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## ST MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

JULY - MONTH OF  
THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS  
YEAR B

12 JULY 2015

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## *Ad Multos Annos (For Many Years)*

In homilies I often mention television programmes and films that I've seen, books I've read, or throw in some anecdote from my life to illustrate how a particular passage from Scripture has been impressing itself on my conscience. Despite this openness I am rather reticent about revealing things, especially on *Facebook*. I'm not really into the "events" section by posting, for example, "Father Kevin is going to Sainsbury's" or "Father Kevin is going on holiday," not least because you'd all probably reply, "Again!" Similarly, I've never asked anyone to be my friend—it just seems rather intrusive to me.

In the Church of England, the period around the 29 June, the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, is known as *Petertide* and in our Church and the Anglican Communion many ordinations to the priesthood and diaconate take place. As a result lots of my friends have posted about the joys of their number of years in the ordained ministry. My anniversary was earlier this month and true to form I didn't say or write a word about it.

People generally throw out the old adage that Easter/Christmas is our "busy time" and often ask what a priest does with the rest of his days. Indeed, parishioners are often amazed when they come to the presbytery and find that I'm not there to sign a school form or passport application—apart from saying Mass what else is there to do?

Much of our time comes is occupied by responding to the rather innocuous phrase, "Have you got a minute, Father?" This leads to a time of listening, reflecting on what has been said, offering a bit of advice and mostly praying with and for the individual. Soon after my ordination, a 15 year-old boy approached me and asked for a chat. 16 years later, on 31 May 2015, he was ordained a priest. Last night another young man of my acquaintance was solemnly professed into the Canons Regular of Premontre (or the Premonstratensians, Norbertines or White Canons.) And in September, a third who you have met here directing music, will be clothed as a novice for the Dominicans.

St John Bosco said, "If the Lord could have found a more wretched instrument than me to serve Him, He would have chosen that instrument and He would have been better served." These three boys/men were fortunate to meet many rather less wretched instruments in their discernment but their offering makes mine and the few moments that I gave to them and others all the more worthwhile. So Fr James Cadman, Brother Pius Collins o. praem and fr Wilf Jones OP, may you have as many wonderfully happy years as I have had—*ad multos annos*. Please pray for them and for me. *Fr Kevin*

## Mass Times

Monday—Thursday: 9:30am

Friday: 9:30am,  
6:30pm

Saturday: 9:30am, 6:30pm (Vigil  
Mass of Sunday)

Sunday: 9:00am, 10:30am,  
12:00 noon, 6:30pm

## Sinhalese Mass

Last Sunday of the month: 4:30pm

## Eucharistic Adoration

Weekdays: One hour before  
morning Mass

Saturday: 8:30am—9:30am  
5:30pm—6:15pm

First Friday 7:00pm—8:00pm

## Confessions

Saturday: 10:00am—10:30am  
5:30pm—6:15pm

**Those who are sick:** Michael Connell, David Allen

**Those who have died recently:** Dhanlall Deonath Misir, Maria De Lourdes Fernandes, Anne Murphy, Kathleen Brown

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Patrick & Rose Doran, Ranjith Perera, Mary & Dan O'Sullivan, Susan & Tommy Mallaghan, Tom Creed, Tommy McHugh, Aleksandra Markul, John Mulvihill, Maria Rosa Piedad De Silva, Matthew Newton

**Those whom we have welcomed into the church through baptism:** Preston Christopher Jefcoate, Giorgina Fate Antioquia

## Parish News

**Collection.** Last week's collection was £1,739.03 (excluding standing orders). Thank you very much and may God bless you for your generosity.

**The PTA of St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Junior School** would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who supported the School Summer Fair on Saturday 4 July 2015. The sum of £2,548.52 was raised. These monies will be used to purchase resources for the school.

**Apostleship of the Sea.** Today is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Without them we would not have most of the items we buy in the shops. Today's second collection is for the *Apostleship of the Sea (AoS)* the Church's official maritime welfare agency. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. This annual collection is absolutely vital to enable it to continue its work, so please give generously and remember seafarers in your prayers. Thank you. For more information on the work of the *Apostleship of the Sea* please visit [www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk](http://www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk) or see the video link at [bit.ly/seasundayfilm](http://bit.ly/seasundayfilm) or <http://bit.ly/seasundayfilm>.

