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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

Eucharistic Adoration

Weekdays and Saturday: One hour before morning Mass

Confession

Saturdays: 10:00am—10:30am 5:30pm— 6:15pm

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ST MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH JUNE—MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS 19 JUNE 2022 CORPUS CHRISTI - YEAR C

The Feeding of the Five Thousand

Meditation: Do you hunger for God and for the abundant life he offers you through Jesus Christ? Jesus' feeding of the five thousand is the only miracle recorded in all four Gospels. What is the significance of this miracle? The miraculous feeding of such a great multitude pointed to God's provision of manna (bread) in the wilderness for the people of Israel under Moses' eadership. When the people complained to Moses that they would die of hunger in the barren wilderness, God told Moses that he would "rain bread from heaven" for them to eat (Exodus 16:4,11-12). The miraculous provision of bread foreshadows the true heavenly bread which Jesus offers his followers who believe in him. Jesus makes a claim only God can make: He is the "bread of life" (John 6:35) and the "true bread of heaven" that sustains us now and for all eternity (John 6:58).

A sign of God's great generosity and goodness towards us

Jesus' feeding of the five thousand is a sign of God's generous care and provision for his people. When God gives, he gives abundantly. He gives more than we need for ourselves so that we may have something to share with others, especially those in need. God takes the little we have and multiplies it for the good of others. Do you trust in God's provision for you and do you share freely with others, especially those who lack what they need?

"The food that makes us live for ever in Jesus Christ"

When we receive from the Lord's table we unite ourselves to Jesus Christ, who makes us sharers in his body and blood. Ignatius of Antioch (35-107 A.D.) calls it the "one bread that provides the medicine of immortality, the antidote for death, and the food that makes us live for ever in Jesus Christ" (Ad Eph. 20,2). This supernatural food is healing for both body and soul and strength for our journey heavenward.

When you approach the Table of the Lord, what do you expect to receive? Healing, pardon, comfort, and rest for your soul? The Lord has much more for us, more than we can ask or imagine. The principal fruit of receiving the Eucharist is an intimate union with Christ. As bodily nourishment restores lost strength, so the Eucharist strengthens us in charity and enables us to break with disordered attachments to creatures and to be more firmly rooted in the love of Christ. Do you hunger for the "bread of life"?

Fr Allan

Those who are sick: Jim Feeney, Pat Ryan

Those who have died recently: Eddie Ginnelly, Maria Williams, Estelita Palado Hughes

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Vincent Harty, Eileen Costello

Parish News

Collection 29 May 2022 amounted to £1,607.80. Standing orders for May amounted to £3,864.00. Thank you for your generosity.

Solemnity of Corpus Christi. There will be a procession of the Blessed Sacrament after the 12 noon Mass today Sunday 19 June, the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, from the church to the Grotto of Our Lady outside the church. We invite all the children who made their First Holy Communion this year to participate in the Blessed Sacrament procession and to attend in their First Holy Communion outfits to give thanks.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers. New rotas have now been emailed to you. Should you require a paper copy please contact the Parish Office.

Volunteer Sought: We are looking for a Justice and Peace Parish Contact to provide a link between our parish and the Westminster Justice & Peace Commission, which is an agency of the Diocese, overseen by Bishop Nicholas Hudson. The main task of the contact person is to receive the monthly E-Bulletin and, where possible, promote events and actions for peace and justice within the parish. A role description can be found here: https://westminsterjusticeandpeace.org/parish-contacts/. Possible areas that might be covered under 'Justice & Peace' include: climate justice and the environment, racial justice, housing and homelessness, refugees and migrants, human rights, international development, beginning and end of life, poverty and unemployment, work and benefits, Fairtrade, ethical investment, equality and diversity, Israel-Palestine, ending the arms trade, nuclear disarmament and promoting peace, as well as the theology and spirituality of peace and justice. You are invited to consider becoming our Parish Contact for Justice and Peace if you have an interest in one or more of these areas. Please contact The Parish Office.

Peter's Pence. The annual Peter's Pence collection takes place next weekend Sunday 26 June. The proceeds of the collection are used to assist the Holy Father in his work.

Convent of Jesus & Mary Catholic Infant School Summer Fair

takes place on Saturday 2 July between 12noon and 3:00pm. There will be a Bottle Tombola, barbecue, bar, raffle, school choir and much much more! We hope to see you all there!

Gift Aid. Could we please ask that you inform the Parish Office if your tax status has changed since you completed a *Gift Aid* declaration as we are only allowed to claim *Gift Aid* for current tax payers. Also, if you are now in a position to *Gift Aid* your donations please email/telephone the Parish Office and we will forward you the relevant form to complete. This is a valuable contribution to our parish finances.

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.

Funeral

The Cremation Service of the late Maria Williams will take place on Tuesday 21 June 2022 at West London Crematorium at 1:00pm

May she Rest in Peace

Mass Intentions Week commencing 19 June 2022

Saturday	6:30pm	Michael O'Beirne	RIP
Sunday	9:00am	Justin Osuji	Ints
	10:30am	Margaret Wales	RIP
	12 noon	Eileen Costello	Anniv
	6:30pm	People of the Parish	Ints
Monday	9:30am	Esteve Fernandes	RIP
Tuesday	9:30am	John Fernandes	RIP
Wednesday	9:30am	Anthony Fernandes	RIP
Thursday	9:30am	Peter Fernandes	RIP
Friday	9:30am	Pioneers Assoc of Willesden Gre	en
Saturday	9:30am	Bellara & Maria Fernandes	RIP
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Father's Day Prayer

Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son Jesus, the child of Mary, to the care of Joseph, an earthly father. Bless all fathers as they care for their families.

Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience; support them in the work they have to do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to you for love and salvation, through Jesus Christ our rock and defender.

> Amen (author unknown)

Diocesan News

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for June 2022. For families: We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

Day for Life. The Day for Life occurs on the weekend of the 18/19 June. This year's theme is the Care of the Elderly. The collection for the *Day for Life* is used to assist the work of promoting the Church's teaching on the dignity of human life through the support of national organisations and groups working in this field. More information is available at: <u>https://rcdow.org.uk/news/day-for-life-2022/</u>

Right To Life UK. "As we celebrate Father's day, we pray for all fathers who are expecting a child. That they would find peace in their changing circumstance, and would be a source of support for the child's mother as they prepare for their child to enter the world. Lord hear us"