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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

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

Saturdays: 5:30pm– 6:15pm & At Call



ST MARY MAGDALEN

CATHOLIC CHURCH

JUNE —MONTH OF
THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

6 JUNE 2021

Corpus Christi

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***"This is my Body...This is my Blood, the Blood of the
Covenant, which is to be poured out for many".***

Today we celebrate Corpus Christi, the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. Our Gospel records the Passover meal, the Lord Jesus celebrated with his disciples at which he embodies the New Covenant, the Covenant of His Body and Blood.

The original Old Testament covenant was sealed by a death and by the sharing of the blood between God (signified by the altar) and his people as a sign of new life (see today's first reading). Israel broke that covenant by persistently refusing to keep true to the way of life which the covenant enshrined.

Now Jesus' new covenant engages us in a new alliance and gives us new life. The event described in the Gospel is the warranty and guarantee that, each time we receive the Body and Blood of Christ, we are bound anew into his covenant.

The institution of the Eucharist is told in almost exactly similar terms in each of the first three gospels and in Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. It must have been learnt and repeated by heart. There is just enough difference to show that Mark and Matthew reflect the tradition of the Hebrew communities, while Paul and Luke reflect the tradition of the Greek-speaking communities. This narrative must have been repeated again and again from the very first years of Christianity.

Each time we repeat these words "This is my body. This is my blood", we are entering again into Jesus' covenant. There should be a health warning. The Mass is a serious business: are you ready to commit yourself to the Kingdom, to engage in a new and personal alliance with Christ and to live your life in Him?

Perhaps we also need to ask ourselves what obligations do we take on by receiving the Eucharist?

Father Mark.

Those who have died recently: Maureen Manning

Those who are sick: Pat O'Rourke, Tony Teixeira

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Kathleen Mullan

Parish News

Collection of 23 May 2021 amounted to £ 1428.64 Standing orders for April amounted to £3,625.00. Thank you.

Youth Alpha. Next session will take place on Thursday 10 June at 7:00pm. Meeting ID will be sent from willesdengreenalpha@rcdow.org.uk

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.

Catholic Universe and Catholic Times Readers in the Parish. You can now get your paper delivered direct to your home every week POST FREE (it's quick and it's simple). Just go <https://thecatholicuniverse.com/> or call 0161 820 5722 for delivery. All papers are COVID safe and packed in a sterile component. Special Offer 3 Months: £25.00 Special Offer 12 Months: £99.00 Digital copy—12 Months: £55.00 or Digital copy/and hard copy: £115.00.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccination. If you are a Brent resident, 30 years and above and, would like a first dose Pfizer vaccine please call 03000 339950 between 9:00am and 4:00pm to book an appointment. Anyone who had a first Pfizer vaccine at least 9 weeks ago can also book their 2nd vaccine on the same phone number between the same hours. You will need to present your NHS number and date of birth.

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.

First Holy Communion Children. Reminder: we meet IN CHURCH on Monday 7th June at 5:30pm until 6:30pm to learn all about the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). Parents meeting is in church on Tuesday 8th June at 6pm. Father Mark will give information on the First Communion Masses and answer your questions.

Three Charities Collection. Thank you for your generous donations to the Three Charites which raised £1130.85. This means £376.95 will be donated to Aid to the Church in Need, Macmillan Cancer Support and the Nehemiah Project respectively.

Fr Mark is to receive a new appointment in September. (His new parish is to be confirmed). Thank you to Fr Mark for all that he has done in our parish. He has given generously of his time and energy in many ways, but especially in the catechesis of the First Holy Communion and the RCIA programme. Fr Allan Alvarado Gil is appointed here from September.

Diocesan News

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for June: Evangelisation - The Beauty of Marriage: Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community; may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

Catholic History Walks June 2021. Friday 11 June— Across London Bridge with its stories of Viking battles, to the birthplace of St John Henry Newman in the City. Thursday 17 June— Walk in the footsteps of St Thomas More. Sunday 27 June— The Martyrs Walk 2021. This is a special walk organised with the international charity Aid to the Church in Need, praying for religious freedom worldwide. Tuesday 29 June— Walk to Whitehall and Trafalgar Square. All are welcome. A £5 donation is suggested for each walk. For more information visit the website at: <https://www.catholichistorywalks.com/> or email: chwalkslondon@gmail.com

The Art of Dying Well—How to Have a Happy Death is an online roundtable event for the Year of St Joseph organized by the Agency for Evangelisation, St Joseph's Hospice, and The Art of Dying Well on Thursday 17 June from 7:00pm— 8:30pm. To book a place visit: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/how-to-have-a-happy-death-tickets-151066374593>.

Rediscover Your Marriage – Retrouvaille simply means 'rediscovery'. The programme offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. Tens of thousands headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the programme commencing with a 'Virtual' weekend on 1—4 July 2021 please telephone or text 07887 296 983 or 07973 380 443, or email retrovailleukinfo@gmail.com - or visit the website at : www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Right To Life UK ."This week we marked the International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression. Let us remember especially the most vulnerable of all children, the unborn. We pray that as a society we would take on the duty to protect all children from harm, and ensure that they arrive into a world where they are loved and supported by all. Lord hear us"

Ask your MP to sign a Parliamentary motion to stop 'DIY' abortion

Carla Lockhart MP has launched a parliamentary motion calling on the Government to end 'DIY' home abortion. It is therefore vital that as many MPs as possible sign Carla Lockhart's motion to send a clear message to the Government that they must end dangerous 'DIY' home abortion services as soon as possible. Right To Life UK has launched an easy-to-use tool which makes it simple for you to send an email to your MP asking them to sign the motion. Please click the link below to contact your MP now. It only takes 30 seconds!

www.righttolife.org.uk/DIYmotion