

# WEMBLEY CENTRAL MASJID NEWSLETTER



## Ramadhan 1440 – May 2019

The month of Ramadan is a month of blessings. Our primary objective in this month is stated in Surah Baqarah, “O you who believe, fasting was decreed upon you as it was decreed upon those before you so that you may attain Taqwa” (2:183).

We must utilise this month not only to get closer to Allah but also to exercise patience, forgiveness and compassion. We need to exert ourselves physically and spiritually, so that we gain such spirituality throughout this month which would help us get through the rest of the 11 months with the obedience of Allah.

To maximise our rewards and utilise our time wisely we should have a fixed timetable for our daily worship. By fixing times in which we are going to recite a portion of the Quran, complete our adhkar and offer nawaafil prayers.

Tip: there are different narrations regarding Laylatul-Qadr, the night of power. However, it is guaranteed to be one of the nights in Ramadhan. We should try to commit that we will donate a certain amount of money for Allah, pray a

## VIRTUE

A man said: O Messenger of Allah, I was stung by a scorpion last night. The Prophet (S.A.W.) said, “If you had said, when evening came, *A’oodhu bi kalimaat-illah it-taammaati min sharri ma khalaq* (I seek refuge in the perfect words of Allah from the evil of that which He has created), it would not have harmed you.”

[Muslim – 2709]

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certain number of rakaat of tahajjud and recite a certain portion of Quran every night. If our worship coincides with Laylatul-Qadr then the reward of this worship will be better than that of having performed it over more than 1000 months.

May Allah accept all of our acts of worship and devotion. Ameen.

Sheikh Mubashir Ali



### *Istighfar – Seeking Forgiveness*

Imam Bukhari narrated from Shaddaad ibn Aws (R.A.) that the Prophet (S.A.W.) said: “The best prayer for seeking forgiveness is to say:

*‘Allahumma anta rabbi la ilaaha illa anta Khalaqtani wa ana ‘abduka wa ana ‘ala ‘ahdika wa wa’dika ma astata’t. A’oodhu bika min sharri ma sana’tu, aboo’u laka bi ni’matika ‘alayya wa aboo’u laka bi dhanbi, faghfir li fa innahu laa yaghfiru’l-dhunoob illaa anta*

(O Allah, You are my Lord. None has the right to be worshipped but You. You created me and I am Your slave, and I am faithful to my covenant and my promise (to You) as much as I can. I seek refuge with You from all the evil I have done. I acknowledge before You all the blessings You have bestowed upon me, and I confess to You all my sins. So, I entreat You to forgive my sins, for nobody can forgive sins except You).”

And he said: “Whoever says this during the day, having faith in it and dies before the evening comes, will be among the people of Paradise, and whoever says it during the night, having faith in it, and dies before the morning comes, will be among the people of Paradise.”

[Al-Bukhari – 6306]

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# RAMADHAN IFTAR

The Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said: **“Whoever feeds a fasting person will have a reward like that of the fasting person, without any reduction in his reward.”** [Tirmidhi - 807; Ibn Maajah – 1746]

Alhamdulillah, the Management Committee at Wembley Central Masjid has been catering and providing extra facilities during Ramadhan for many years. WCM caters for the Iftar of 400-500 people every day, during our holy month of Ramadhan. This is a daily expense of £500 to cater for our fasting brothers & sisters.

The Management Committee also organises Suhur in the last ten days of Ramadhan, catering for the people in I'tekaaf & other worshippers.

We request our brothers & sisters to donate generously, thereby acting upon the above-mentioned Hadith and gaining the reward of the fasting people. To donate please contact the Management Committee or make a bank transfer to the details provided on the back of the newsletter.

**Alhamdulillah, brothers and sisters have already started making contributions through their donations. However, we are still far from our target and Ramadhan is getting closer.**

This is a great opportunity to earn rewards for yourself, family members and it is also a means of ongoing sadaqah for those members of the family who we can only benefit by giving such sadaqah on their behalf or by praying for them.

