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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 APRIL—MONTH OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST 24 APRIL 2022 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR C

Happy Are Those Who Have Not Seen And Yet Believe

It is one of the great privileges of the priest to go to a house where someone has just died and pray with them and with those who have just been bereaved. Most often, the person who has just died is still lying in their bed, surrounded by their tablets, medicines and often some holy pictures. The person usually looks very calm, and almost as if they are asleep, but there is no doubt that they have died: they are so still.

No wonder that Thomas found it hard to believe that Jesus Christ had risen from the dead. He had probably seen several people who had died, and he knew how final this appears. He felt left out from the amazing experience which the other disciples had gone through. Like many others, maybe he had just wanted to be alone after his friend had died — his grief separating him from his friends. Perhaps he is jealous or hurt because they had seen something special when he was absent. You can imagine him saying, almost angrily, that he will only believe if he can put his finger into the wounds of Jesus. Like many of us, he knows what death looks like.

A week later, Thomas is given just this opportunity. It is beautiful to see that Jesus meets Thomas and accepts him just as he is – no scolding from Jesus about Thomas' lack of faith. He responds to Thomas cry even though this comes from a lack of trust.

There is so much here to reassure you and me. We may sometimes be jealous of others' faith when ours seems weak; we may think God is cross with us when we doubt his goodness; we may worry about loved ones who doubt God's goodness.

Thanks be to God for the doubts of Thomas, so that our faith may be built upon these doubts which called forth this beautiful encounter between doubt and faith, between Thomas and Jesus, between us and the God of love.

Monsignor Roger

Those who are sick: Jim Feeney, Eddie Ginnelly, Yamba Yamba Family

Those who have died recently: Sharon Harte, Ann McMahon, Michael Sills, Michelle Maddix, Cornelia Henshaw

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Molly Ayres, James Varley, Patrick Killian, Gladys & Patrick McGowan

Parish News

Collection 3 April 2022 amounted to £ 1,428.09. Standing orders for March amounted to £3,975.00. Thank you.

Thank You. 'Mgr. Roger, Fr Allan and Fr Ruwan would like to thank you all for your kindness to us in so many ways over Easter, and assure you of our prayers for you and your families.'

Parish Diary

Monday 25 April 6:00pm-7:00pm Confirmation—Session 6 at The Church of the Transfiguration, Kensal Rise



Divine Mercy Sunday - St. Faustina's Prayer for Sinners

O Jesus, eternal Truth, our Life, I call upon You and I beg Your mercy for poor sinners. O sweetest Heart of my Lord, full of pity and unfathomable mercy, I plead with You for poor sinners. O Most Sacred Heart, Fount of Mercy from which gush forth rays of inconceivable graces upon the

entire human race, I beg of You light for poor sinners. O Jesus, be mindful of Your own bitter Passion and do not permit the loss of souls redeemed at so dear a price of Your most precious Blood. O Jesus, when I consider the great price of Your Blood, I rejoice at its immensity, for one drop alone would have been enough for the salvation of all sinners. Although sin is an abyss of wickedness and in gratitude, the price paid for us can never be equalled. Therefore, let every soul trust in the Passion of the Lord, and place its hope in His mercy. God will not deny His mercy to anyone. Heaven and earth may change, but God's mercy will never be exhausted. Oh, what immense joy burns in my heart when I contemplate Your incomprehensible goodness, O Jesus! I desire to bring all sinners to Your feet that they may glorify Your mercy throughout endless ages (Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska, 72).

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You!

Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world. For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Diocesan News

Mass for Migrants at Westminster Cathedral. Bishop Michael Campbell OSA will celebrate the Mass for Migrants on Monday 2 May at Westminster Cathedral for the feast of St Joseph the Worker, with ethnic chaplaincies and communities around London. The Mass will begin at 2:30pm, with a banner procession from 2:00pm. All are welcome.

Love Heals Body Mind and Spirit Ministry welcome you to come to a day Retreat of quiet Reflection on Saturday 7 May, 11:00am – 4:30pm at The Catholic Church of our Lady of Assumption & St Gregory Warwick Street, Piccadilly, W1F 9JR. Rosary, Holy Mass in the Extraordinary Form (Celebrant Priest: Father Mark Elliott Smith). Please bring your own Lunch - Tea and Coffee available. For more details please telephone Eileen and David Brum on 020 8542 2476 email: lovehealsbodymindspirit@gmail.com Website: www.lovehealsbodymindspirit.com.

May Procession at the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden, Nicoll Road, NW10 9AX. Sunday 8 May at 3:00pm. Preacher, Most Rev Kenneth Nowakowski; Eparch of the Holy Family of London (Ukranian Catholic Church), who will be accompanied by the Icon of the Mother of Protection- Pokrova. Come and join the praying of the Rosary for asking the prayers of the Black Madonna of Willesden for the protection of London, and for Peace and Restoration in Ukraine. Bakerloo Line and Tube, Willesden Junction Station (Old Oak Lane exit), Buses 18, 187, 206, 226, 228, 260, 487.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Cardinal Vincent will be leading the annual diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes from 22 to 29 July 2022. For details and to book please telephone 01732 886 666 or visit www.tangney-tours.com/westminster

Catholic Listeners Telephone Helpline. Catholic Listeners;
Diocese of Westminster, a new confidential listening helpline
launching this month, has been set up for those who are
returning to the faith. The number is 0800 448 0704. This service
is based on the Landings ethos of compassionate listening.
Although not a counselling service, they have a professional
team trained on signposting to other services and agencies. They
aim to help those in need of a safe space to talk. For further
information please contact Ade at catholiclisteners@gmail.com

Mass Intentions Week commencing 24 April 2022

Saturday	6:30pm	Mary D'Souza	RIP
Sunday	9:00am	Molly Ayres	Anniv
	10:30am	People of the Parish	
	12 noon	Alison Hansberry	Ints
	6:30pm	Hanna O'Connor	RIP
Monday	9:30am	Lena D'arcy	RIP
Tuesday	9:30am	Francisco & Maria Dias	Ints
		(30th Wedding Ar	nniversary)
Wednesday	9:30am	Patrick Killian	Anniv
Thursday	9:30am	Patricia Godger	Ints
Friday	9:30am	Joy & Ray Rice	Ints
Saturday	9:30am	Kevin Murphy	Ints