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## ST MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

JANUARY —MONTH OF  
THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS

20 JANUARY 2019

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
YEAR C

## 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

Monday—Friday:

One hour before  
morning Mass

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

First Friday (Holy Hour):  
7:00pm—8:00pm

## Confessions

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

## Christ at the heart of our Community

The miracle at the wedding in Cana is one of the most famous of all the miracles of the Lord. Who hasn't wanted to change water into wine at some stage in their lives? It is a miracle which gives us a beautiful insight into the love of the Lord for ordinary people; here we truly see God among us at this wedding. Weddings were big events in the time of Jesus, in the rural communities like Cana. The whole village would be involved, and the celebrations could go on for days. We must picture Jesus among his friends, laughing, eating, and maybe even dancing as the partying got under way.

It is so good to come to a community here which so clearly has Jesus at its heart. The Masses I have been to last weekend and during the week are so clearly times of prayer, but also of celebration. I am beginning – very slowly – to get to know people, and finding out who does what here in Willesden Green.

My aim as your Parish Priest is to build on the many good things which happen here. We have Jesus Christ at the heart of our community, and that should make it an attractive place for us all, wherever we may be from. Dear friends, let us pray for one another. Monsignor Roger

**Those who have died recently:** Fr Seamus Noctor, Josephine Kenny

**Those who are sick:** Ella Evans, Elfriede Singleton, Peter Corcoran

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Michael Hollowed, Michael Brady, Nicky Englishby, John O'Brien, Joseph Flanagan

## Parish News

**Collection.** Last week's collection was £1,782.46 (excluding standing orders). Standing orders for December amounted to £1,604.00. Thank you for your generosity.

**Altar Linen rotas and Gardening rotas.** New rotas are now available to collect from the rack in the Sacristy.

**St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Junior School Linacre Road NW2** currently has spaces in Year 4 and Year 5. Please contact the school office on 020 8459 3159 if you are interested in a place.

**Parish Office.** Please note that the parish office will be closed on Tuesday 22 January 2019 and will reopen at 10:00am on Wednesday 23 January 2019.

**Father Kevin Jordan Collection.** There will be a collection after all Masses this weekend to thank and show our appreciation to Father Kevin for all his hard work and dedication to our parish in the last seven and a half years.

**Father Kevin Jordan Farewell Mass of Thanksgiving and Celebration** takes place on Friday 25 January 2019. Father Kevin will celebrate Mass here at 6:30pm. A celebration will follow at St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Junior School, Linacre Road NW2 5BB. As Friday is a day of abstinence there will be no meat at the celebration. Please sign up on the amended food and helpers' lists on the table at the back of the church today. Please note that if you are bringing food there are no cooking or reheating facilities available at the school. Servers should check with their parents then indicate their availability to serve for this Mass by signing the list on the noticeboard in the sacristy. Everyone is welcome to attend both the Mass and the celebration.

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

**Funeral of the late Josephine Kenny of Doyle Gardens** is to take place at the Most Sacred Heart Church, Ruislip. Reception is on Monday 28 January 2019 at 8:00pm and the Requiem Mass is on Tuesday 29 January 2019 at 12 noon. May she rest in peace.

**Crib Offering 2018.** This Christmas our crib offering will be donated to the *Catholic Children's Society* to provide family support, emergency grants and mental health services for vulnerable children in our Diocese.

## Readings at Mass

### Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

**First Reading:** Isaiah 62:1—5

**Psalm Response:** Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples.

**Second Reading:** St Paul to the Corinthians 12:4—11

**Alleluia Verse:** Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life.

**Gospel:** John 2:1—11

## Diocesan News

**Mary's Meals 'Double the Love' Campaign.** From now until 1 March 2019 the UK government will match donations up to £2 million. It is an amazingly simple opportunity to change the lives of chronically hungry children in Zambia with a daily meal in school. So, any funds raised between now and 1 March will be doubled. For more information or to donate online please visit [www.marysmeals.org.uk](http://www.marysmeals.org.uk). Please also see the poster at the back of the church.

**SVP** are distributing 11,500 Vinnie Packs containing cold weather essentials to the homeless and those spending the principal part of their day on the streets. Each pack contains thermal gloves, two pairs of socks, gloves, wet wipes, toothbrush, toothpaste, information sheet and pen. Please could you consider sponsoring packs at a suggested donation of £3.50 per pack. Donations can be sent to Vinnie Packs, PO Box 72264, London SW1P 9EZ with cheques made out to SVP. Thank you.

**Love Heals Body Mind and Spirit Ministry** Welcome you to come to a one day retreat of quiet reflection on Saturday 26 January 2019 at 11:00am—5:00pm at the Catholic Church of our Lady of Assumption and St Gregory, Warwick Street, Piccadilly, W1F 9JR. Please see the poster at the back of the church for full details including the full programme for the day.

**Concert: 'A Celebration of Irish music, theatre, poetry and dancing in the week of St Brigid'** hosted by the Irish Chaplaincy at St James' Church, Piccadilly, takes place on Wednesday 30 January 2019 at 7:00pm. Tickets are available via the website at [www.thecraic.co.uk](http://www.thecraic.co.uk). Please see the poster at the back of the church.

**Faith Matters Question Time.** The next *FMQT* takes place at Farm Street on Thursday 7 February 2019 at 6:45pm on the topic of 'Violent Crime in London: What Can Be Done?' The main presentation will be given by Barry and Margaret Mizen of the 'For Jimmy Foundation', with responses by Fr Michael Holman SJ and a representative of the Legatum Institute. Suggested donation of £10 on the door. To book and for more information please email [farmstreetoffice@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:farmstreetoffice@rcdow.org.uk) or telephone 020 7529 4829. Please see the poster at the back of the church.

## Parish Diary

Monday	5:30pm— 6:30pm	First Holy Communion class at St Mary Magdalen's Junior School
Monday	7:00pm— 8:30pm	Confirmation class at St Mary Magdalen's Junior School
Monday	7:00pm	Prayer Group—Annexe
Thursday	7:15pm	SVP—Annexe
Thursday	8:00pm	Finance Committee—Presbytery
Saturday	3:00pm— 5:00pm	"The Feast London" - a Catholic prayer meeting of the Light of Jesus Family in the Annexe