## DID YOU KNOW?



The Fidyah for not fasting should be paid when there is no hope of making up the missed fasts because of old age which makes a person unable to fast, or sickness from which there is no hope of recovery, because Allah says: “And as for those who can fast with difficulty, (e.g. an old man), they have (a choice either to fast or) to feed a Miskeen (poor person) (for every day)” **[al-Baqarah 2:184]**. What is meant is those for whom it is too difficult to fast.

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# I'tekaf

I'tekaf or itekaaf means to retrace in a Masjid. Itekaf is a recommended Islamic practice for a certain number of days. The best time for Itekaf is during Ramadhan, especially in the last ten days of Ramadhan. The Prophet (S.A.W.) used to observe Itekaf every year in Ramadhan. Itekaf is sunnah in Ramadhan and at other times of the year too as indicated by the Quran: "...while you are in Itekaf (i.e. confining oneself in the masjid and leaving worldly acts) in the masaajid."

**(Al-Baqarah 2:187)**

The Prophet's (S.A.W.) Itekaaf during Ramadhan:

1. The Prophet's (S.A.W.) Observed Itekaaf in the first ten days of Ramadhan, then in the second ten days of Ramadhan. Then he was told that Laylatul Qadr was in the last ten days, so he observed Itekaf in the last ten days of Ramadhan.
2. The Prophet's (S.A.W.) used to stay in the Masjid the whole time, and not leave it except for a need.
3. Itekaf for a woman will be done in a designated area for praying in the privacy of her own home.

## **IMAM ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MONTH OF RAMADHAN**

As a result of consultation on the **05/05/2019** with the few of the chosen representatives on behalf of the congregation at the Wembley Central Masjid, WCM Management Committee have approved the below mentioned names of temporary Imam's to lead Salah and Taraweeh during Ramadan on voluntary basis.

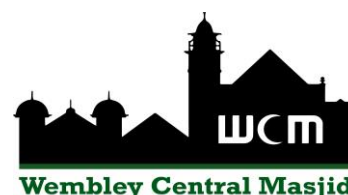
These Imam's were proposed by the members / representatives of congregation and Management Committee have approved them for the peace and harmony of the masjid during the holy month of Ramadan.

- ⇒ Sayed Mohammed Abdullahi to lead Isha and first 8 rak'ahs of Taraweeh
- ⇒ Ubeydullah Hussain to lead 4 rak'ahs of Taraweeh
- ⇒ Hafiz Nadeem to lead last 8 rak'ahs of Taraweeh
- ⇒ Mohammed Mumin and Abdullah Green will lead Fajr Salah (to be shared)
- ⇒ Ibrahim Abdulle Olow and Mahmoud El Sahib to lead Zuhr and Asar salah (to be shared)
- ⇒ Abdul Kareem to lead Maghrib salah

