will begin in Dublin, so you will need to book your own flights from here. The cost will be €1,850.00. Bookings are now being accepted. For more information, please call Tom O'Dwyer on 087-2701311, or email him at tomdrumdownev@gmail.com.

### Cupcake Day

To support Alzheimer's Society Cupcake Day fundraising initiative, we will be hosting Tea and Cake in the Old Church Hall after the 10.00 am and 12.00 noon Masses next Sunday  $25^{th}$  June. The Hall will be open from 9.00 am to accept donations of cake, which will be very much appreciated. Everyone welcome.

### Thank You

A sincere thank you to all who helped in any way to make last weekend's Coffee Drop-in a success. We couldn't do it without you!

### Funeral Arrangements

### Kennith Lowden

Mass: 1.00 pm, Wednesday 21st June, Visitation Church to be

followed by cremation at Breakspear Crematorium.

### **Advance Notice**

### Christopher O'Connell

Mass 10.00 am, Tuesday 4th July, Visitation Church to be

followed by cremation at Breakspear Crematorium.

### Maria Inglese

Mass 1.00 pm, Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July, Visitation Church, to be

followed by burial in Greenford Park Cemetery.

Today's readings challenge us to recognize that knowing we are beloved comes first—before any efforts of mission, ministry, or service. Part of ongoing conversion as disciples of Jesus, sent out as laborers for the harvest, is growing in freedom. Freedom to say "yes" to an invitation to service when we discern that we are called to share our gifts generously. Freedom to say "no" to an invitation to service when it's not the right time or season for us to serve in that particular way. Freedom to serve joyfully—whether those we serve respond with gratitude or indifference, appreciation, or annoyance. Freedom to serve peacefully whether others applaud us or ignore us. Freedom to know we are precious just as we are—that while we are called to do great things, our identity as God's beloved is never in question. Freedom that comes from knowing we are beloved comes first, and all our actions overflow from that truth that can never, ever change. Jesus calls us to cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, and cast out demons. And we begin to respond to that call by remembering when we have been borne up on eagle's wings, when we have God name us as beloved, precious, and chosen.