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Spiritual Quote of the Week

*“Do not abandon yourselves to
despair. We are the Easter people
and alleluia is our song.”*

Pope Saint John Paul II



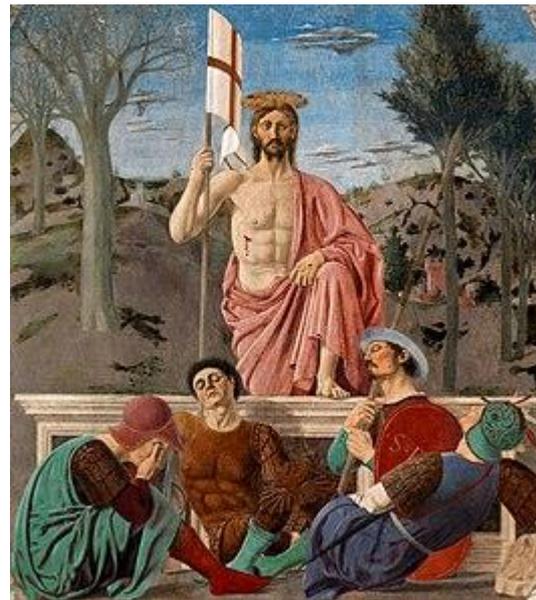
**ST MARY MAGDALEN
CATHOLIC CHURCH
APRIL—MONTH OF
THE HOLY EUCHARIST
12 APRIL 2020
EASTER SUNDAY
OF THE RESURRECTION
YEAR A**

CHRIST OUR HOPE IS RISEN

I must thank all those children who have been painting rainbows
and then displaying them

in their windows. From
Noah's flood onwards, the
rainbow has become a sign
of hope, and the rainbows
remind us that, among all
the very real pain, suffering
and fear, we must be a

people of hope. That hope
is made reality in the resur-
rection of Jesus Christ, and
I commend to you these



words from Pope Francis, as he meditates on the Resurrection of
Jesus Christ.

“Life has conquered death. Mercy and love have triumphed over
sin. One needs faith and hope to open to this wondrous new
horizon. And we know that faith and hope are God's gift, and we
have to ask for it: “Lord, give me faith. Lord give me hope. We
need it so much!” *Pope Francis, 28 March 2016.*

A very hope filled Easter to you all, and an assurance of our
prayers for you and your loved ones, especially any who may be
sick, afraid, alone or simply exhausted.

Monsignor Roger and Father Sudham

Those who have died recently: Fr Austin Garvey, Fr John O'Halloran, Fr John William Helm,
Mairead Carolan, Mary D'Brass

Those who are sick: Delton John Daroux, Breda Foley, Babs Barrett, Peter Corcoran, Elfriede Singleton,
Michael O'Callaghan, Francis Maguire

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Patrick Boland, Kathleen Bradley, Edward Elva Benoit,
Mr Eugene, Henryk Nowicki

Parish News

Mass Intentions. As public Masses cannot be celebrated at this time, it is generally no longer appropriate for priests to celebrate Mass more than once a day, including on Sundays. This might mean that some Masses which were to be celebrated for a special intention will now not be celebrated singly. In these situations, and only whilst these very exceptional circumstances continue, it might be necessary for a Mass to be celebrated for more than one intention. Should any member of the faithful who has arranged to have a Mass celebrated for a specific intention not wish to have that intention included with other intentions in what is known as a Collective Intention Mass s/he should contact the parish office.

What happens if you go into hospital? In light of strict data protection rules it is essential that on entering hospital you indicate that your details or those of your relative are to be passed to the Roman Catholic chaplain. Also state that you or your relative would like the Roman Catholic chaplain to visit you. Chaplains visit the wards during the week and provide an on-call service in case of emergencies.

Finances. Standing orders for March amounted to £3,381.00. Thank you for your generosity. The mission of the parish continues, as do all the costs necessary to maintain our presence here in Willesden Green. We kindly ask that if you are able, you might continue contributing so that we maintain our life and witness. Thank you all for everything that you give to our parish, financially, spiritually and pastorally. We all rely on this generosity of heart and spirit.

CAFOD Lent Fast Day 2020 6 March 2020. Our parish raised a fantastic £1,551.94 for CAFOD's Family Fast Day. Your support will help ensure no one is beyond reach of the love and care they need to flourish. Thank you for fasting in solidarity, and please keep our sisters and brothers in your prayers.

Radio Mass broadcasts. There are regular celebrations of Mass broadcast by RTE Radio 1 Extra and are accessible here on a standard radio, on 252 Long Wave. Please share this information verbally with any people who, through lack of internet links, would otherwise not receive it. More detail is available via email from roger.childs@rte.ie.

Facebook. Please take a look at our new Facebook page: www.facebook.com/SMMWillesden where we have posted Masses, articles, interviews, photographs, meditations and videos from a wide range of sources, including The Vatican and The Catholic Herald. We would also love to post your photographs/poems/ ideas on how you are coping with self-isolation and lockdown. Please email these to us at willesdengreen@rcdow.org.uk or use Messenger. Thank you to everyone who has already visited the page and 'liked' us! Please spread the word!

