## Our Lady's, St John's Wood & Our Lady of the Rosary, Marylebone

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### SERVICE TIMES

#### St John's Wood

Sunday Mass 6:00pm (Sat), 9:00am (Sung), 10:30am (Sung Latin), 12noon (Sung), 6:00pm

Weekday Mass Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 10:00am; Thursday 7:00pm

> Stations of the Cross (During Lent) Thursday 6:15pm

Confessions Saturday 10:30am-11:00am; 5:15pm-5:45pm

#### Marylebone

Sunday Mass 6:00pm (Sat), 11:00am (Sung Family Mass)

Weekday Mass Monday, Wednesday & Friday 12:30pm

> Stations of the Cross (During Lent) Friday 11:45am

Confessions Saturday 5:00pm-5:30pm

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#### **UCM Mission Statement**

The Union of Catholic Mothers was founded in 1913 by Mrs Etheldreda Chichester who was concerned about the spiritual and moral conditions that children and families were experiencing in rural parts of the country at that time. There were no organisations supporting mothers and very little guidance on bringing up children in Catholic Faith. Etheldreda the along with her sister Agnes decided they would form a society to help catholic women. They called this The Union of Catholic Mothers (UCM). They wrote a UCM Prayer and with the support of Cardinal Bourne, the UCM was formed, UCM groups began to grow and today, the UCM is a national organisation operating at the parish and diocesan level, that continues to support, children, families and their parish communities, uniting women and mothers everywhere. The modern day UCM fosters support for those who share common values and is open to all Christian women and primary carers who are passionate about raising children with a deeper spiritual understanding whilst contributing to the welfare of the community.

In St Johns Wood parish, the UCM has a rich legacy dating back 111 years. Today's UCM is an eclectic of women from the group surrounding parishes and communities, ranging in age from 30 to 101! Some have been members for over 50 years, whilst others have only recently joined. The common thread is we care about families, the church and the wider community. Many have become close friends and helped each other through challenging times. The group has a steadfast leader in Sister Brigid and is ably supported by an active executive committee. We also have Canon Kevin who is an enthusiastic supporter of the UCM mission, for which we are grateful. We meet once a month in the Parish Hall, for community, friendship, prayer, a cup of tea and a biscuit and sometimes food and wine! We plan events, and raise funds for the church and other charities, as well as pray for those who are sick or need spiritual support. Our doors are open for new members to join us in faith, fun and friendship! To join please email:

ucmstjohnswood@gmail.com or call 07828 148 513. Instagram: @union\_of\_catholic\_mothers

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## Forthcoming Events

Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony 25 May 2024 at 2:30pm at Westminster Cathedral. Please register your details via the parish office before 31 March.

#### A Day With Mary 2024 Pilgrimages Fatima (7-14 June) and Italy (4-12 September) information available at: <u>www.adaywithmary.org</u> or email <u>adwmary.uk@gmail.com</u>

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** 19 - 26 July 2024 Please see poster in the porch.

# PARISH NOTICES



Happy Mothers' Day. We wish all mothers a very happy and relaxing day. May God bless you.

The SVP Foodbank collection at St Johns Wood parish takes place this weekend. Please leave nonperishable items on the table in the porch. Thank you.

**Bach's St John's Passion.** As part of its Lenten devotions, Westminster Cathedral Choir will perform J.S. Bach's St John Passion on Thursday 14 March at 7:30pm. 30% discounted tickets available at https://www.ticketmaster.co.uk/eve nt/IF00602BD7A81B4F? id=sjp30

Young Adults' Lent Retreat Day with the Assumption Sisters and Fathers on Saturday 16 March from 11:00am – 7:00pm at the Assumption Priory, Victoria Park Square E2 9PB. The programme includes talks, prayer, adoration, confessions, Stations of the Cross, faith sharing, Mass and social time. Donations only. Register at: tramy@assumptionreligious.org.

**Choral Eucharistic Healing Service** takes place on Saturday 16 March at 7:15pm at St Dominic's - The Rosary Shrine. Please see the poster in the porch.

**UCM (Union of Catholic Mothers)** will be having an Easter Egg Hunt and Easter quiz for the children and an adult Easter Raffle with some great prizes after the Sunday morning Mass on Sunday 17 March, from 9:45am - 11:30am in the St John's Wood upper parish hall. £1 per child. All are welcome.

New members are welcome to join this UCM group. Please see the editorial overleaf for details. Peter's of the Cross Way performance will be hosted at the Church of the Immaculate Conception. Farm Street on Friday 22 March at 7:00pm. Event is free. No booking required. A collection will be taken to support the work of the Westminster Diocese Lourdes Pilgrimage. Please see the poster in the porch.

**Readers & Eucharistic Ministers** are invited to sign up, please, for the Holy Week and Easter liturgies outside the sacristy.

The Bi-Annual Concelebrated Requiem Mass at St. Mary's Cemetery, Kensal Green NW10 5NU, will be on Monday 17 June at 11:30am.

Beginning Experience is а residential weekend resource for the widowed. separated and divorced to help with feelings of grief and loss led by trained volunteers (experienced in having to adjust to life as single people). Contact: Mary: 020 8647 4760, or Maura: 07795 498 445, or email besouthofengland@gmail.com

**Mary's Meals** is a simple solution to world hunger and provides 2.4 million children every day with one meal in their place of education in some of the poorest countries of the world. We are working to reach the next hungry child and need more volunteers in London for administrative tasks or to make phone calls. The work can be done from our office on a Thursday near Notting Hill/Holland Park or from home. Please contact

gerrard.mcmahon@marysmeals.or g or telephone 07714 133 383.

**Catholic Listeners.** If you are searching for answers about the Catholic faith the Catholic Listeners website is now available: https://www.catholiclisteners.com