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## 10 Ahadith about Ramadan

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1. Abu Hurayrah (R.A.) reported that the Prophet (S.A.W.) said:  
**“When Ramadan enters, the gates of Paradise are opened, the gates of Hellfire are closed, and the devils are chained.” (Al-Bukhari and Muslim)**
2. Abu Hurayrah (R.A.) reported that the Messenger of Allah (S.A.W.) said:  
**“Every action a son of Adam does shall be multiplied—a good action by ten times its value, up to 700 times. Allah says: With the exception of fasting, which belongs to Me, and I reward it accordingly. For, one abandons his desire and food for My sake.” (Al-Bukhari)**
3. Abu Hurayrah (R.A.) reported that the Messenger of Allah (S.A.W.) said:  
**“Fasting is a shield; so, when one of you is fasting, he should neither indulge in obscene language nor should he raise his voice in anger. If someone attacks him or insults him, let him say: “I am fasting!” (Muslim)**
4. Abu Hurayrah (R.A.) reported that the Messenger of Allah (S.A.W.) said:  
**“The five (daily) prayers, and from one Friday prayer to the next, and from Ramadan to Ramadan are expiation for sins committed in between provided one stays away from the major sins.” (Al-Bukhari)**
5. Abu Hurayrah (R.A.) reported that the Messenger of Allah (S.A.W.) said:  
**“Whoever observes fasts during the month of Ramadan out of sincere faith, and hoping to attain Allah’s rewards, then all his past sins will be forgiven.” (Al-Bukhari and Muslim)**
6. Abu Hurayrah (R.A.) reported that the Messenger of Allah (S.A.W.) said:  
**“Whoever stands (in the voluntary night prayer of) Ramadan out of faith and in hope of reward, his previous sins will be forgiven.” (Al-Bukhari and Muslim)**
7. Abu Sa`id Al-Khudri (R.A.) reported that the Messenger of Allah (S.A.W.) said:  
**“Anyone who fasts for one day for Allah’s sake, Allah will keep his face away from the Hellfire for (a distance covered by a journey of) seventy years.” (Al-Bukhari and Muslim)**
8. `Uthman ibn Abi Al-`Aas (R.A.) reported that the Messenger of Allah (S.A.W.) said:  
**“Fasting serves as a shield from Hellfire.” (An-Nasa’i)**
9. Abu Hurayrah (R.A.) reported that the Messenger of Allah (S.A.W.) used to observe *i`tikaf* (spiritual retreat in a mosque) every Ramadan for ten days; in the year in which he passed away, he observed *i`tikaf* for twenty days. (Al-Bukhari).
10. `A’ishah (R.A.) reported that the Messenger of Allah (S.A.W.) used to strive more in worship during Ramadan than he strove in any other time of the year; and he would devote himself more (in the worship of Allah) in the last ten nights of Ramadan than he did in earlier part of the month. (Muslim).

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## Donate to your Masjid

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Dear Respected Brothers, Sisters & Elders,

We urge you to make donations to the masjid in this beautiful and blessed month of Ramadhan. As most of you must be aware, it is with deep regret due to the recent events inside the Wembley Central Masjid a few troublemakers with personal and hidden agenda have been very vocal about not donating to the masjid. They have in their own animosity, angst and stubbornness have involved the house of Allah into matters which could have been resolved amicably.

The management committee have taken every step to resolve issues and speak with the members of the community and those in opposition to help maintain the etiquettes and discipline of the House of Allah. There are unauthorised speakers who are making unofficial announcements using the microphone of the masjid and creating an environment of uneasiness and confusion. They are currently being investigated by the official authorities and strict action will be taken against them.

We once again urge you that the masjid is the House of Allah and our volunteers and committee members work tirelessly without any personal gains but just for the pleasure of Allah and serving the community.

There are a lot of costs which are associated with the day to day running and maintenance of the masjid, here are some of the figures for your broader understanding and knowledge, these are approximate figures, dependant on usage, circumstances and quotations provided for the jobs –

**Insurance - £5,800**

**Gas - £8,000**

**Electricity - £8,000**

**Water - £4,000**

**Building maintenance - £18,000**

**Cleaner's salary - £14,000**

**Imam salary - £36,000**

**Teachers salary - £1,12,000**

### **Ubaidullah al-Khulini reported:**

'Uthman b. 'Affan listened to the opinion of the people (which was not favourable) when he rebuilt the mosque of the Messenger of Allah (ﷺ). Thereupon he said: You have not been fair to me for I have heard from the Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) saying: He who built a mosque for Allah, the Exalted, Allah would build for him a house in Paradise. Bukair said: I think he (the Holy Prophet) said: While he seeks the pleasure of Allah (by building the mosque). And in the narration of Ibn 'Isa (the words are):" (a house) like that (mosque) in Paradise."