**Monday morning Mass.** Please note that because of a funeral there will not be a Mass at 9:30am on Monday 13 July 2015.

**The Funeral of the late Kathleen Brown** of Parkfield Road takes place on Thursday 16 July 2015 at 12:00 noon at Holy Rood church, Watford. May she rest in peace.

**Pilgrimage to Fatima,** 22 November until 28 November 2015, including all excursions, cost £629. For further information please call Mrs Mozzi on 020 8472 0843 or 07859 027 301.

**Volunteers Required.** In the past we have had a toddler group in the parish. With permission we have donated the toys from that group to the growing 'Parent and Toddler' group held in Willesden Green Baptist Church (on the High Road on the corner of Huddleston Road). This group meets each Monday from 9:30am until 11:30am. They are very keen for volunteers to help with the growing numbers coming along. For further details please contact Colleen on 07930 361 148.

**Mass Intentions.** The Diocese now recommends £10 as an offering for a Mass to be celebrated for a particular intention. This figure is for information and guidance as people often wish to offer more and sometimes they need to offer less. If you have a Mass intention please visit the Parish Office, Monday to Friday, 10:00am to 2:00pm, or give details of the Mass intention to Father Kevin or Deacon Michael. Please note that Masses can easily be said within a couple of weeks for pressing intentions.

## Funeral Notices

The Reception and Requiem Mass of the late Maria De Lourdes Fernandes of Helena Road will take place on Monday 13 July 2015 at 10:00am followed by cremation at West London Crematorium at 11:15am

The Reception and Requiem Mass of the late Dhanlall Deonath Misir of Peter Avenue will take place on Thursday 16 July 2015 at 10:30am followed by burial at St Mary's Cemetery Kensal Green at 11:45pm

May they rest in peace

## Diocesan News

**St. Rose's, Chapel and Prayer Garden,** 160 Anson Road, Cricklewood, NW2 6BH will open on the 16 and 23 July from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. There will be Adoration with reflections on the Pope's letter, 'The Face of Mercy', in preparation for the 'Year of Mercy'. Come and let this be a time of prayer and reflection in preparation for 'The Synod on The Family' and 'The Year of Mercy'."

**National Grandparents' Pilgrimage** to the Roman Catholic Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham on Sunday 26 July 2015, a day of faith and fun for all the family. This year it will be celebrated on the feast of St Anne and St Joachim. For more information please visit the website at [www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org](http://www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org) or please see the poster at the back of the church.

**Festival of the Eastern Catholic Churches** takes place at the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral in Duke Street by Bond Street tube on Saturday 1 August 2015 commencing at 10:30am. It is being arranged by the Society of St John Chrysostom, the Catholic society for promoting Catholic-Orthodox reunion and support to the Eastern Catholic Churches. The Cardinal is president. All are welcome. Suggested donation is £10 to cover costs and for proceeds to go to ACN. For further details visit [www.orientalelumen.org.uk](http://www.orientalelumen.org.uk) or please see the poster at the back of the church.

**Summer Accommodation in London.** Allen Hall Seminary in Chelsea offer comfortable rooms in central London in July and August. Beautiful gardens and chapel. Rooms from £50 per night (including breakfast). For details please visit website at [www.allenhall.org.uk](http://www.allenhall.org.uk) or email [allenhall@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:allenhall@rcdow.org.uk), or telephone 020 7349 5600 (option 0).

**Catholic Singles** is an organisation which helps single adult Catholics of all ages meet, either one to one or through social events. Please telephone 0161 941 3498 or visit the website [www.catholicsingles.org.uk](http://www.catholicsingles.org.uk) or email [info@catholicsingles.org.uk](mailto:info@catholicsingles.org.uk).

## Parish Diary

Thursday	7:00pm	Magdala editorial meeting in the Annexe
Saturday	1:00pm	Children's play and prayer group meeting in the Annexe

## Responsorial Psalm and Acclamation

Antiphon: Let us see, O Lord, Your mercy and give us Your saving help.

Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: You have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!