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#### **Easter Novena Praver**

Priest: Queen of Heaven rejoice, alleluia:

- People: For He whom you merited to bear, alleluia.
- Priest: Has risen as He said, alleluia.
- People: Pray for us to God, alleluia.
- Priest: Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.
- People: Because the Lord is truly risen, alleluia.

Priest: Let us pray:

People: O God, who by the Resurrection of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, brought joy to the whole world: grant we beseech You, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may lay hold of the joys of eternal life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Priest: Jesus Christ is risen from the dead; Alleluia, Alleluia People: He is risen indeed. Alleluia, Alleluia

God our Father, by raising Christ Your Son, You All: conquered the power of death and opened for us the way to eternal life. Let our celebration of Easter raise us up and renew our lives by the Spirit that is within us. We pray with joy and hope at this Holy Eastertide.

We pray for all our relatives and friends; for all who are suffering in mind or in body. For all our loved ones. May the light and joy of Easter flood their minds and their hearts with a new hope and a new Light.

For all who have died and gone before us marked with the sign of peace may they rejoice in the presence of the Risen Lord.

You wash away our sins in the water of Baptism, give us new birth in the Spirit, and redeem us in the Blood of Christ.

May we look forward with hope to our Resurrection, for You have made us Your sons and daughters and restored the joy of our youth.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen. Alleluia, Alleluia.

# **OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION PARISH NEWSLETTER**

MASS	CONFESSIONS	ADORATION
Weekdays 12:00 noon Saturday 12:00 noon & Vigil 7:00 pm Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm & 2:00 pm	Saturday 11:00am - 12:00 noon & 6:15pm - 6:45pm 0r available on request	Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm Friday 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Saturday from 9.00 am – 4.00pm & Sunday from 11.00am to 1.30pm. Easter Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> April – CLOSED

## COMMUNITY

Fr. Liam O'Donovan SCA, Fr. Joe McLoughlin SCA, Fr. Marcellus Ochola SCA, Fr. Tom Daly SCA, Rev. Deacon Jayson Wingrove



What's coming up.

## **NEWS & EVENTS**

Interested in joining a team? Visit our website to learn more.

#### **Baptism Preparation**

Parents and Guardians interested in baptising their child, please contact Kim at <u>kim.olvgreenford@gmail.com</u> to express interest. Our recommendation is to contact us at least six weeks prior to your child's proposed baptism date.

## First Holy Communion (8-14 yo)

We will resume sessions after our Easter break, on the  $16^{th}$  of April.

## Family of Faith (FHC Parents & Family sessions)

All families are very welcome to join us in our Family of Faith sessions. *Our next session will be on the 21st of April, from 10:45 am to 11:30 am at the Parish Centre.* Please let us know you will be joining us by registering on our website, under upcoming events.

## Confirmation Preparation (15-17 yo)

Sessions will resume on the 14<sup>th</sup> of April. Passion play practices will be held in the church next week. Please refer to email sent.

## Visitation Young Adult Ministry (18 yo+)

We invite all Young Adults of the parish to join us on the 26th of April at 7.00 pm for a time of connection and encounter. We look forward to seeing you all there.

## Exploring Catholicism (18 yo+ RCIA)

This programme is for adults interested in exploring the Catholic Faith and/or in being Baptised and Confirmed. Please get in touch with us by speaking to a priest or Kim for more details.

## Youth Festival in Medjugorje

We are now taking names for the Youth Festival in Medjugorje 2024. Our pilgrimage will be from  $29^{\text{th}}$  July to  $5^{\text{th}}$  August. The cost for adults will be £675.00 and under 18's will be £300. Please note that under 18's need to be accompanied by an adult. All are welcome for this life-changing experience. Registration begins now.

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#### Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2.30 pm

The Cardinal is inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese, who are celebrating their 5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> and 60<sup>th</sup> (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage. If you are celebrating an 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).

#### **Greenford Pilgrimage to Fatima**

Some spaces have become available on this pilgrimage, to be led by Fr. Liam O'Donovan, from  $10^{th}$  to  $14^{th}$  June (4 nights). Price is £629.00 per person sharing. For more details, please see poster in Church Porch. For booking forms and more information, please contact the Parish office.

#### **Divine Mercy Sunday**

Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration and Divine Mercy devotions on Sunday 7th April after the 2pm Mass. Confessions will be available until 4pm. Jesus declared *"on that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open; I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who will approach the font of mercy."* Diary of St. Faustina

#### **Recently Deceased**

Please pray for Bridget Kate Sweeney, who died recently. Funeral arrangements to be announced.

#### **Funeral Arrangements**

Nichol Mankoo - Mass 1.00 pm, Friday 5th April, Visitation Church, to be followed by burial in Greenford Park Cemetery.

**Eileen Baker** - Mass 1.00 pm, Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April, Visitation Church, to be followed by cremation at Breakspear Crematorium.

Sunday Collections £3,755.00

## Please collect your Planned Giving Envelopes from the Parish Office!

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