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Tuesday—Friday
10:00am—2:00pm

Mass Times

Saturday 6:30pm (Vigil Mass of
Sunday)

Sunday: 9:00am, 10:30am (includes
Children's Liturgy), 12noon & 6:30pm

Monday—Friday: 9:30am

Saturday: 9:30am & 6:30pm

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**
**FEBRUARY—MONTH OF
THE HOLY FAMILY**
6 FEBRUARY 2022
5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR C

They left everything and followed him

“When he had finished speaking he said to Simon, ‘Put out into deep water and pay out your nets for a catch.’ ‘Master,’ Simon replied, ‘we worked hard all night long and caught nothing, but if you say so, I will pay out the nets.’ And when they had done this they netted such a huge number of fish that their nets began to tear, so they signalled to their companions in the other boat to come and help them; when these came, they filled the two boats to sinking point”.
(Lk 5:1-11)

Why did Jesus perform the miracle of the great catch of fish? No doubt the great crowd of people who had pressed upon Jesus had something to do with this miracle. They were very hungry for God and were eager to hear his word. Jesus wanted to use this occasion to teach his disciples an important lesson. Although Simon was wearied from a night of fruitless toil, he nonetheless did what the Lord Jesus told him to do: At your word I will let down the nets. When you meet disappointment and failure, do you press upon the Lord, like Simon, to hear his word and to receive his command?

Witness the joy of the Gospel. God chooses ordinary people, like you and me, as his ambassadors and he uses the ordinary circumstances of our daily lives and work situations to draw others into his kingdom. Jesus speaks the same message to us today: we will "catch people" for the kingdom of God if we allow the light of Jesus Christ to shine through us. God wants others to see the light of Christ in us in the way we live, speak, and witness the joy of the Gospel. Paul the Apostle says, "But thanks be to God, who in Christ Jesus always leads us in triumph, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere. For we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing" (2 Corinthians 2:15).

Do you witness to those around you the joy of the Gospel and do you pray for your neighbours, co-workers, and relatives that they may come to know the Lord Jesus Christ and grow in the knowledge of his love and truth?

Fr Allan

Those who are sick: Jim Feeney, Gareth Hayes, Tony Rowland

Those who have died recently: Monique Muhammadi, Sean O'Sullivan

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Bridget McNulty, Maureen Jarmulowicz, Noel Atkins, Francis Benoit, Lucita Benoit, Pamela Conway

Parish News

Collection 16 January 2022 amounted to £1,416.41. Standing orders for December amounted to £3,980.00. Thank you so much for your generosity.

Guidance for Churches, end of 'Plan B' Since the 27 January 2022 Plan B measures have been lifted in England. The Government has updated its guidance for the safe use of places of worship. The following are the key points:

- Those attending an act of worship may continue to wear a face covering (both nose and mouth) whilst in the church building.
- It is still good practice to sanitise hands on entry and exit of churches.
- Churches should continue to ensure there is good ventilation.

Regarding the liturgical action, there should be a return to the normal mode of celebrating Mass respecting the integrity of the Rite.

- This would include the reintroduction of the Prayer of the Faithful (where this has not been reinstated already);
- The *Sign of Peace* may be offered again.
- For the time being, Holy Communion must continue to be given under one kind only (the Sacred Host).
- Congregational singing may continue and there is a general encouragement to wear face coverings while singing.

Whilst this reduction of restrictions brings about a more normal way of living, the Covid-19 virus is still in circulation, and this should be in the mind of those participating in the life of the Church. As time goes forward we would need to balance the need for personal safety and taking responsibility for that safety.

This is the link to the official document: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/covid-guidance-collective-worship/>

Baptism Certificates. Should anyone require a replacement baptismal certificate, email: willesdengreen@rcdow.org.uk. For GDPR purposes, please attach proof of your identification i.e. Passport/Drivers License. Thank you.

Newsletter. All notices for the Sunday newsletter should be emailed to the Parish Office no later than Wednesdays 12 noon. Thank you for your cooperation.

Parish Diary

Sunday 6 February	6:30pm Mass	Confirmation— Session 4 in church
Monday 7 February	5:30pm— 6:30pm	First Holy Communion— Session 4 in St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Junior School

Diocesan News

Pope's Prayer Intention for February 2022. For religious sisters and consecrated women: We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women, thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

Be ready to help stop assisted suicide amendment. *Right To Life UK* has had a challenging and busy month, with the assisted suicide lobby attempting to hijack the Government's Health and Care Bill and force them to lay an assisted suicide bill before Parliament within a year of the Bill passing into law. The Health and Care Bill will shortly move onto Report Stage where there is a high risk that Lord Forsyth will retable his amendment. As such, *Right To Life UK* is asking parishioners to sign up to their Action Alerts, so they can effectively participate in their efforts to stop this amendment passing, and others like it. You can do so by visiting: www.righttolife.org.uk/#action-alerts

New Year's Resolution – Volunteer for CAFOD. A vital aspect of church is people being willing to share their talents, experience and energy. Could your New Year's resolution be volunteering for CAFOD? CAFOD have lots of different ways you can get involved such as: **In the parish** - where you will be highlighting CAFOD's work to support communities globally who are living with injustices and in poverty. **In local schools** – where you'll deliver assemblies and workshops about CAFOD's work. No experience necessary. Full support, resources and regular training is provided. DBS Check and references would be a part of application. **Coordinating volunteers** - to help support, encourage and bring together a small group of volunteers. If you'd like to know more, please get in touch with Tony by emailing at: tsheen@cafod.org.uk.

Right To Life UK. "We pray for all women going through unexpected pregnancies, that they would experience peace and support in their situations, and enjoy the many blessings that motherhood brings. Lord hear us".

Mass Intentions

Week commencing 6 February 2022

Saturday	6:30pm	Helen Langan	RIP
Sunday	9:00am	Michael Brady	RIP
	10:30am	Eileen Quinn	RIP
	12 noon	Bridget McNulty	Anniv
Monday	6:30pm	People of the Parish	
	9:30am	Anne & Harry Manning	RIP
Tuesday	9:30am	Elizabeth & Charles Goldsmith	RIP
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Wednesday	9:30am	Ada & John Brown	RIP
Thursday	9:30am	Han Kennedy	RIP
Friday	9:30am	Silvio Andrade	RIP
Saturday	9:30am	Tadghe Costello	RIP
	6:30pm	Helen Langan	RIP