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**ST MARY MAGDALEN
CATHOLIC CHURCH**
**JUNE—MONTH OF
THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS**
10 June 2018
10TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR B

Home is where the heart is

As you may know seminarians study between six and seven years as part of their training and formation to the Priesthood. Everyone will at some point study at two classical languages: Latin and first century Greek; the latter, according to biblical scholars, Christ himself would have been familiar, in addition to Hebrew and Aramaic.

At half-past seven every morning, the seminary gather in chapel for meditation and the Angelus. I am sure all of you reading this will be familiar with this devotion commemorating the Incarnation of Jesus Christ. After the presider announces “And the Word was made flesh” every knee hits the kneeler and we respond “And dwelt amongst us” however I do not think the translation does the Greek justice. A better translation would be “and pitched His tent among us”. It sounds rather odd and archaic but that is because it is and is meant to be.

Throughout the Old Testament, ‘the pitching of tents’ carries much significance and is often linked with the presence of God as well as offering, sacrifice and blessing. In Genesis, God appeared to Isaac and after he built an altar, invoked the Lord’s name, pitched his tent and the Lord was with him. In Chronicles, David pitched a tent for the Lord when the Ark was brought to Jerusalem (1 Chron 15:1). In Samuel, David pitched a tent for the Ark of the Lord and erected an altar and offered burnt sacrifices to God (2 Sam 6:17). In the book of Wisdom, when the Israelites wandered through the desert, they pitched their tent in the wilderness; the Lord was with them and God gave them water from the rock (Wisdom 11:1-4).

Since 2013, I have pitched my tent in seven places from St. Albans to the north west of Spain. This was mainly due to my formation in becoming a priest; moving from place to place. It has given me an insight into the promise of obedience, which God willing, one day I will give to my Bishop and his successors. And so when the time comes to move on to pastures anew, I will do so, ever trusting that I am being sent on God’s orders. However ultimately, the pitching of our tents in this life wherever we end up is always temporal and it is a reality we should keep in mind.

At the end of today’s second reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians, the apostle assures the Church in Corinth as he does the Church in Willesden Green, that when our tent on earth is rolled up, there is a house which God has built for us, an everlasting home not made by human hands, in the heavens. This dear friends is our destination. Heaven is our Home for that is where our hearts are and in God alone will they find their rest.

Seminarian Tim

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 have died recently: Mary Roddy, Daniel McGovern, Grace Shortt, Andrew Mondesir

Those who are sick: Valerie Crain, Kelly Rice, Peter Corcoran

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Maria Goretti Egan, Thomas Gilgunn, Patrick & Martin Grealish, Ray Sweeney, Eileen Costello, Kathleen Higgins, Michael Barrett, William & Bill McGloin, Zowie Griffiths

Parish News

Collection. Last week's collection was £1,586.54 (excluding standing orders). Standing orders for May amounted to £1,539.00. Thank you very much for your generosity.

Blessed Sacrament procession on the Feast of *Corpus Christi*.

Thank you to all who helped with our Blessed Sacrament Procession to the Church of the Transfiguration, Kensal Rise last Sunday. Particularly those who volunteered to steward the event, carry the Canopy and to the children who beautifully distributed rose petals before our Lord.

Tea and coffee. You are welcome in the Annexe after the 9:00am and 10:30am Masses when we will be serving drinks. Do take this opportunity to meet your fellow parishioners. We do need more volunteers on the tea/coffee rota. If you can help please either speak with Father Kevin or telephone the parish office on 020 8451 4677, alternatively please email willesdengreen@rcdow.org.uk.

Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Cleaners. Thank you for undertaking these important ministries in our parish. In line with the new data protection regulations which came into effect on the 25 May 2018, please could all those serving as readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and cleaners complete and sign the lists on the table in the sacristy. You can read our full privacy policy on rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy or on our parish website at rcdow.org.uk/parish/willesdengreen or on the noticeboard at the back of the church.

Bi-Annual Concelebrated Requiem Mass at St Mary's Cemetery, Kensal Green, will be on Monday 11 June 2018 at 11:30am.

St Anthony's Feast will be celebrated in Konkani next Sunday 17 June at 3:00pm in St Mary Magdalen's Church, Willesden Green.

Annual Parish Summer Concert takes place on Friday 22 June 2018 at 7:30pm. Our theme for 2018 is 'Heart Speaks to Heart' and features young violinists from the parish, singers from the Royal College and Academy, and St Mary Magdalen's school choir. Organised by Patricia Rozario and Mark Troop. Please come and enjoy - all are welcome.

St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Junior School Linacre Road NW2 Summer Fair takes place on Friday 29 June at 5:00pm—8:00pm. All are welcome.

Special Needs Summer Raffle 2018. The parish Special Needs Group will be holding a summer raffle. First prize—£200 cash donated by *M.P Moran Ltd*; second prize—£100 cash; third prize—£50 cash, plus many more wonderful prizes. All proceeds from the raffle will go towards a summer barbeque for local people with learning disabilities. Raffle tickets will be on sale after all Masses 30 June/1 July 2018. Tickets cost £1 per strip. All winners will be announced in the Annexe after 12 noon Mass on Sunday 8 July 2018. Please see the poster at the back of the church.

Cash Counters. Father Kevin will be doing a brief training session to ensure that all counters are following the same

procedures on Sunday 15 July 2018 at 5:30pm. There should be at least one representative from each team. However, all counters are most welcome to attend. Please email the parish office at willesdengreen@rcdow.org.uk to confirm your attendance so we can cater for refreshments as a thank you for the important work you carry out for the parish.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham takes place on Saturday 22 September 2018 led by Cardinal Vincent and the auxiliary bishops. The theme of the pilgrimage this year will centre on the World Meeting of Families in Dublin and the forthcoming Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool. The pilgrimage also takes place close to the feast of Our Lady of Walsingham and a special blessing for families and the family home will be given in Walsingham. If you would like to attend please either email the parish office at willesdengreen@rcdow.org.uk or telephone 020 8451 4677 with your name, email address and telephone number so we can get an idea of numbers before booking a coach.

Confirmation 2018. Please go to the following link: <https://5661602.tifmember.com/v/photos/wg/C293143404/westminster-cath-edited> to view the Confirmation pictures. If you require further information please contact Simon Drake via email simondrake1967@gmail.com by visiting the website www.simondrakephotography.co.uk or Facebook or by telephone on 020 8384 0629 or mobile 07858 519 771.

Funeral Notices

The Reception and Requiem Mass of the late Daniel McGovern of Essex Road will take place on Monday 11 June 2018 at 11:30am followed by burial at Willesden Cemetery at 12:45pm

The Reception and Requiem Mass of the late Mary Teresa Roddy of Hawkins Road will place on Friday 15 June 2018 at 11:00am followed by cremation at West London Crematorium at 12:45pm

May they rest in peace

Parish Diary

Monday	7:00pm	Prayer Group—Annexe
Thursday	7:15pm	SVP—Annexe
Friday	7:00pm	Knights of <i>St Columba</i> —Annexe
Saturday	3:00pm—5:00pm	"The Feast London" - a Catholic prayer meeting of the Light of Jesus Family—Annexe

Responsorial Psalm and Acclamation

Antiphon: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!