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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: 10:00am—10:30am 5:30pm— 6:15pm



ST MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

OCTOBER—MONTH OF
THE HOLY ROSARY
24 OCTOBER 2021
30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

What do you want me to do for you?

Hi, Fr Allan. It is good to be back!!! Thank you for the prayers and all the support after the passing of my mother to heaven.

A small meditation for Sunday:

Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, the son of Timaeus, began to cry out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"... Jesus stopped and said, "Call him."... And Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" And the blind man said to him, "Master, let me receive my sight." (Mk 10: 46-52)

Meditation: Have you ever encountered a once in a life-time opportunity you knew you could not pass up? Such a moment came for a blind and destitute man, named Bartimaeus. He was determined to get near the one person who could meet his need. He knew who Jesus was and had heard of his fame for healing, but until now had no opportunity of making direct contact with the *Son of David*, a clear reference and title for the Messiah.

Why did Jesus put a question to Bartimaeus - "What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus wanted to draw out of him a personal response of faith and trust in his power to heal and make whole. Jesus commends Bartimaeus for recognizing who he is with the *eyes of faith* and grants him physical sight as well. Do you recognize the Lord Jesus with "eyes of faith" as your merciful Lord and healer? Ask the Lord Jesus to strengthen your faith that you may draw near to him and receive his grace and mercy.

Fr Allan

Those who are sick: Tony Rowland, Bridie Higgins, Jimmy Creehan, Pat & Anne Barratt.

Those who have died recently: John Browne

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Joseph Flaherty, Eric, Ann & Stanley Lindford, Pam & Monica Morrow, Rose Glanton

Those Baptised:

Parish News

Collection of 10 October 2021 amounted to £ 1828.46 . Standing orders for September amounted to £3,630.00. Thank you.

Wrap up! We are advised to keep the church well ventilated, so the doors must remain open, even as it gets colder. Please do not close any doors or windows that have been left open. Extra layers are a good idea when attending Mass. Good ventilation, wearing masks, keeping the church clean and frequent handwashing, can help reduce the risk of spreading coronavirus.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation 2022. All children due to receive First Holy Communion (currently year three and above), and make their Confirmation (currently year nine and above), will need to obtain an application form, which will be available after all Sunday Masses again this weekend, from Monsignor Roger. Please note that Confirmation application forms will be given to candidates only. Fully completed forms must be returned with a copy of your child's Baptismal certificate, and donation of £40, by 12 noon on Thursday 11 November 2021. Please place your application form, together with the donation (if not paying online), in an envelope clearly marked 'First Holy Communion/Confirmation 2022', and your child's name, and post through the inner Presbytery door. Dates, times and venue of both First Holy Communion/Confirmation sessions and parent's meetings will be provided once all necessary arrangements have been confirmed.

We are also looking for volunteers to assist with both our First Holy Communion and Confirmation programmes.

Solemnity of All Saints is on Sunday 31 October 2021.

All Souls' Day will be celebrated on Tuesday 2 November 2021 with Masses at 9:30am and 6:00pm. During November four Masses a week will be said for the Holy Souls. Please write the names of your deceased relatives and friends on one of the sheets which can be found on the table at the back of the church, place the sheet in the envelope provided along with any offering you might like to make, and post it through the inner presbytery letterbox or give it to one of the clergy.

Children's Liturgy. "Our Children's Liturgy group recommences on Sunday 7 November during the 10:30am Mass. All children from Reception to Year 6 are welcome. Please note it is only for this age range. At the end of each session the children are normally given a piece of "home learning" to complete and return the following Sunday. This is to reinforce what they have learnt and if parents could please talk to their child/children about what they have been doing, this also strengthens the knowledge of their faith. Looking forward to seeing the children again!" Mrs Chappet.

The Bi-Annual Concelebrated Requiem Mass at St Mary's Cemetery, Kensal Green NW10 5NU will take place on Monday 8 November 2021 at 11:30am.

Nursery, Infant, and Primary School Applications. The dates that Monsignor Roger will be signing the Certificate of Catholic Practice for these applications will be announced after half-term.

Convent of Jesus and Mary Catholic Infant School & Nursery.

Application forms for admission to Nursery and Reception September 2022 are available to download from the school website at: www.cjminfantschool.co.uk or to collect from the school office. Reception Open Day – 4 November at 3:30pm. Nursery Open Day – 11 November at 3:30pm. All welcome.

Mass of Remembrance/Bethany Group. There will be a Requiem Mass for all those whose funeral has taken place in the parish in the last two years. It will be on Thursday 11th November at 7.30pm. All are very welcome to come, especially those who have lost loved ones whose funeral took place in our church over the last two years.

Mass Intentions Week commencing 24 October 2021

| Saturday | 6:30pm | Pam & Monica Morrow | Anniv |
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| Sunday | 9:00am | Paul Hollowed | Ints |
| | 10:30am | Marie Ivy Emma Catherine | RIP |
| | 12:00pm | Vincent Harty | RIP |
| | 6:30pm | Joseph Luc Antoine Catherine | Ints |
| Monday | 9:30am | Private Intention | Ints |
| Tuesday | 9:30am | John Martin Kilcoyne | RIP |
| Wednesday | 9:30am | Mona Wood | RIP |
| Thursday | 9:30am | Joseph Flaherty | Anniv |
| Friday | 9:30am | Eric, Ann & Stanley Lindford | Anniv |
| Saturday | 9:30am | Yves Montaigue | Ints |

Diocesan News

World Mission Sunday. This year, World Mission Sunday, celebrated today Sunday 24 October, has as its theme 'We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard' (Acts 4:20). This day is an opportunity for the Church to unite in prayer for its missionary activity, and collect funds to support Catholic communities around the world living in poverty and deprivation. For more information, please visit www.missio.org.uk/wms.

Diocesan Mass following the Pandemic takes place on 7 November at 5:30pm. Bishop John Sherrington will celebrate Mass at Westminster Cathedral, for all those who have died during the pandemic, all who mourn them, all who have been bereaved or traumatised, those who were ill and those who cared for them, including all in the medical profession and care workers. All are welcome to this Mass, especially doctors, nurses, care workers and all health care professionals.

Catholic Teachers Online Event .The Diocese of Westminster Education Service is hosting an evening to engage with Catholic teachers and leaders currently working outside Catholic education on 23 November from 6:00—7:30pm. It will provide information about how best to prepare for a role in a Catholic school and an opportunity to meet with current Catholic school leaders. To book, scan the QR code on poster at the back of the church or visit https://courses.rcdow.org.uk/event/calling-all-catholic-teachers-event-23rd-november-2021/