

## Presbytery

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## ST MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

JUNE - MONTH OF  
THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS  
YEAR B  
28 JUNE 2015  
SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

## 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

## Being Ironical [sic]

Having seen the English SATS papers for Key Stage 2 last night in which the children had to explain why Neil Armstrong's moon landing was poetic and identify which sentence began with a subordinate clause, I know now that my English is not up to much.

It is better in the current edition of our parish magazine *Magdala* which is on the newspaper rack at the back of the church and focuses on our 75th Anniversary celebrations. As I read it, I thought of how so many different and time-consuming things that needed to be done were seamlessly woven into a single piece. On another note three people have expressed an interest in becoming catechists and a healthy enough number of people are considering being on the Parish Council to warrant elections, if you can take any more ballot-box excitement. On the other hand, perhaps because of the lists' position at the back of the church, there doesn't seem to be such willingness to become welcomers at our Masses or to help with some social time in the Annexe afterwards.

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. We move from the apostles hiding in fear in the Upper Room or Cenacle in Jerusalem to commemorating the first fearless missionaries to the Jews and the gentiles respectively and the first Pope in the case of the former. While these men were inspiring it must have taken enormous courage for people to approach the fledgling Church for fear of persecution from the authorities. Once inside the Church a great system would have swung into place to catechise the newcomers and make them ready for Baptism and while particular individuals would have been responsible for this task, those seekers of the Way, Truth and Life might have walked out if others had not simply made them feel welcome at the outset.

Today crossing the threshold of a church for the first time or after many years is daunting and that happens a lot here in Willesden Green as our parish demographics shift. How encouraging it would be to be greeted with a smile and offered a hymn book, Mass sheet and newsletter and to know that a drink and a chat are on offer at the end of Mass. Welcoming means arriving maybe 15 minutes before Mass begins and giving out the books, Mass sheets and newsletters with a smile and putting them away after—although if you took the newsletter home this work would be reduced not to mention giving you a tool of evangelisation to pass on to someone else. And couldn't we all do with an extra cup of tea or coffee on a Sunday? There is a lovely warmth here before and after Mass and it would be so easy to embrace others in it. Ironical, isn't it? *Fr Kevin*

**Those who are sick:** Michael Connell, David Allen, Catherine Lynch, Mamie Hall, Peter Corcoran, John Cattigan, Bridie Cusack, Eileen Costelloe

**Those who have died recently:** Kathleen Lovett

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Cornelius O'Neill, Mary Jo Regan & Jonathan Monroe, Liam Anthony

## Parish News

**Collection.** Last week's collection was £2,241.26 (excluding standing orders). Thank you very much and may God bless you for your generosity.

**Peter's Pence collection** takes place this weekend after all Masses. The *Peter's Pence* Collection is taken up worldwide to support the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters and others in need of emergency assistance.

**Ashford Place.** The monthly collection of non perishable food stuffs only, for Ashford Place, takes place this weekend.

**St Mary Magdalen's Wednesday Club** meets weekly in Kings Hall from 1:00pm to 3:30pm. All are welcome.

**St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Junior School Summer Fair** takes place on Saturday 4 July 2015, 12 noon until 3:00pm. Please join our parish junior school for a fantastic afternoon of fun for the children, their families and the local community. All monies raised at this event will be used to purchase resources for the school. There will be a raffle with a first prize of £250 cash plus many more super prizes. Raffle tickets will be available to purchase after the 10:30am Mass today.

**Flavour Lounge Willesden** will be holding a weekly Sunday market offering wholesome quality food in a lovely setting with music. The weekly market starts on Sunday 5 July 2015 at St Andrew's Church courtyard, 145 High Road, Willesden NW10 3UH. For more information please contact Osita Udenson on 07875 588 107 or email [udenson@btinternet.com](mailto:udenson@btinternet.com) or visit the website at [www.udensoncaldbeck.co.uk/vibemarket](http://www.udensoncaldbeck.co.uk/vibemarket).

**Confirmation and First Holy Communion photographs** taken by the photographer Martin Breakspear are still available to purchase. Please contact Martin on 07905 827 194 or 020 8907 9741 or email [mbreakspear@btinternet.com](mailto:mbreakspear@btinternet.com).

**Parish Newsletter.** Any notices for the weekly Sunday newsletter should be given to the Parish Office by Thursday noon. Thank you for your kind cooperation.

## Funeral Notices

The Reception and Requiem Mass of the late Ellen McEvoy of Clement Close, will take place on Tuesday 30 June 2015 at 11:00am followed by cremation at West London Crematorium at 12:45pm

May she rest in peace

## Diocesan News

**Divine Mercy Apostolate** run by the Marian Fathers is organising a Divine Mercy Retreat on Saturday 4 July 2015 11:00am until 4:00pm at St George's RC Cathedral Southwark, Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7HY. Please see the poster at the back of the church.

**Pilgrimage of Reparation & Consecration** to St Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Kensal Green, NW10 5NU on Saturday 18 July 2015 led by Fr Gwil Lloyd from the Diocese of Birmingham. Usually this pilgrimage takes place in Walsingham but this year it is to be at St Mary's Chapel in the cemetery grounds.

**SVP St John Bosco Camp** offers children aged 8-13 a sports and activity based holiday on a campsite in the Essex countryside. Run with a Catholic ethos, the camp is especially for children who may not have any other holiday this year. The boys' camp runs for two weeks during the summer holiday from 25 July to 8 August 2015 and the girls' camp runs for one week from 8 August to 15 August 2015. Please note that the boys' camp age range is 8 to 13 while the girls' is 9 to 12. For further details and for application forms log onto [www.svpboscocamp.org.uk](http://www.svpboscocamp.org.uk).

**Nurses required.** Our Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes travels 26 July until 1 August and because of the increasing number of sick wishing to join the pilgrimage we are urgently in need of more qualified nurses to ensure we can provide the care necessary for them to travel. If you are interested in joining our pilgrimage nursing team then please call Gerald Daly on 020 7798 9173.

**Sing Well and Pray Twice:** a summer day of music, prayer and fun with international composer Christopher Walker on Saturday 29 August 2015, 10:00am until 4:00pm. Workshops, celebration of Mass and lunch. Individual and parish group bookings welcome. No charge but donations welcomed to the Parish Regeneration Project, St Augustine's Catholic Church, 55 Fulham Palace Road, London W6 8AU. Advance booking is required. Please telephone 020 8748 3788 or visit the website at [staugustineshammersmith.eventbrite.co.uk](http://staugustineshammersmith.eventbrite.co.uk).

**Westminster Youth Ministry** are leading a pilgrimage for youths 16 years and over to 'World Youth Day' in 2016, visiting both Lodz for 'Days in the Diocese', and Krakow for 'World Youth Day'. The pilgrimage runs from 18 July until 31 July 2016 and is priced at £750, inclusive of all accommodation, travel, 'World Youth Day' fees and food. There is an option for those over 18 to join the pilgrimage for the 'World Youth Day' week only. For more information email [youth@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:youth@rcdow.org.uk) or visit the website at [dowym.com](http://dowym.com), or telephone 020 7387 1971. Please see the poster at the back of the church.

## Parish Diary

Wednesday	8:00pm	<i>Pioneers</i> meeting in the Annexe
Thursday	8:00pm	<i>Padre Pio</i> Group in the Annexe
Saturday	1:00pm	Children's play and prayer group meeting in the Annexe

## Responsorial Psalm and Acclamation

Antiphon: Their word goes forth through all the earth.  
 Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, You know everything; You know I love You. Alleluia!