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Service Times

St John's Wood

Sunday Mass
6:00pm (Sat, Vigil),
9:00am, 12:15pm, 6:00pm

Weekday Mass
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Saturday 10:00am

Adoration
Saturday 10.30am - 11.00am

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

Marylebone

Sunday Mass
10:45am (Sung)

Weekday Mass
Monday & Wednesday 12:30pm
Friday 6:30pm

Confessions & Adoration
Friday 5:30pm - 6:15pm

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You're Not Missing Anything

As I was saying last Sunday before I was so rudely interrupted by the working week, just like you, there are lots of programmes I'd like to see on television and hear on the radio. But I never seem to have the time to stop what I'm doing when they're on. Before the days of catch-up apps we had to rely on expensive and clunky early video recorders. Do you remember their euphemistically called "remote controls" on a long lead over someone would inevitably trip? Those were the days...

I refer to these things because in recent weeks a number of people have responded generously to Kathleen's appeal for help around our parishes and a couple of children expressed an interest in becoming altar servers on the back of my last editorial. In addition, Fr Brian always asks you to take home a copy of the newsletter. And now you're thinking, I wonder if I could be a server, or a sacristan, or help open and close the church, but I'm too late?

Well, worry not, because we have our own version of catch-up. Just go to https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/stjohnswood/newsletters/ or https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/marylebone/newsletters-2023-6/- although the newsletter is the same for both our parishes – and there you will find everything you could ever want to know about life in Marylebone's and St John's Wood's Catholic churches.

In just a few minutes of dipping into those sites I easily found Kathleen's regular invitations to exercise various ministries and my own reflections on being an altar server. Advice often appears on how to complete the sacraments of initiation – baptism, Communion and confirmation – for those who missed them earlier in life, or how to become a Catholic from another religion, as well as months of notice about when catechetical classes will be held so that you can be prepared in another parish if that day doesn't suit your family's busy ilves. There were details of prayer groups and talks here and across the diocese, and very, very occasionally, something from me that might make help you join the saints we celebrate today.

So yes, take home a copy of the newsletter after Mass on Sunday or when you're passing, but remember too that they're all there on our websites and the *Facebook* page. And if you don't have access to those, just ask and we can print off the ones you haven't seen.

You're not missing much, especially in what I write, but there's no reason to feel you're too late for things. Or, to put it another way, there's no escape. Poor you. *Canon Kevin*

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PARISH DIARY

Children's Liturgy of the Word
SJW - 9:00am, term time

Tea and Coffee
SJW- after 9:00am Mass, term time
MB - 8 November

Parent/Toddler Group - SJW Upper hall
9:30am - 11:30am Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, term time

Legion of Mary - MB
after 12:30pm Mass, Wednesdays

English Conversation Group - SJW Upper hall
Monday 10:00am - 12noon

Parish Notices

Remembrance Sunday, 9 November. The 10:45 Mass in Marylebone and the 12:15pm Mass at Our Lady's, St John's Wood, will be Solemn Requiems for the Fallen and conclude with the Act of Remembrance.

Preparation for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation in 2027. Application forms for both sacraments will be available to collect from Canon Kevin or Sr Brigid after all Sunday Masses. Confirmation candidates must collect the forms themselves. Please post completed forms through the presbytery door at either parish by 12 noon on Tuesday 1 December.

English Conversation Group. Improve your English, build confidence and meet new people in a friendly, welcoming environment. Everyone is welcome, whether you would like to practice speaking English, make new friends or simply enjoy a relaxed chat together. Next session is on Monday 2 November, in the hall at St John's Wood, 10:00am – 12 noon. For more information, contact Lois on 07761 590 240 or see the poster in the porches.

***SVP* Foodbank Collection** takes place in both parishes next weekend. Please leave non-perishable items on the tables in the porches. Please ensure that all items are securely wrapped to prevent any spillages. Thank you so much for your support.

World Premiere and CD Launch. Our Lady of Victories, Kensington, and *Caritas Westminster* invite you to the premiere of a full sung Mass of Our Lady of Victories, composed by Fr Nigel Woollen, arranged by Timothy Macklin, and performed by *Joyful Light,* on Saturday 21 November at 6:00pm at Our Lady of Victories Catholic Church, Kensington High Street. A charity CD will be launched, with proceeds supporting *Caritas Westminster*. Please see the poster in the porches for further details.

Notice Regarding 12:15pm Sunday Mass Intentions. Due to a computer glitch, some of the 12:15pm Sunday Mass intentions in our Outlook diary have been deleted for the period from Sunday 15 November to Sunday 7 February 2027 inclusive. If you have booked a Mass intention during this period, please contact the parish office or speak to the celebrating priest before Mass so that we can reinstate your booking. We apologise for any inconvenience.

UCM Christmas Family Fayre takes place on Sunday 29 November in the parish hall at St John's Wood after the 9:00am Mass. Children's tickets cost £5, payable on the door, and include a visit from Father Christmas, a children's book, crafts and games. Festive refreshments, a raffle and a silent auction are open to all.

The Nativity Journey at Wintershall takes place from 15 - 20 December. Attendees can discover the true meaning of Christmas with an unforgettable immersive event for all the family. They will stand with the shepherds, walk with Mary, Joseph and the donkey, journey with Roman soldiers and enter the stable to watch the miracle unfold. Tickets can be booked by visiting https://www.wintershall.org.uk/event/the-nativity-journey/ Please also see the poster in the porches.

CAFOD. Could you inspire the next generation and gain valuable experience of presenting to young people at the same time? *CAFOD*, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, is looking for volunteers to visit local schools to present assemblies and workshops. Full training and support will be provided. See cafod.org.uk/Volunteer for more information or contact Westminster's *CAFOD* representative, Chris Driscoll, at cdriscoll@cafod.org.uk or call 07776 493 162.