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Mass Times this week

Monday:.....10:00 am (Harrow Road)
Tuesday: .....10:00 am (Paddington)
Wednesday: No Mass
Thursday: .....10:00 am (Paddington)
Friday: .....10:00 am (Harrow Road)
Saturday:.....10:00 am (Paddington)
..... 6:00 pm (Harrow Rd)
Sunday: ..... 9:30 am (Paddington)
.....11:30 am (Harrow Rd)

Eucharistic Adoration

One hour before weekday and Saturday Masses.

Confessions

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

Mass Readings

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Acts 2:14, 22-33; 1 Peter 1:17-21;

Luke 24:13-35.

Parish of PADDINGTON NORTH

with the churches of

OUR LADY OF LOURDES & ST VINCENT DE PAUL (337 HARROW RD)

and

OUR LADY OF SORROWS, (17 CIRENCESTER ST, PADDINGTON)

APRIL - MONTH OF THE EUCHARIST & HOLY SPIRIT

19TH APRIL 2026

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR A).

Meeting Jesus



Two disciples, travelling along the road to Emmaus, are talking about recent events in Jerusalem. They are feeling helpless and defeated in the wake of Jesus' crucifixion. Perhaps they were still strongly tied to the Jewish expectation of a Messiah, as ruler to overthrow Roman occupation, and had little understanding of Jesus' divinity. They simply saw Jesus' death as a crushing defeat.

Perhaps our own stories aren't too different. We often feel defeated and helpless, unable to see what Jesus' death and resurrection could mean for us. Do we spend long periods of depression, unable to appreciate God's presence in our lives? One thing is for sure; it would be nothing short of a tragedy if we got to the end of life's paths without meeting Jesus, so how should we go about it?

Notice in today's gospel that Jesus opens the eyes of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus very gradually. The two travellers don't recognise Jesus straight away, but their hearts warm to him as he helps them to see recent events in the light of scripture. As he interprets what has happened, he gives them hope in the future and a clear vision of new opportunities. Then when the couple invite Jesus to stay, and he 'breaks bread' with them, (He celebrates the second Mass with them) and they come to realise who he really is. What a life changing moment that must have been! This account is clearly not just for the benefit of the two travellers or even for the first disciples; this account is for all our benefit. We might think that we've been going to church long enough to have heard it all before, but there's always something new to learn. Today we are invited to really meet Jesus in the Eucharist, and to re-find Jesus in the way we understand and interpret the scriptures. I heard a priest respond to a non-Catholic who asked him: 'Do you have a personal

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Mass Intentions for week beginning Saturday 18th April 2026

Saturday	6:00 pm	Tom Kinsella (Ints)	Sunday	9:30 am	Elsie Hodges (Ints)
Sunday	11:30 am	Nicholas Jackson Amayo (Anniv)	Monday	10:00 am	-
Tuesday	10:00 am	People of Parish	Wednesday	No Mass	
Thursday	10:00 am	Dixie O'Neill (Sick)	Friday	10:00 am	Sherwin Cotta (Ints)
Sat (25 Apr)	10:00 am	-	Saturday	6:00 pm	Patricia Leroux (Ints)
Sun (26 Apr)	9:30 am	Noel Laranjo (RIP)	Sunday	11:30 am	Magno Cotta (Anniv)

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relationship with Jesus?'. He replied: 'Well I eat his body and drink his blood every day!' Do we ever think of how close it is that we can get to Jesus?

Diocesan News

Confident parenting in a world of screens. 29th April @ 8pm. Hardly a day goes by without headlines highlighting the impact of smartphones and social media on our teenagers. They face a whole new level of complexity as they grow up in a digital world, but as parents and carers there are so many things we can do to help them navigate it well. This on-line webinar with Kate Duroux from *Care for the Family*, a national UK charity, will help us consider how we can best support our teenagers through the challenges of the digital world, and offer practical advice and principles to apply in our own unique families. To reserve your place, book now by visiting *https://www.celebratetrust.org/faith-parenting.*

Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony at Westminster Cathedral, **Saturday 23rd May 2026 at 2:30pm**. Archbishop Richard is inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese, who are celebrating their 5th 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2026. 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 contact email (or telephone number, if no email).

Parish News

Holy Hour for the Dignity of Life. The Bishops of England and Wales have asked all parishes throughout the country to join with them as they pray a Holy Hour, **Today (Sunday) at 4:30 pm**, for the dignity of all human life, and to promote a culture of life in our lands. We will join our bishops by having such a Holy Hour at Church of **Our Lady of Lourdes & SVP, Harrow Road**, **Today (Sunday) at 4:30 pm**.

Priest Training Fund – Next Weekend. Next Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday, and there will be a second collection for the Priest Training Fund.
This fund plays a crucial role in supporting men who are discerning and preparing for the priesthood. Their formation includes academic study, spiritual development, and pastoral training — all of which are essential for their future ministry.

As we reflect on Christ as the Good Shepherd, we are reminded that He continues to call shepherds for His Church today. Please keep our seminarians and those considering this calling in your prayers.
Good Shepherd Sunday is the annual Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood. To mark the occasion, Archbishop Richard has written a Pastoral Letter, which will be read at all Masses next weekend, and he will be asking us to begin that day a month-long cycle of prayer

Saint George "For the Persecuted" 23rd April 2026

When the pagan Emperor Diocletian started persecuting Christians, St. George pleaded with the Emperor to spare their lives. However, St. George's pleas fell on deaf ears and it is thought that the Emperor Diocletian tried to make St. George deny his faith in Christ, by torturing him. St George showed incredible courage and faith and was finally beheaded near Lydda in Palestine on 23rd April, 303.

Marriage Matters

(www.marriagecare.org.uk)

Third Sunday of Easter
(Acts 2:14, 22-28 1 Peter 1:17-21 Luke 24:13-35)

How well do we listen to each other?

As Jesus walked to Emmaus, he listened carefully to His disciples and experienced their grief. An important part of our relationship is listening. We may disagree with our partner's thoughts and judgments but they are part of who this person is. We need to experience him/her and convey the joy of discovering the person he/she is.

Funeral Notices

The Reception and Requiem Mass of the late **Bernie John-Baptiste** will take place on **Tuesday 21st April at 11:30 am** at **Our Lady of Lourdes Church,** followed by internment at Kensal Green Cemetery.

The Reception and Requiem Mass of the late **Doreen Alexander** will take place on **Wednesday 29th April at 11:30 am** at **Our Lady of Lourdes Church,** followed by internment at St Mary's Catholic Cemetery.