Parish Group email. If you have not received an email from the parish updating you on our current situation in response to the coronavirus pandemic, Mass links and other resources it is likely that you either have not completed a parish registration form or

that your contact details need to be updated. Please either telephone the parish office on 020 8451 4677 or email willesdengreen@rcdow.org.uk with your email address.

Weekly Newsletter. We are trying to continue this online version which appears on our website. Let us know of anything that you might like to include. Daily Mass is posted each day on our YouTube page [St Mary Magdalen's RC Church, Willesden, London](https://www.youtube.com/channel/CxIsefyI9g9A5SGWA4FvGIA/featured) and Facebook page www.facebook.com/SMMWillesden. You can also find attached to the website a list of parishes so that you can participate in Mass via live streaming. Alternatively you can join Pope Francis on: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/CxIsefyI9g9A5SGWA4FvGIA/featured>. Any notices for the weekly Sunday newsletter should be given to the Parish Office by Wednesday noon via email at willesdengreen@rcdow.org.uk.

Diocesan News

Catholic papers. In these difficult times it is vital that we all keep in touch with each other, and with our Catholic faith. Even though your parish is closed, you can still get your favourite Catholic paper. Universe Media Group Limited will deliver direct to your home for the next 12 weeks for just £18, including postage. Don't miss out on the latest Catholic news and features. Please visit <https://www.thecatholicuniverse.com/product/the-catholic-universe-3-months-just-18>.

Readings at Mass

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 10:34. 37—43

Psalm Response: This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.

Second Reading: St Paul to the Colossians 3:1—4

Alleluia Verse: Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord.

Gospel: John 20:1—9

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Sunday Readings and Prayers

Entrance antiphon Cf. Psalm 138:18, 5-6

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia.

Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

Opening Prayer

O God, who on this day, through your Only Begotten Son, have conquered death and unlocked for us the path to eternity, grant, we pray, that we who keep the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit, rise up in the light of life.

First Reading: Acts 10:34.37-43

We had eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection.

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses - we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead - and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

Responsorial psalm: 117

R/. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.
Let the sons of Israel say:
"His love has no end." **R./**

2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds. **R./**

3. The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes. **R./**

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

You must look for the things in heaven where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed - and he is your life - you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

Easter Sequence

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer your thankful praises. A lamb the sheep redeemed: Christ, who alone is sinless, reconciled sinners to the Father. Death and life have contended in that combat stupendous; the Prince of life who died, reigns immortal. Speak, Mary, declaring what you saw wayfaring: "The tomb of Christ who is living, the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. Bright angels attesting, the shroud and napkin resting. Yea, Christ my hope is risen: to Galilee he goes before you." Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life obtaining: Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning. Amen. Alleluia!

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Christ, our Passover has been sacrificed for us; let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 20:1-9

He must rise from the dead

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.' So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

Renewal of baptismal promises

Cel: Dear brothers and sisters, through the Paschal Mystery we have been buried with Christ in Baptism, so that we may walk with him in newness of life. Also, now that our Lenten observance is concluded, let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and his works and promised to serve God in the holy Catholic Church.

And so I ask you:

Cel: Do you renounce sin, so as to live in the freedom of the children of God?

All: I do.

Cel: Do you renounce the lure of evil, so that sin may have no mastery over you?

All: I do.

Cel: Do you renounce Satan, the author and prince of sin?

All: I do.

Cel: Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?

All: I do.

Cel: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

All: I do.

Cel: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting?

All: I do.

Cel: And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and bestowed on us forgiveness of our sins, keep us by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord, for eternal life.

All: Amen.

Prayer over the Offerings

Exultant with paschal gladness, O Lord, we offer the sacrifice by which your Church is wondrously born and renourished.

Communion Antiphon 1 Cor 5:7-8

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

Post Communion prayer

Lord upon your Church,

O God, with unfailing love and favour, so that, renewed by the paschal mysteries, she may come to the glory of the resurrection.

ST MARY MAGDALEN MASS & SERVICE TIMES

Week commencing 12 April 2020

Sunday 12 April 2020 – Easter Sunday of the Resurrection

The Mass Intentions for the weekend are:

Celebrant's Intentions

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No evening Mass

Monday 13 April 2020 – Monday within the Octave of Easter

9:30am Baby Molly Mae

Tuesday 14 April 2020 – Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

9:30am Ann Byrne RIP

Wednesday 15 April 2020 – Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

9:30am David Portsmouth RIP

Thursday 16 April 2020 – Thursday within the Octave of Easter

9:30am David Portsmouth RIP

Friday 17 April 2020 – Friday within the Octave of Easter

9:30am Patrick Boland Anniv

6:30pm Clare O'Beirne Ints

Saturday 18 April 2020 – Saturday within the Octave of Easter

9:30am Kathleen Bradley Anniv

6:30pm Maria O'Beirne Ints