### **Reference - Sahih Muslim 533a**

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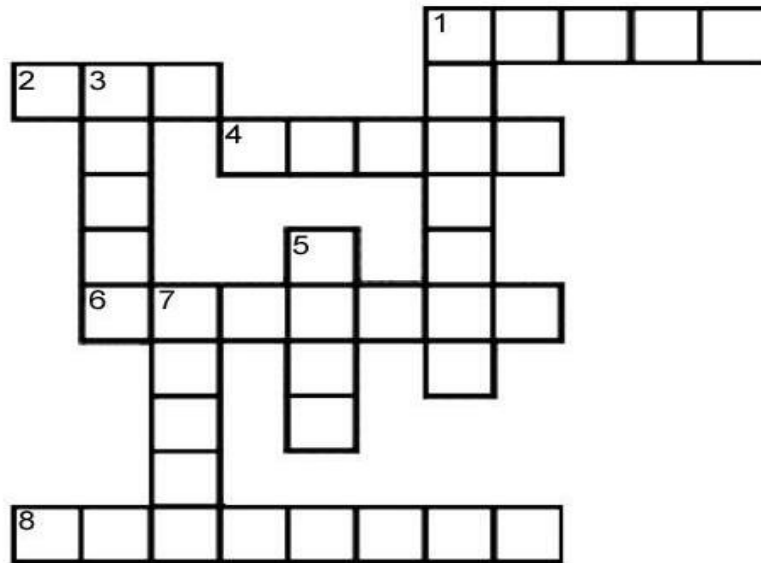


# **Ramadhan Collection Allocations 2019**

<b>RAMADAN</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>ORGANISATION COLLECTING</b>
1	Sunday	5 May 2019	Islamic Help
2	Monday	6 May 2019	Jamiah Siraajul Uloom
3	Tuesday	7 May 2019	Al-Hasanat Foundation
4	Wednesday	8 May 2019	Jamiah Khatamun Nabiyeen
5	Thursday	9 May 2019	Physicians Across Continents
6	Friday	10 May 2019	Jumuah – WCM / Asr-Isha Bilal Masjid
7	Saturday	11 May 2019	WCM
8	Sunday	12 May 2019	Give to Poor Worldwide
9	Monday	13 May 2019	Baitul Aman Welfare Trust
10	Tuesday	14 May 2019	Muslim Rose Welfare
11	Wednesday	15 May 2019	Nooria Mission
12	Thursday	16 May 2019	Ummah Welfare Trust
13	Friday	17 May 2019	Jumuah – WCM / Asr-Isha Jamia Rahmani (Pak)
14	Saturday	18 May 2019	WCM
15	Sunday	19 May 2019	Alhidaya Croydon
16	Monday	20 May 2019	Darul Uloom Waqf Deoband
17	Tuesday	21 May 2019	Washwood Heath Muslim Centre
18	Wednesday	22 May 2019	African Development Trust
19	Thursday	23 May 2019	Northolt Islamic Centre
20	Friday	24 May 2019	Jumuah–WCM/Asr-Isha Care & Releif Foundation
21	Saturday	25 May 2019	WCM
22	Sunday	26 May 2019	Salam Trust Birmingham
23	Monday	27 May 2019	Darul Uloom Markaz e Islami
24	Tuesday	28 May 2019	Jamia Islamia Darus Sunnah Dewanchok Madrasa
25	Wednesday	29 May 2019	Darul Uloom Ashaab e Suffah Agra
26	Thursday	30 May 2019	Al-Huda Cultural Centre
27	Friday	31 May 2019	WCM
28	Saturday	1 June 2019	WCM
29	Sunday	2 June 2019	Interpal



# Ramadan Crossword



**Across:**

1. The five daily prayers
2. The festival that ends Ramadan
4. The most sacred book for Muslims
6. The month of fasting
8. The founder of Islam

**Down:**

1. The month following Ramadan
3. The evening meal to break the fast
5. The first prayer of the day
7. The almighty



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