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Mass Times

Monday: 10:00 am (Harrow Rd)
Tuesday: 10:00 am (Paddington)
Wednesday Church closed
Thursday 10:00 am (Paddington)
Friday 10:00 am (Harrow Rd)
Saturday: 10:00 am (Paddington)
6:00 pm (Harrow Rd)
(Vigil Mass of Sunday)
Sunday: 9:30 am (Paddington)
11:30 am (Harrow Rd)

Eucharistic Adoration

One hour before weekday and Saturday morning
Masses plus Saturday: 5:00 - 5:50 pm

Confessions

During periods of exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; and on request.

Parishes of
OUR LADY OF LOURDES & ST VINCENT DE PAUL
(HARROW RD)

and

OUR LADY OF SORROWS, (PADDINGTON)

MAY - MONTH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

1st MAY 2022

3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

YEAR C

Second Chances



After the Resurrection, we might have expected the disciples to rush off in a frenzy of enthusiasm spreading the good news, but no, today we find them back on the lake fishing. When you stop for a minute to imagine what it might have been like to be in Peter's shoes perhaps it isn't all that surprising. Peter had given up everything for Jesus and promised his all. But despite all his promises, Peter had ended up denying Jesus three times. Almost certainly he would have been suffering from feelings of crippling guilt and insurmountable failure. Is it really any

wonder that fishing suddenly seemed a more attractive option than evangelising?

But for Jesus, giving up is not an option. Jesus appears at dawn by the lakeside where he asks Peter. "Do you love me?" Three times Jesus asks the same question ... the same number of times that Peter had previously denied him. It's as though Jesus is giving Peter the chance to put right a wrong. This is part of Peter's healing process. This is Peter's big chance to put his hopes and dreams back on track. Then Jesus, who has known all along what is in Peter's heart, gives him a gentle reminder of his commission to shepherd his Church.

There's a heartening message for us too in this story. How many times do we see in the Bible people getting not just second chances but third and fourth chances? We can get things wrong and we can let ourselves down ... but God who knows what is in our hearts, reminds us that he is there to take away the burden of our guilt and of our failures and set before us new horizons and second chances. God meets us where we are (ie imperfect sinners) and reminds us that with his grace we can improve and 'Be perfect as your Heavenly Father is perfect.' (Matthew 5:48)

Mass Intentions for both parishes for week beginning Saturday 30th April 2022

Saturday	6:00 pm	People of the Parish	Sunday	09:30 am	Rosette Laranjo (RIP)
Sunday	11:30 am	Bridie Lyons (RIP)	Monday	10:00 am	Nellie Eli (RIP)
Tuesday	10:00 am	Carol Fahey & Friends (Ints)	Wednesday	10:00 am	Church closed
Thursday	10:00 am	Patricia Gasana (RIP)	Friday	10:00 am	Joyce Diamond (RIP)
Saturday (07.5)	10:00 am	Bianca Estrada (Ints)	Saturday	6:00 pm	Gladys Kibart (RIP)
Sunday (08.5)	09:30 am	People of the Parish	Sunday	11:30 am	Joao Bargante (RIP)

Diocesan News

Mass for Migrants at the Cathedral.

Bishop Michael Campbell OSA will celebrate the Mass for Migrants on Monday 2 May at Westminster Cathedral for the feast of St Joseph the Worker, with ethnic chaplaincies and communities around London. The Mass will begin at 2:30pm, with a banner procession from 2:00pm. All are welcome.

May Procession at the Shrine of Our Lady of

Willesden, Nicoll Road, NW10 9AX. Sunday 8 May at 3:00pm. Preacher, Most Rev Kenneth Nowakowski; Eparch of the Holy Family of London (Ukrainian Catholic Church), who will be accompanied by the Icon of the



Mother of Protection (In Ukrainian - Pokrova). Come and join us praying the Rosary asking for the prayers of the Black Madonna of Willesden for the protection of London,

and for Peace and Restoration in Ukraine. Bakerloo Line and Tube, Willesden Junction Station (Old Oak Lane exit), Buses 18, 187, 206, 226, 228, 260, 487.

Priest Training Fund : Sunday 8 May

Next Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday, the day we pray for priests and for vocations to the priesthood. The annual collection for the Priest Training Fund will take place next weekend. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently 58 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 17 of whom are from our own Diocese, and two men are studying in Rome, also from our Diocese. Last year four men who studied at Allen Hall were ordained to the priesthood to serve as our future priests. This fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your generous donation helps ensure we can support these men who are called to be like Christ the Good Shepherd. Donation envelopes are available in the back of the church. Please take one home, read the information, and bring it back next weekend with your donation. We will also have a retiring collection next weekend for this fund.

Please continue to pray for vocations and for our priests. You can use the QR code to make your donation online or visit www.rcdow.org.uk/donations. Thank you for your generosity.

St Michael's Catholic Grammar School.

Applications are now being accepted for girls currently in year 5 to sit the entrance tests for year 7 entry to St Michael's in September 2023. Applications can be made through the online system available on their website

<https://www.st-michaels.barnet.sch.uk/admissions/admissions-2023-24/>. Parents should ensure that they read the Admissions Policy prior to making an application and provide the **original** Certificate of Catholic Practice signed by their Parish Priest by the closing date of 4pm on Tuesday 5 July 2022.

Parish News

Weekly Catechesis Leaflets

Leaflet 2 is published this week — **Our Desire for God**. Which comes first—the chicken or the egg? Is it we who search for God, or are we responding to God's call. Why are there so many atheists who don't believe in God?

Parish Administrator Vacancy

There is a vacancy for a Parish administrator in our adjacent parish (Our Lady of the Rosary, Marylebone) as their current parish administrator is leaving in the summer after nine years of work there. It is part-time (15 hours per week) on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10:30 to 3:30 at £13 per hour. Full details of the job can be found on the diocesan website <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/>

Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, SJ

Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, was a French paleontologist, theologian, and mystic, who died in 1955 in New York City. Chardin was trained as a scientist, and he made significant contributions to the study of the origins of the human race. His theological interests increasingly turned to the relationship between the evolution of the material world and the sacredness of matter infused with the divine presence. Ecclesiastical authorities were suspicious of his ideas, and they prevented him from publishing his books for many years. These bans have since been lifted, and Chardin is now regarded as an important thinker and spiritual writer. He wrote:

"God is not altogether apart from the world we see, touch, hear, smell, and taste around us. Rather he awaits us every instant in our action, in the work of the moment. There is a sense in which he is at the tip of my pen, my spade, my brush, my needle. By pressing the stroke, the line, or the stitch, on which I am engaged, to its ultimate natural finish, I shall lay hold of that last end toward which my innermost will tends." —*The Divine Milieu*

Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you and eat with you, and you with me. —Revelation 3:20

Imagine the Lord waiting for you as you approach each task in the day ahead.

From: Manney, Jim. An Ignatian Book of Days . Loyola Press.