

## Presbytery

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**ST MARY MAGDALEN  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
JULY—MONTH OF  
**THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS**  
17 JULY 2022  
16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
YEAR C

## BOTH MARTHA AND MARY.

It was so good in both the parishes of Willesden Green and Kensal Rise that we have been able to enjoy two wonderful social events. In Kensal Rise there was the recent lunch' and get together for the Justice and Peace group – apart from the wonderful food, maybe the highlight was Fr Allan having his face painted. In Willesden Green there was the parish lunch' for the Jubilee – it was so good to be able to go on a world culinary tour without the hassle of the airport, and to see the young ones enjoying their crowns. In both parishes a small teams of parishioners worked very hard so that we might all of us have a great time – and our thanks are due to them.

Maybe the teams in both parishes can identify with Martha in our gospel today. Jesus comes to a village where he meets up with some friends, Martha and Mary. I think we can assume that Martha was a little overwhelmed by this man (and I suspect some of his followers) coming into her house. There is simply too much for Martha to do, and maybe she felt that Mary was not pulling her weight. Anyone who has worked as part of a team (or even of a family at, say, Christmas) knows how angry you can become if someone who should be working is just sitting around, doing nothing.

But the point of the gospel is that Mary is not doing nothing. And we need to learn sometimes that frenetic activity can sometimes be an excuse not to listen, not to treat with respect, not to understand. If you actually do listen to somebody, as Mary did with Jesus, this can be very hard work. To listen to someone who is ill; to someone who is lonely; to someone who may bore you into the ground. We can avoid all of that by cooking, by washing up, by cleaning. And sometimes when we pray we can be so busy counting the beads, or choosing the reading we cannot hear God.

There's always a lot to do in a family and in a parish – and it's very important for the life of both. But, in a busy life, try to make time actively to listen to others, and to listen to God.

Monsignor Roger.

## 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

## Church of the Transfiguration Kensal Rise Parish - Contact Details

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**Those who are sick:** Jim Feeney, Pat Ryan, Mossie Joy

**Those who have died recently:** Evelyn Benton

**Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Mary & Dan  
O'Sullivan, Aleksandra & Kazimierz Markul, Leon Hufana, Esmenia  
Hufana

## Parish News

**Collection 3 July 2022** amounted to £1,472.39. Standing orders for June amounted to £3,495.00. Thank you.

**Cash Counters.** We need volunteers to help count the Sunday Cash collections. 'On the job' training will be provided. If you can help with this very important Ministry please contact the Parish Office or speak with Monsignor Roger.

**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/>. You are invited to consider becoming our Parish Contact for Justice and Peace if you have an interest. Please contact the Parish Office.

**St Mary Magdalen Wednesday Club** have organised a day trip to Brighton Beach on Thursday, 11 August 2022. Pick Up and Drop Off at Mary Magdalen Catholic Church, Peter Avenue at 8:45am and 7:00pm respectively. Adults: £10 per head. Children under 10: £5. If interested, please contact Gillian Horrell. Telephone: 07535 449 893. Email: [pamgillstan@hotmail.com](mailto:pamgillstan@hotmail.com). Limited spaces remaining. Book early to avoid disappointment.

**Parish Newsletter.** All notices for the weekly Sunday Parish newsletter should be received no later than 12 noon on Wednesdays. Thank you for your cooperation.

A paper copy of the newsletter is available for you to **TAKE HOME** after Mass, and share with family and friends. It can also be downloaded or viewed online at: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/willesdengreen/parish-newsletters-2022/>

## Accepting Contactless Donations

You will find our DIGITAL COLLECTION PLATE, contactless terminal at the back entrance of the church. Just use your contactless debit/credit card or smart phone/ device to make a donation.



Simply choose the amount you wish to donate and hold your card onto the reader. You can also opt-in for Gift Aid to increase your donation by 25%. If you are a UK taxpayer then donating with Gift Aid means that we can claim an extra 25p for every £1 received.

Contactless donations are simple to administer, secure and convenient.

## Mass Intentions Week commencing 17 July 2022

Saturday	6:30pm	Tom Creed & Tommy McHugh	RIP
Sunday	9:00am	Mary & Dan O'Sullivan	Anniv
	10:30am	Eileen Keohan	RIP
	12 noon	People of the Parish	Ints
	6:30pm	Jackie Clifford	Ints
Monday	9:30am	Michael Brady	RIP
Tuesday	9:30am	Pat Donovan	RIP
Wednesday	9:30am	Carmel Hollowed	Ints
Thursday	9:30am	Paul Cunningham	RIP
Friday	9:30am	Adaline De Sousa	Ints
Saturday	9:30am	Eileen O'Brien	RIP

## Diocesan News

**The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for July 2022. For the elderly:** We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

**World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.** Pope Francis has designated next Sunday 24 July, as the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. We are encouraged to visit the elderly who are most alone at home or in the residences where they are guests. The Holy Father's message, his catechesis on the theme of old age and the official prayer for the day are available at: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2021-07/world-day-grandparents-elderly-pope-prayer-released-dicastery-la.html>

**CAFOD** - Will You take the first Step? CAFOD's Gap year programme, Step into the Gap, is a great opportunity for Young Adults aged between 18-30 to immerse themselves in interactive experiences, develop leadership skills while exploring their faith, and meeting new people. This is a chance to reflect on your role in global society while spending a year inspiring other to act for the poor and most marginalised. Based in the UK in a retreat centre or Catholic Secondary school with accommodation, travel and stipend included. Take the first step and find out more information and how to apply for September 2022 go to: <https://cafod.org.uk/Education/For-young-people/CAFOD-Gap-year>

**New Catholic Students** .The University Chaplaincy is appealing to any parishioners who will be students at any of the London universities and colleges, or University of Hertfordshire, this coming year. Based at Newman House, Gower Street, they also have campus-based chaplains at many of the universities and colleges. For any students other than freshers there is also an opportunity to live in at Newman House, a catered lodging with attractive rates and its own chapel. The application form is available on the Chaplaincy website: [www.universitycatholic.net](http://www.universitycatholic.net)

**Right To Life UK.** "We pray for all expectant mothers. We pray for an overwhelming sense of hope and joy to fill their lives, and for increased support to be given by their family, friends and local communities, as the journey through this life changing experience. Lord hear us"