

## Presbytery

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*YouTube:*

[St Mary Magdalen's RC Church,  
Willesden, London](#)

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## Parish Clergy

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## Parish Office

[willesdengreen@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:willesdengreen@rcdow.org.uk)

Office Hours

Tuesday—Friday:  
10:00am until 2:00pm

## Mass Times

Saturday 6:30pm (Vigil Mass of  
Sunday)

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

Monday— Friday 9:30am

Saturday: 9:30am & 6:30pm

Church closes after all Public Masses

## Mass Online

Masses are livestreamed on our  
*YouTube* channel: [St Mary Magdalen  
RC Church, Willesden, London -  
YouTube](#). Masses are normally live  
streamed Monday - Saturday at 9:30am  
& Sunday at 9:00am

## Individual Prayer with Eucharistic Adoration

Weekdays and Saturday:  
One hour before morning Mass

## Confession

At Call



## ST MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

MAY —MONTH OF  
THE BLESSED VIRGIN  
9 MAY 2021  
6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
YEAR B

“I have told you this so that my joy may be in you”.

Our Gospel reading this weekend is part of the teaching which Jesus gave his disciples at the Last Supper as recorded by Saint John. You will remember that last Sunday we considered the first half of the parable of the one True Vine, and this Sunday we contemplate the second part. Jesus reminds his disciples, and us, to follow the commandments, love one another, remain in him, and bear fruit for the glory of God. Jesus reminds them, and us, that his words are not to burden us with excess worries or tasks, but instead are intended for the fulness of joy.

Our love for one another, and our complete joy is not to be kept to ourselves. Jesus tells us he has chosen us as his friends and that we are to go out and bear fruit. This can be done by sharing our joy with others.

In two weeks' time, at Pentecost, we will be celebrating the sacraments with four adults: Yoko, Tinashe, Samina and Joseph, whom I have been preparing since the end of last year. Two will be baptised, confirmed and receive their First Holy Communion; one will be received into full communion with the RC Church, will be confirmed and receive his First Holy Communion; and one will be confirmed. This will indeed be an occasion of great joy and we pray the Lord will bless each one of them abundantly. Please keep them in your prayers.

Father Mark

**Those who have died recently:** James Varley, Jan Zarzycki, Anthony O'Hora, Sean Ennis

**Those who are sick:** Tony Rowland, Jerome & Gareth Hayes, Paz Shaw, Babs Barrett

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Nancy Dollery, Ernie & Catherine Lindford, Guan & Vivencia

## Parish News

**Collection of 25 April 2021** amounted to £1,122.62. Standing orders for March amounted to £3,803.00. Thank you for your generosity.

**May Devotion at the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden** will take place this Sunday, 9 May, at 3:30pm at the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden. It will include Holy Rosary and Benediction, with music from the Shrine Singers. Due to Covid restrictions only a limited number of seats will be available for reservation. The Devotion will be livestreamed. For a link to the livestream and booking of available seats, please visit: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/willesden/>

**The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, Thursday 13 May.** Normally it is (outside Covid) a Holy Day of Obligation but do try to come to Mass if you are able. Masses will be celebrated at 9:30am and 7:00pm.

**Youth Alpha.** Next session will take place on Thursday 13 May 2021 at 7:00pm. Meeting ID will be sent from: [willesdengreenalpha@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:willesdengreenalpha@rcdow.org.uk)

**RCIA Candidates and Catechumens.** Please continue to pray for Yoko, Tinashe, Joseph and Samina who will be receiving the Sacraments at Pentecost.

**First Mass of Pentecost: Saturday 22 May at 6:30pm.** Our RCIA catechumens and candidates will be either be received into full communion with the RC Church or be baptised and/or confirmed at this Mass. All parishioners are most welcome to attend (subject to space restrictions due to COVID). However, the Mass will be longer than usual so you may wish to attend an alternative Mass on Pentecost Sunday.

**Parish Financial Report 2019 & 2020** is available on the tables as you leave church today. A copy can also be requested from the Parish Office and posted to you.

**Planned Giving Envelopes 2021/2022.** Any boxes which were not collected from the church have now either been posted or delivered to you. If you have not received them please let us know. Please note that we only send them out to those who request them or have received them previously. If you would like to be part of the Planned Giving envelope scheme or wish to set up or switch to a standing order please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Office.

**St Mary Magdalen Wednesday Club.** Lonely? Want to make new friends? Why not join the over 50's Wednesday Club? We are a group of fun-loving young hearts that meet every Wednesday for gentle exercise, tea/coffee/snacks, play bingo and other outdoor activities and outings. We start at 1:30pm and close at 3:00pm. If interested, please contact Gillian on 020 8830 2848 or 07535 449 893 for more details.

**Parish Newsletter.** A paper copy is available to take home with you after Mass and is posted weekly online at: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/willesdengreen/parish-newsletters-2021/>

## Diocesan News

**The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for May 2021:** Universal - The World of Finance: Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

**Bishops encourage Catholics to place Sunday Mass at the heart of their post-pandemic lives.** The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales have issued a reflection on post-pandemic recovery and the challenges faced by the Church in encouraging people back to the Church and her sacraments. Please visit: <https://rcdow.org.uk/news/bishops-encourage-catholics-to-place-sunday-mass-at-the-heart-of-their-post-pandemic-lives/>

**Thy Kingdom Come - Lighting up the world in prayer— 13—23 May 2021** - Once again, alongside other Catholic dioceses we are pleased to be participating in this timely ecumenical initiative to help us reflect more deeply on our journey with Christ and personal call to discipleship. A variety of rich Catholic resources are available for use in our parish communities, which can enable us to prepare more fully to celebrate the great Feast of Pentecost. In a year that has been beset by many personal challenges and worries, we hope that these resources may provide a useful source of spiritual nourishment and reflection. Resources can be found at: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/events/thy-kingdom-come/> You can also visit the official website for *Thy Kingdom Come* at: <https://www.thykingdomcome.global/>

**Have you had the vaccine or are not sure about it?** A Covid-19 vaccine confidence webinar has been organized for the of Dioceses of Brentwood, Southwark and Westminster, with the cooperation of Hertfordshire County Council and Hammersmith and Fulham Council, and other local authorities. It will take place on Saturday 15 May 2021 from 10:00am to 11.30am and will feature a panel of eminent medical experts led by Prof Kevin Fenton, Regional Director of Public Health London. The panel will share the latest information on COVID-19 vaccination. There will be an opportunity for participants to ask questions anonymously. To join the webinar: <https://zoom.us/j/99627319556> Passcode: 546617. The recording of the previous webinar, held prior to Easter, is available to view at: <https://rcdow.org.uk/news/vaccination-confidence-webinar/>

**Retrouvaille.** Covid 19—a very challenging time for many marriages. So much uncertainty around, health, income, employment, vulnerable family members, children, housing. It can be difficult to talk, to listen to support and comfort when there is so much uncertainty. Being together all the time, brings different challenges. You wonder would we be better apart? *Retrouvaille* is a programme to support couples, it brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriage and you don't need to leave home, it comes to you! For information about *Retrouvaille'*, or to register for the next programme, a Virtual weekend commencing on 1—4 July 2021, call or text 07887 296 983 or 07973 380 443 or email: [retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com) or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)